Mastering GEDPrep ConnectTM and Other Resources for Educators

Brian Smith, July 2018



Agenda

- Background on GEDPrep™ Connect
- Best practices for using GEDPrep™ Connect
- Accessing and using GED Manager
- Free resources
- New Products



GEDPrep Connect

Background, accessing students and connecting to new students





Background

- Increase awareness of Adult Education programs with GED® candidates
- Connect more students with programs to drive completion and success rates
- Promote programs through GED.com
- Improve Adult Education programs' access and management of student information



You told us ...

- Students need more opportunities to find local adult education programs through the GED.com experience
- You want better student reporting and management tools
- You want to reach out to students that express interest in your programs through GED.com
- Share My Scores needs more visibility as an option for students
- Students need reminders about adult education throughout their journey



Students told us...

34% of GED students are studying in a class

28% are unaware of GED Prep programs or don't know how to find them

67% would like to learn about GED Prep programs in their area

63% believe GED Prep programs can help them pass the test 76% are likely or very likely to share their scores with their program

Highest % of students reference GED Test Prep Program



A variety of ways that students can share scores with your program

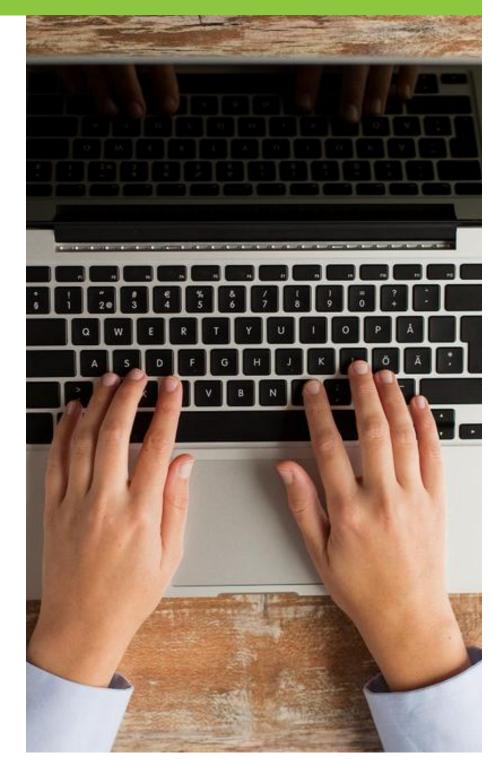
- At the time of creating their account on GED.com
- From their profile page
- From the scores page
- From their score report



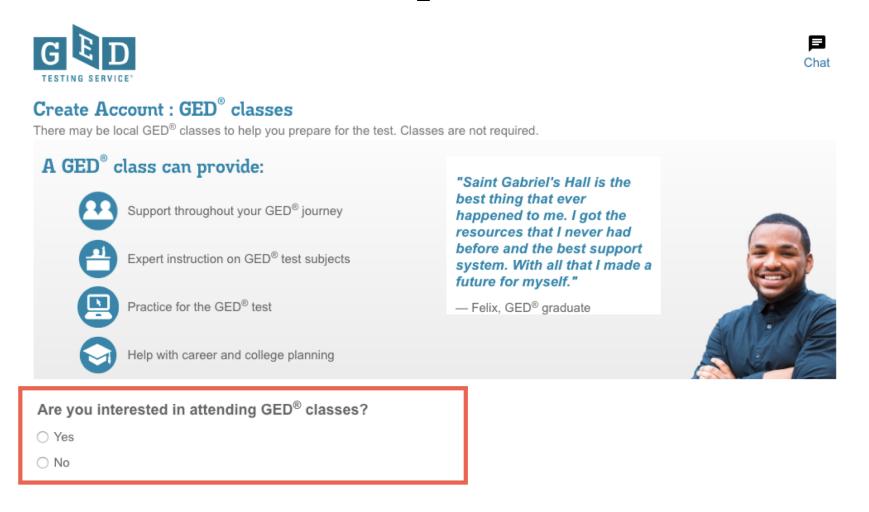
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At the time of GED.com Account Creation – student sees this question



