

Practice Makes Passers!

An overview of tools to help students succeed

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Agenda Topics

- Overview
- Student persistence work
- New tools developed in partnership with GED publishers
 - Extended Response Videos – ProLiteracy
 - GED Flash - Individual and Organizations (Aztec Software)
 - GED Live – Individuals and Adult Educators (Kaplan)
- Assessment: ER Changes, Score Report Work
- Teacher Resources
- Q & A

Guiding Principles

- Preparing learners to enter jobs, career training and postsecondary programs better prepared than ever before
- Develop tools, services that help students enter into the GED prep pipeline and then persist along their journey to GED graduate and after
- Develop, refresh and raise visibility and usage of content and tools that help teachers better prepare GED students
- Utilize feedback (teachers, admins, students, publishers), psychometric data, new qualitative and quantitative research with students and teachers
- Continued testing, iterative design, education and implementation— standing still=getting behind the curve

National Pass Rate/ Scores – 2017

76%
2013
Pass Rate

79%
2017
Pass Rate

Average Scores				
GED® Tests	Math	RLA	Science	Social Studies
Average Passing Score	153	155	156	155
Average Non-Passing Score	141	140	141	140
Overall Average	150	152	154	153
GED Ready® Tests	147	149	151	151

Postsecondary/College Activity & Outcomes

35%

**Enroll within
1 year**



45%

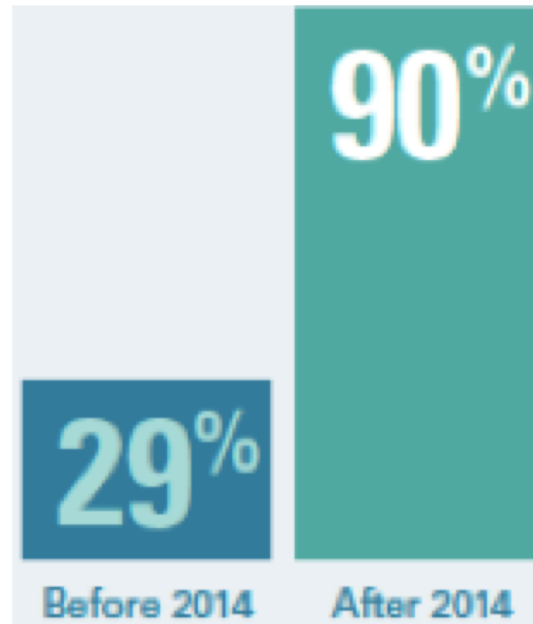
**Enroll within
3 year**



**More grads are
enrolling**

Not only are more enrolling, but they are doing it more quickly

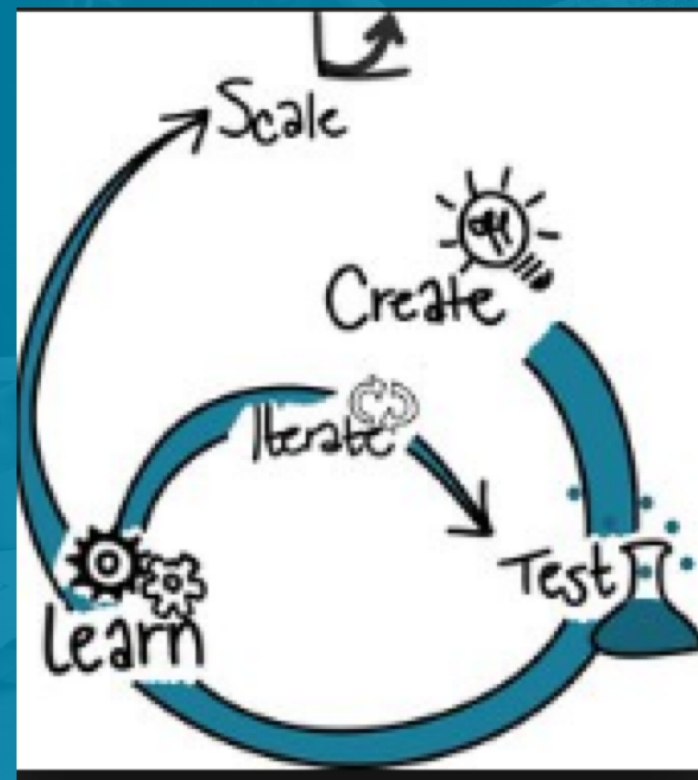
Postsecondary/College Activity & Outcomes - Persistence



**Persistence is
at an all-time
high**

Students are enrolling at higher rates, doing so more quickly, and they are prepared to succeed