Continue

Back



If yes, student is routed to GED Test Prep Center Selection page





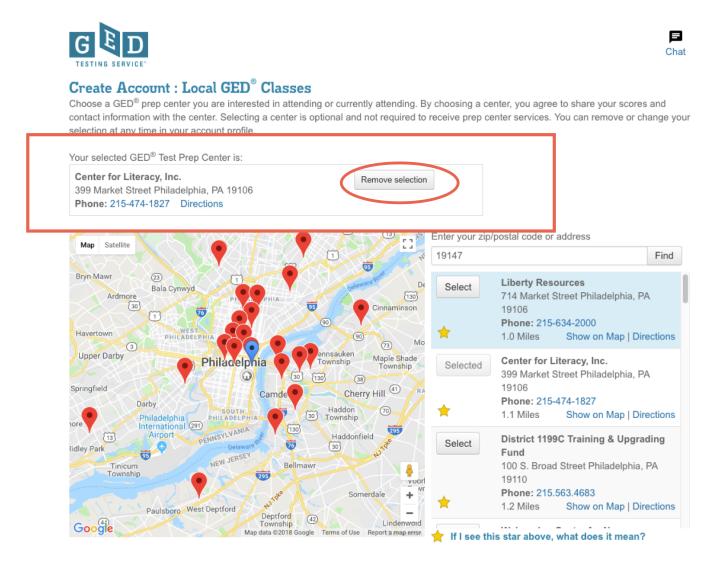
Create Account: Local GED® Classes

Choose a GED® prep center you are interested in attending or currently attending. By choosing a center, you agree to share your scores and contact information with the center. Selecting a center is optional and not required to receive prep center services. You can remove or change your selection at any time in your account profile.

Not interested in GED® classes? Continue without choosing a GED® prep center. Enter your zip/postal code or address Map Satellite 19147 Find Bryn Mawr Liberty Resources Bala Cynwyd Select Ardmore (130) 714 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 (30 Cinnaminson Phone: 215-634-2000 1.0 Miles Show on Map | Directions PHILADELPH Havertown Center for Literacy, Inc. Select Upper Darby Maple Shade 399 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 Phone: 215-474-1827 Springfield Cherry Hill 41 1.1 Miles Show on Map | Directions Darby Haddon District 1199C Training & Upgrading (30) Philadelphia PHILADELPHIA Township Select International (291) PENNSYLVANIA Fund Haddonfield 100 S. Broad Street Philadelphia, PA (30) Ridley Park NEW JERSEY 19110 Bellmawr Tinicum Phone: 215.563.4683 Township 1.2 Miles Show on Map | Directions voor Somerdale Welcoming Center for New Paulsboro West Deptford Select Deptford Pennsylvanians (42) Google If I see this star above, what does it mean?



Once a program is selected, student has option to remove at any time





Selecting a program is optional; student may select a program later

- Student will be reminded throughout their GED journey to connect with a program
 - GED.com home page
 - Account profile
 - Study page
 - Scores page
 - Score report



GED.com Home Page – before log-in

All GED® candidates are encouraged to seek local help to study and pass the test

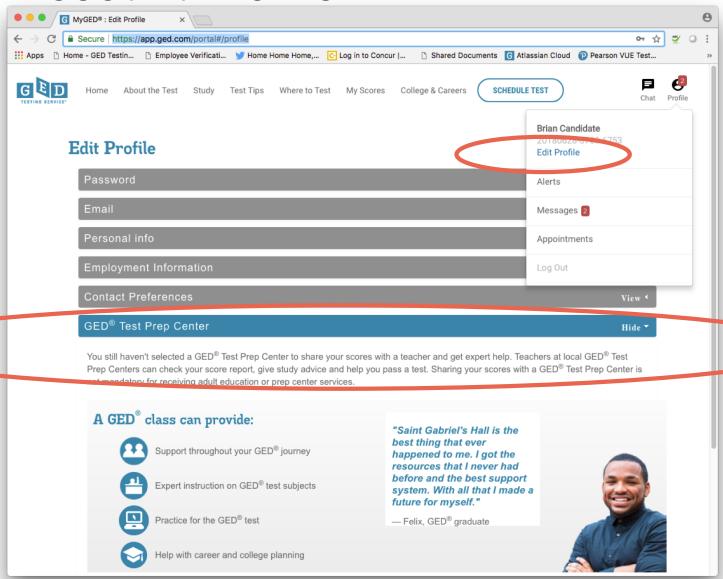
Home / Study / GED Classes

GED[®] Classes

Study at your own pace. Whether you prefer the experience of a traditional classroom or prefer to study remotely, we have you covered.

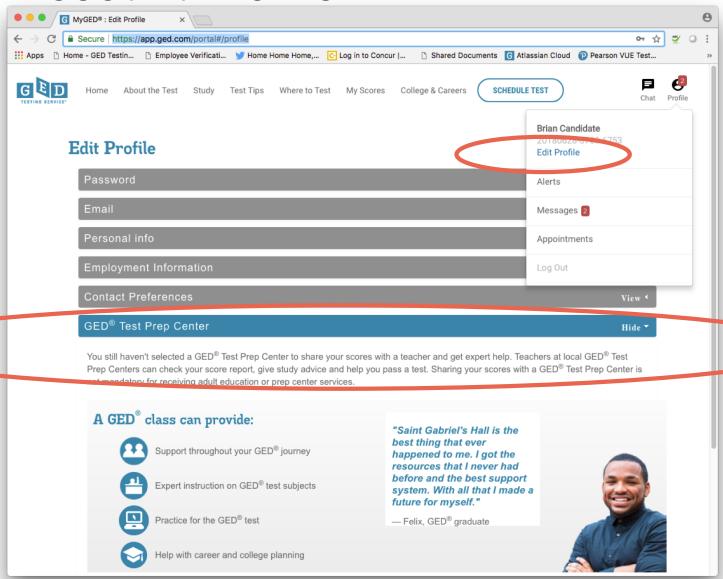


GED Account Profile





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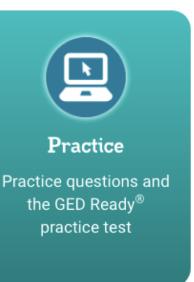


Study Page Reminder: Find GED Classes

Study

No matter how you like to learn, let us help you study for the GED® test.



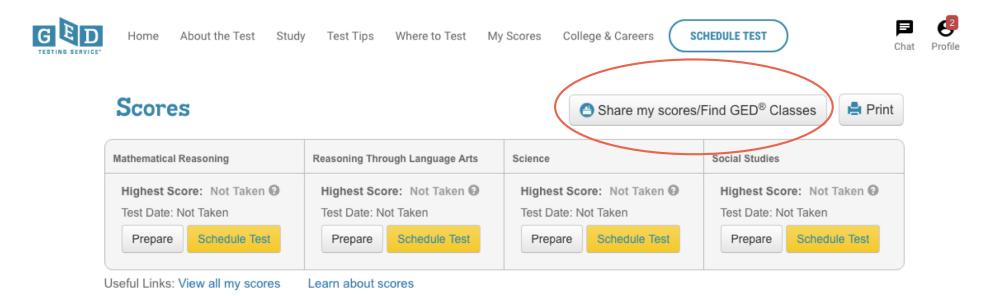








Share My Scores now easier to find on Scores page...



And on all of their Score Reports





Test-taker is not mandated to select an Adult Ed Center

- About 70% of test-takers do NOT access adult ed
- Students should be encouraged by their teacher to select their Adult Ed Center in GED.com to share their scores
- Several opportunities for selecting an Adult Ed Center are presented to the test-taker
- If a test-taker does NOT select an Adult Ed Center, scores will not be shared