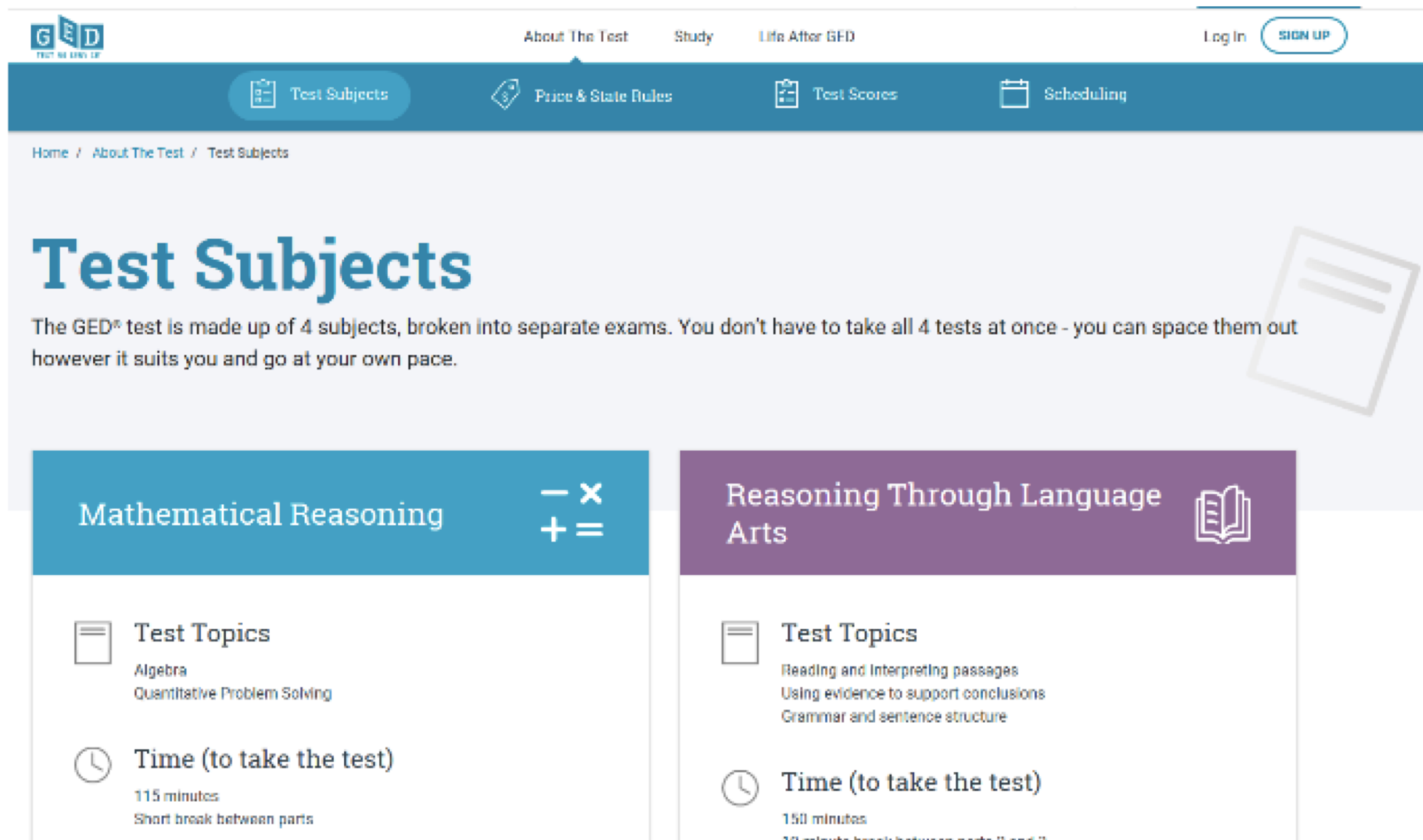
Student Persistence Work: Improving the student experience, and moving more adults from GED.com account to GED grad



Key Deliverables

- GED Study Guides
- GEDtestingsevice.com to GED.com Redesign
- New GED.com Student Account Redesign

Study Guides – More integrated into GED.com student pages



The screenshot shows the GED.com website's 'Test Subjects' page. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the GED logo, links for 'About The Test', 'Study', and 'Life After GED', and a 'Log In' button with a 'SIGN UP' button next to it. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with icons and labels for 'Test Subjects', 'Price & State Rules', 'Test Scores', and 'Scheduling'. The main content area has a breadcrumb trail 'Home / About The Test / Test Subjects' and a large 'Test Subjects' heading. A paragraph explains that the GED test consists of 4 subjects taken separately. To the right is a faint document icon. Below the heading are two columns. The left column, 'Mathematical Reasoning', features a calculator icon and lists topics like Algebra and Quantitative Problem Solving, with a 115-minute test duration. The right column, 'Reasoning Through Language Arts', features a book icon and lists topics like Reading and Interpreting passages, with a 150-minute test duration. Both columns include a clock icon for the test time.

GED
TESTING SERVICE

About The Test Study Life After GED Log In SIGN UP

Test Subjects Price & State Rules Test Scores Scheduling


Home / About The Test / Test Subjects


Test Subjects

The GED® test is made up of 4 subjects, broken into separate exams. You don't have to take all 4 tests at once - you can space them out however it suits you and go at your own pace.