GED Manager View for Adult Educators

Looking up students

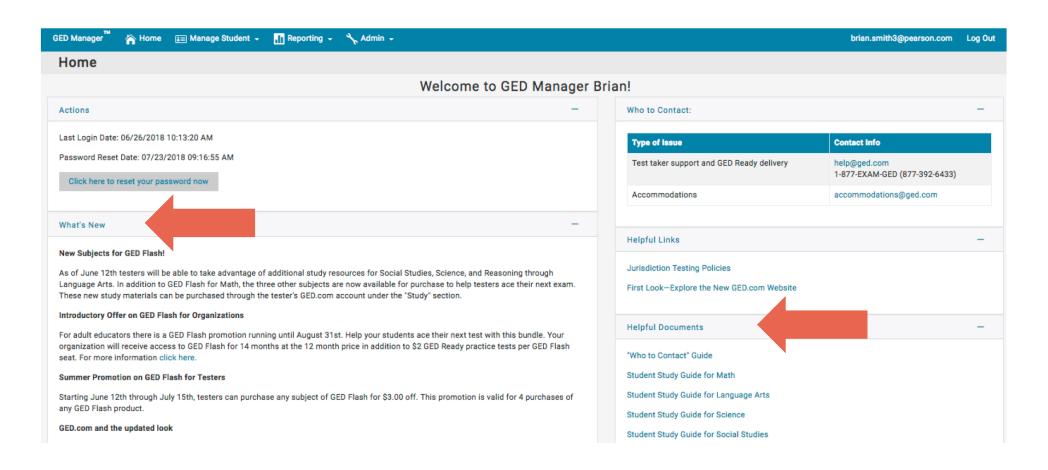
Managing enrollment

Running testing activity reports



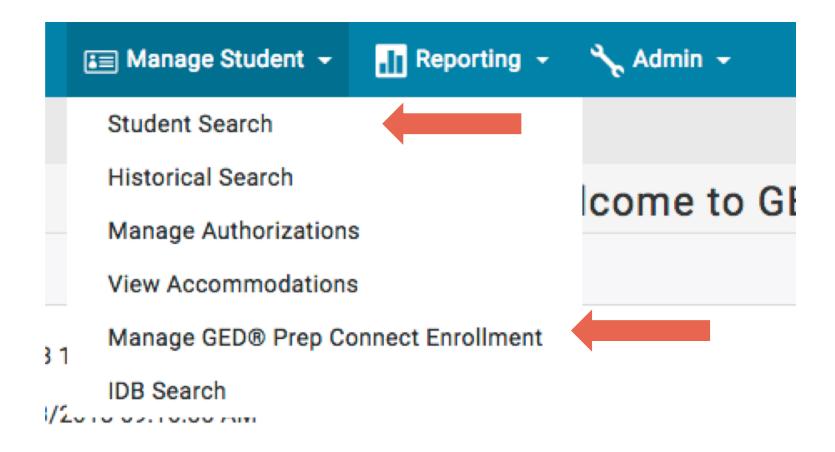


Adult Educator's home page





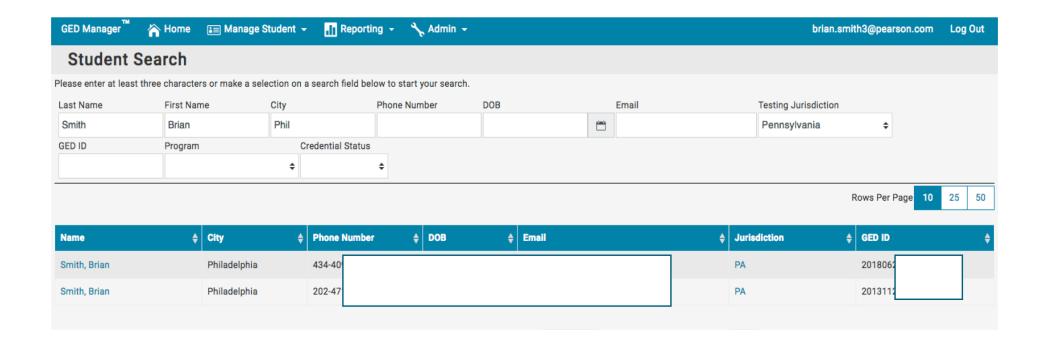
Manage Student Options





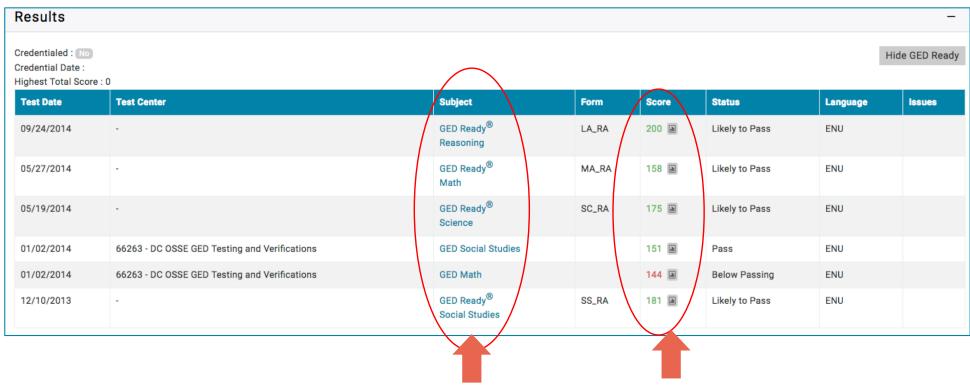
Manage Student → Student Search

- You can look up one student at a time if you need to find specific information
- When you click on the student's name, you find out additional details about his/her activity, including test scores and demographic information





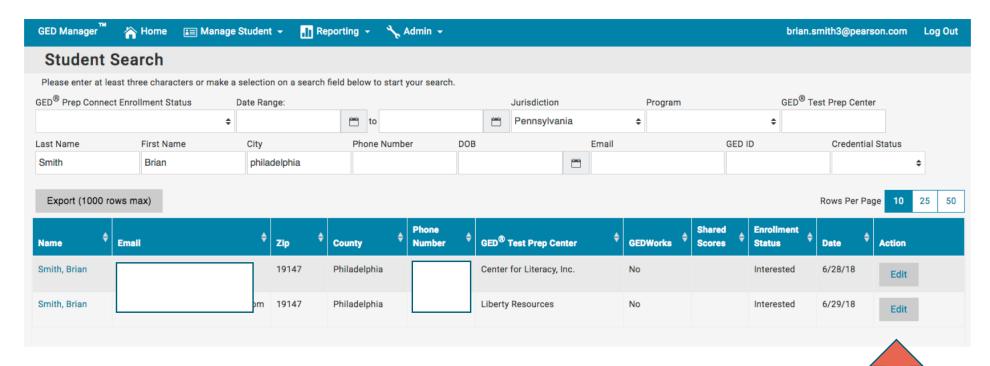
Student scores and score reports



Links to the detailed score report



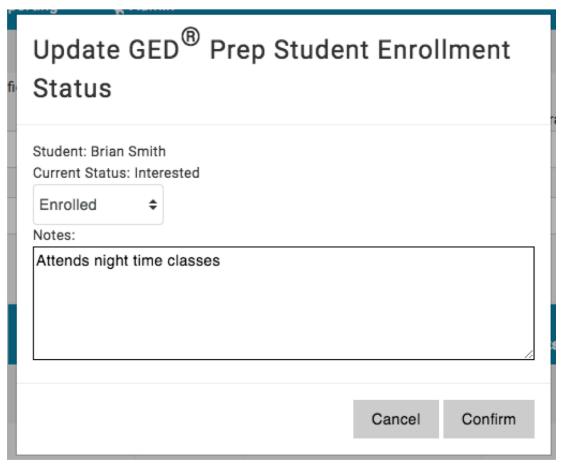
Manage Student → Manage GEDPrep Connect Enrollment



- Adult Educators can sort by one student or groups of students and export the results sorting by date, enrollment status or credential status
- Educators can edit the status of a student from 'Interested' to 'Contacted,' 'Dismissed," or 'Enrolled' and write notes about the students



Important to know who is an enrolled student vs. an interested student



Educators will also see students' information who are interested in a program but not currently enrolled

It is up to the adult education program to reach out to those students to get them to enroll

It makes running reports of your current students much easier



Tips for outreach to interested students

- Make sure you update the status of the students in your program
- Successful programs have teachers assigned to monitor GEDPrep Connect enrollment and reach out to Interested students
- Do not be afraid to call or email students they shared their contact information for a reason!
- Consider using Remind.com to streamline outreach



Example of text message outreach via Remind.com

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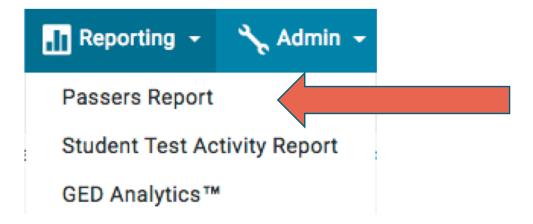
II joined NEISD GED WAITING LIST.

Hello. MyGED.com provided your name and contact information. I am eager to help you get started with earning your High School Equivalency. Open Enrollment class is available at 2614 Walzem Road. Please reply here if you have any questions. You should also visit our website: neisd.net/community





Reporting

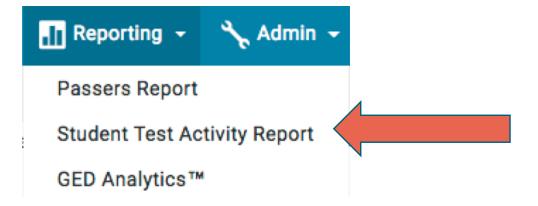


Passers Report

This will allow an educator to run only the passers over a certain time period



Reporting



Student Test Activity Report

- This allows educators to run reports based on testing activity i.e. GED Ready Reds, GED Ready Greens, GED Passed, GED Below Passing, etc.
- You can also sort by test subject



Student Test Activity Report

You can easily ...

- Sort by any category
- Print Score Reports
- Export the data into Excel

Print Score Reports (1000 rows max) Export (1000 rows max) 25									
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Smith, Brian	brian.smith@gedtestingservice.	GED Ready Green	12/10/2013	GED Ready [®]	Social Studies	181 🛦	No	Liberty Resources	No
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Accessing GED Manager



Process for getting access to GED Manager

- Each state has different guidelines on who can get access
- Email your State Relationship Manager or request access at operations@GED.com
- Email address needs to be different than the one you may have used to create a GED.com account



New GED Manager™ users will receive a welcome email and training document

- Once the Adult Ed Center user names and emails have been entered into GED Manager™ by GED Testing Service, the new users will receive a welcome email and training document on how to access their students' scores
- Adult Ed Centers will be able to see only scores for their students at their location and not others
- All students from a specific Center may not have viewable scores if each student doesn't authorize the Center to have access
- Access to student scores will be available to the Adult Ed Center user as soon as the student selects the Adult Ed Center in GED.com.
 - The student may or may not have a completed test (GED Ready[®] or a GED[®] test) when they select their Adult Ed Center
 - Under-age students will not show in GED Manager



Free Resources

GED Study Guides, Extended Response videos, Tuesdays for Teachers, Pathsource



GED® Student Study Guide

- Became available in late 2017
- Available for all 4 subjects (no cost) via each student's ged.com account
- Includes sample questions
- Another resource for adult educators to use in their preparation with students
- Good tool for new teachers to get them familiar with the content they need to teach

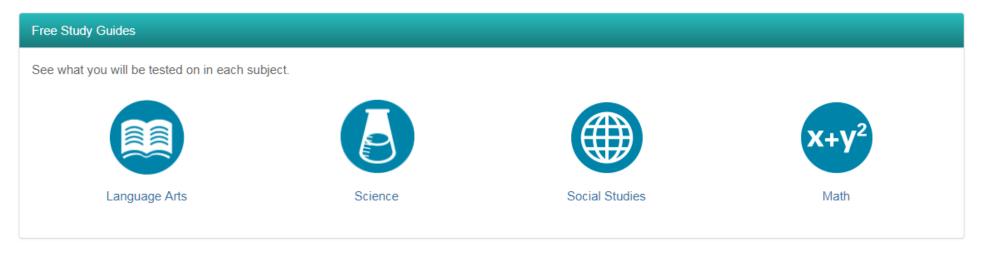


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Study Materials

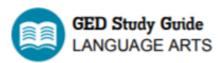


Check out these study resources to help you prepare.





Each study guide covers topics, time for the test, format and example questions –



What you need to know about the GED® Language Arts Test

You should be familiar with reading and writing concepts, along with grammar.

However, the language arts test is not a memorization test! You don't need to memorize giant vocabulans words or dispray words.

You'll need to read and understand test passages (literary and informational excerpts), de conclusions (which is using your critical thinking skills in reading and writing).

The test also covers grammar. This study guide and the example questions in it will help you get

You don't need to know everything in this guide!

If you want to see how close you are to passing, the GED Ready® official practice test is a great

Test Overview



Topics

Expressing meaning Using evidence

Grammar and sentence structure



Time (to take the test)

150 minutes

10 minute break between parts 2 and 3

45 minutes for the written essay



Format

3 sections

1 written essay (extended response)

Multiple choice and other question types (drag and drop, hot spot, and drop down)

Expressing meaning



Events, plots, characters, settings, and ideas

You'll be asked to:

- Put events in order
- . Make inferences or draw conclusions about plots, sequence of events, characters, settings, and ideas in passages
- · Analyze relationships within passages, including how people, events, and ideas are connected

For example, a passage describes Roberta, who is about to begin college and is the first person in her family to do so. The author may use words like "nervous," "excited," "proud," and "scared" to describe a variety of emotions Roberta experiences. The author could write about events leading up to enrolling in college, including navigating the application and financial aid processes. They may also share some information about the mixed responses from Roberta's family and friends — many, but not all — of whom are supportive.

You could be asked to make inferences about how Roberta was influenced by current or past events; the sequence of events that led to her enrolling in college; and what conclusions you can draw about Roberta's experience.

Example Questions

Events, plots, characters, settings, and ideas

Excerpt from Anne of Green Gables

By L. M. Montgomery

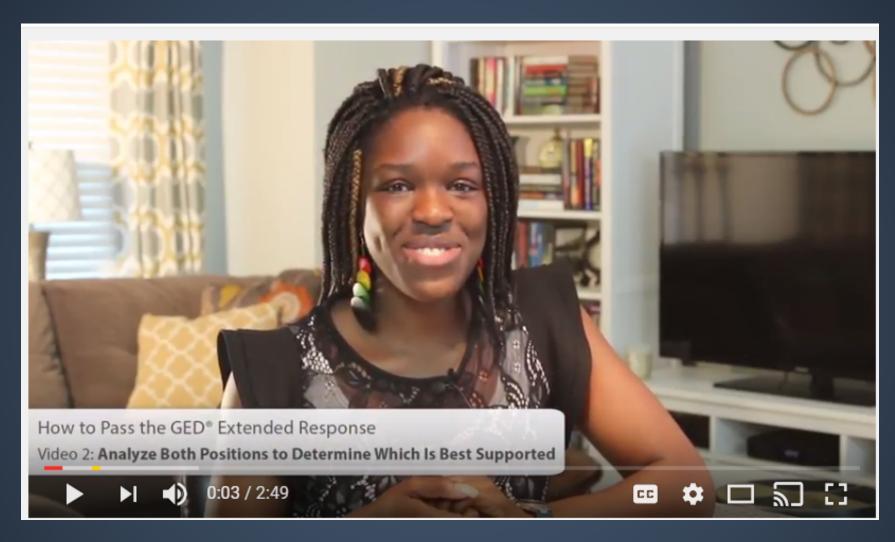
Marilla came briskly forward as Matthew opened the door. But when her eyes fell on the odd little figure in the stiff, ugly dress, with the long braids of red hair and the eager, luminous eyes, she stopped short in amazement.

"Matthew Cuthbert, who's that?" she exclaimed. "Where is the boy?"

"There wasn't any boy," said Matthew wretchedly. "There was only her."

He nodded at the child, remembering that he had never even asked her name.

"No how Rut there must have been a how" insisted Marilla. "We sent word to Mrs. Spencer to bring a how"



New Readers Press launches 8-video series on RLA

NEW Videos MAXIMIZE YOUR SCORE ON THE GED® EXTENDED RESPONSE

it's important for students to know the content covered on the GED* test. But it's also important for them to feel comfortable and confident on test day. Going into the test knowing what to expect, and having a few key test-taking strategies, will go a long way in ensuring students' success.

New Readers Press* and GED Testing Service* have partnered to create a new series of eight videos to help students maximize their score on the GED* Reasoning Through Language Arts Test Extended Response. In these videos, Alice, a recent GED* graduate, encourages test takers and provides proven strategies and helpful tips for students to improve their score.

View videos at: www.newreaderspress.com/writing-for-the-ged-test

VIDEO TOPICS INCLUDE:

- 1. Overview of the Extended Response
- Analyze Both Positions to Determine Which is Best Supported
- 3. Write a Well-Supported Argument
- 4. Make a Plan and Write an introduction
- Write the Body and Conclusion
- 6. Write a Fully Supported Response
- Check and Revise Your Response
- Understand How Your Response is Scored









Where to find the videos

- Available on GED.com in each student's account under the "Study" tab
- Available for educators here:
 https://ged.com/educators_admins/teaching/classroom_materials/
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- Available at: www.newreaderspress.com/writing-for-the-ged-test
- Or contact New Readers Press for DVDs that can be sent to your facility:
 - tlipke@proliteracy.org
- Videos are FREE



Pathsource

- Free career exploration tool in GED.com
- Students can take a 10 minute assessment and get job recommendations personalized for them
- Over 3,000 videos of real people talking about their job
- Access is through the "College and Careers" tab in GED.com



Tuesdays for Teachers Webinar Series



Stay in the know from GED® experts.

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Tuesdays for Teachers is a free professional development webinar series designed for educators. Presented by well-known GED® training experts Bonnie Goonen and Susan Pittman, this webinar series will take a deeper dive into classroom strategies and techniques for the GED® test.

Registration for each webinar opens approximately two weeks before the webinar date. Attendance is limited and based on a first-come, first-served basis.



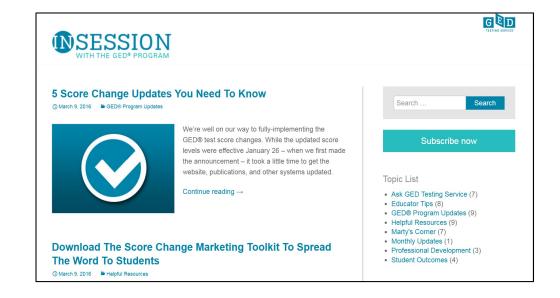
Free Professional Development

- Over 30 professional development webinars archived on GED.com
- Each session comes with recording, webinar slides, workbook and certificate of completion



IN Session Newsletter

- Sign up on GED.com
- Topics of interest to adult educators
- We only send out a few emails a month
- Focus on changes that impact you and your students









Background

- Student research showed that 75% want access to more practice questions – serving a different function than GED Ready
- GED Testing Service partnered with Aztec Software to develop a product to meet this need – with thousands of test questions and answers
- Two versions are available One for individual students and one for GED prep/AE programs



Overview

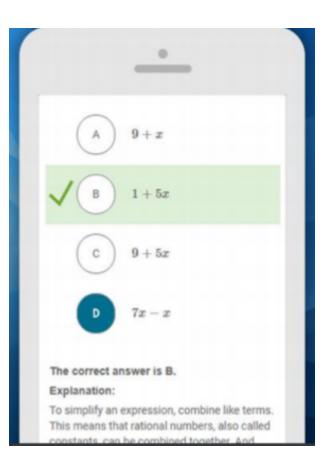
GED Flash is an online tool, similar to traditional flashcards

- Intended to build confidence and drive student success
- Provides access to thousands of questions
- Students answer example questions
- Students will get immediate feedback on whether answer is correct
- Students will get step-by-step explanations on how to get to the correct answer
- Individual version built for mobile devices



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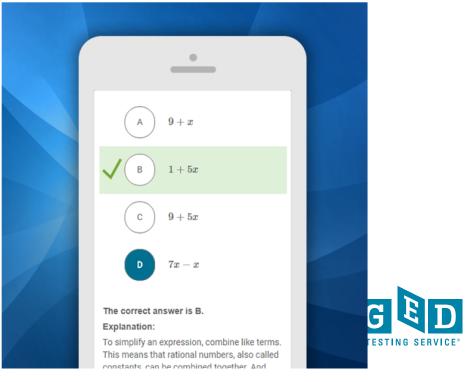




GED Flash for Individuals

- Available now for all four subjects
- Students will access via GED.com
- A subscription allows student unlimited 30-day access (\$15)
- Practice anywhere mobile, laptop





GED Flash for Organizations

- Same questions/answers, different platform, with tools for educators
- Will include a dashboard for classrooms
- Allows educators to:
 - Increase student engagement
 - See student progress and results
 - Assign students to targeted practice areas
- Product is available through Aztec
- www.aztecsoftware.com/GEDFlash



GED Flash for Organizations Promotion

- GED Flash access to adult education programs is sold via Aztec Software
- Access to GED Flash for 14 months at the 12 month price. Offer valid through August 31, 2018.
- \$99 per seat license for existing Aztec Customers or \$125 per seat license for new customers
- With purchase of GED Flash adult education programs can purchase our official practice test, GED Ready[®], at a cost of \$2 per voucher up to a certain amount
- For more information: <u>www.aztecsoftware.com/gedflash</u>
- Stop by the Aztec booth!







The concept: bringing teachers together with students at a distance

Bring a personal touch to GED® test preparation with:

- live online classes
- that leverage online teachers and interactive resources
- providing support for teachers to supplement curriculum, and engage their students who cannot always get to class or require additional independent work



GED Live™: growing demand in US Market

More than 700 independent students now using GED Live

5 pilot programs engaged in providing input

- 91% buy Comprehensive
- Start-to-Finish Bundle (GED Live + GED Test vouchers + GED Ready)
- Access to all four subjects is \$129 for 90 days. Also, students can purchase just Math or RLA for \$59 for 45 days

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Class List: available on GEDMarketplace.com



Session Name	Subject	Date	Start Time (ET)
Number Sense	Math	Tuesday, November 28, 2017	8:00 PM
Sources, Points of View, & Question Types in Social Studies	Social Studies	Tuesday, November 28, 2017	9:00 PM
Reading for Key Ideas and Details	RLA	Wednesday, November 29, 2017	8:00 PM
Scientific Experiments	Science	Tuesday, December 05, 2017	8:00 PM
Data Analysis in Science	Science	Tuesday, December 05, 2017	9:30 PM
Geometry and Data Analysis	Math	Thursday, December 07, 2017	8:00 PM
Reading Strategically	RLA	Thursday, December 07, 2017	9:30 PM
Reading Like a Writer	RLA	Monday, December 11, 2017	8:00 PM
Algebra	Math	Thursday, December 14, 2017	8:00 PM
Advanced Math	Math	Thursday, December 14, 2017	9:00 PM
The Coordinate Plane	Math	Monday, December 18, 2017	8:00 PM
Extended Response	RLA	Monday, December 18, 2017	9:00 PM
Relationships, Visuals, & Data in Social Studies	Social Studies	Thursday, December 21, 2017	8:00 PM
Language Conventions and Usage	RLA	Thursday, December 21, 2017	9:30 PM
Algebra	Math	Thursday, January 04, 2018	8:00 PM
Finding Info-in-Graphics	Science	Sunday, January 07, 2018	8:00 PM
Focusing Themes and Question Types in Science	Science	Sunday, January 07, 2018	9:00 PM
Number Sense	Math	Monday, January 08, 2018	8:00 PM
Reading Strategically	RLA	Monday, January 08, 2018	9:30 PM
Scientific Experiments	Science	Wednesday, January 10, 2018	8:00 PM
Analyzing Social Studies Sources and Points of View	Social Studies	Wednesday, January 10, 2018	9:30 PM
Coordinate Plane	Math	Thursday, January 18, 2018	8:00 PM
Reading for Key Ideas and Details	RLA	Saturday, January 20, 2018	1:00 PM
Geometry and Data Analysis	Math	Sunday, January 21, 2018	8:00 PM
Reading Like a Writer	RLA	Sunday, January 21, 2018	9:30 PM
Language Conventions and Usage	RLA	Wednesday, January 24, 2018	8:00 PM
Question Types and Relationships in Social Studies	Social Studies	Monday, January 29, 2018	8:00 PM



Questions?



Thank you!

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