Mathematical Reasoning


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 **Test Topics**
Algebra
Quantitative Problem Solving

 **Time (to take the test)**
115 minutes
Short break between parts

Reasoning Through Language Arts

 **Test Topics**
Reading and Interpreting passages
Using evidence to support conclusions
Grammar and sentence structure

 **Time (to take the test)**
150 minutes
10 minute break between parts 2 and 3

Link to Study Guides for Educators

- Math:

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- RLA:

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- Science:

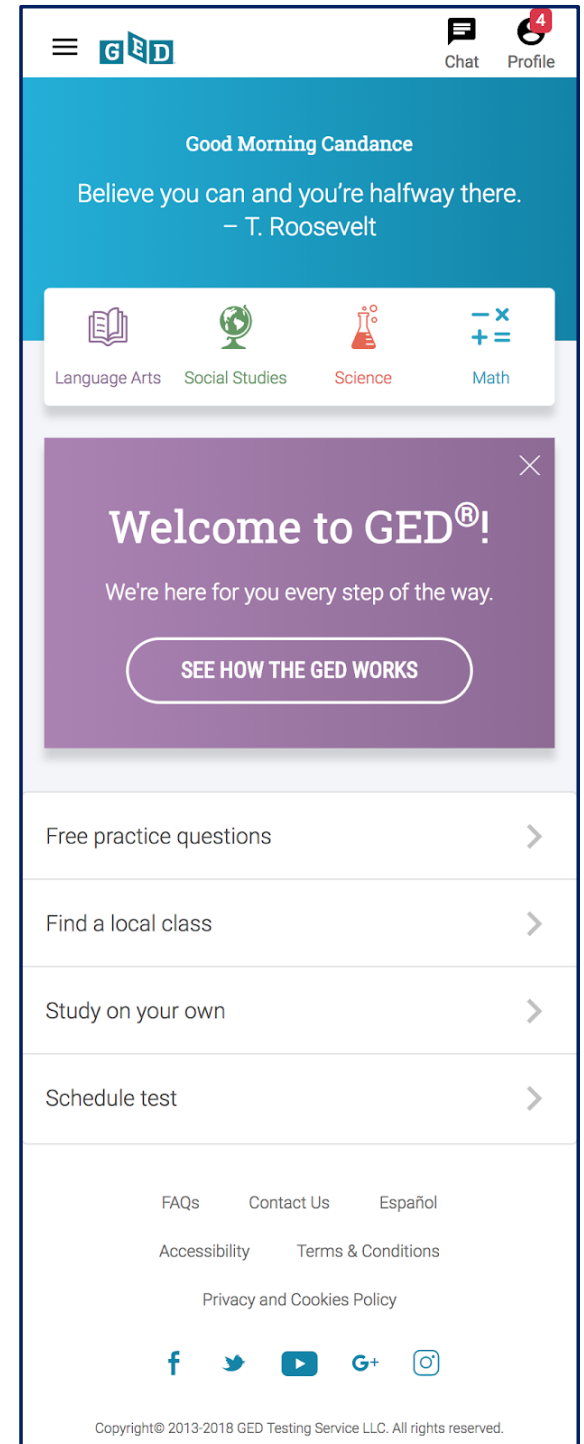
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- Social Studies:

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New GED.com Student Account Experience

- Great results in segment testing
- **New experience will be standard for all new students on August 14/15**
 - Exceptions apply (accommodations, AZ, WI) due to additional development work
- Existing students will be able to check out and toggle between old and new experience until mid to late October



More Information

CONFERENCE SESSION

Power of User Experience and Behavioral Science in Moving More Students to Graduates

DATE: Today
TIME: 2:45pm
LOCATION: Sierra A/B

ADULT ED WEBINAR & DEMO

Email with registration details sent this week to In Session list. Link to the recording will be available after on the In Session newsletter

DATE: Tuesday, Aug. 7th
TIME: 2:00 pm Central

New Tools: Continued Partnership with GED Publishers

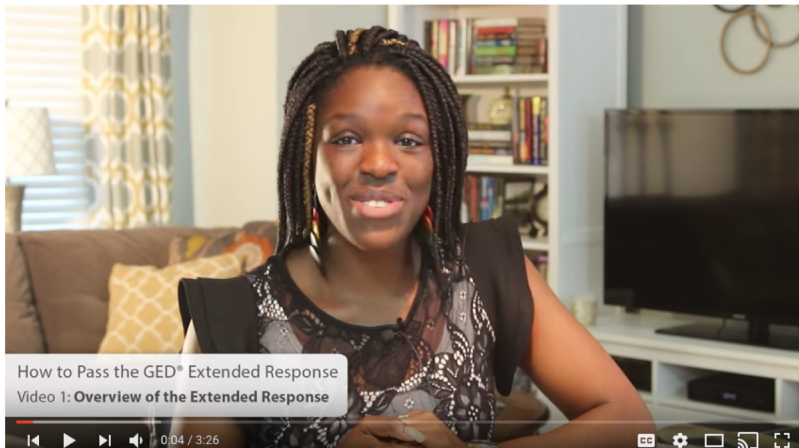
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- *GED Flash™*
- *GED Live™*


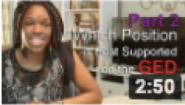


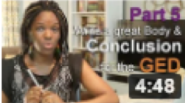


New E.R. Video Series

Pro Literacy collaboration with
GED Testing Service

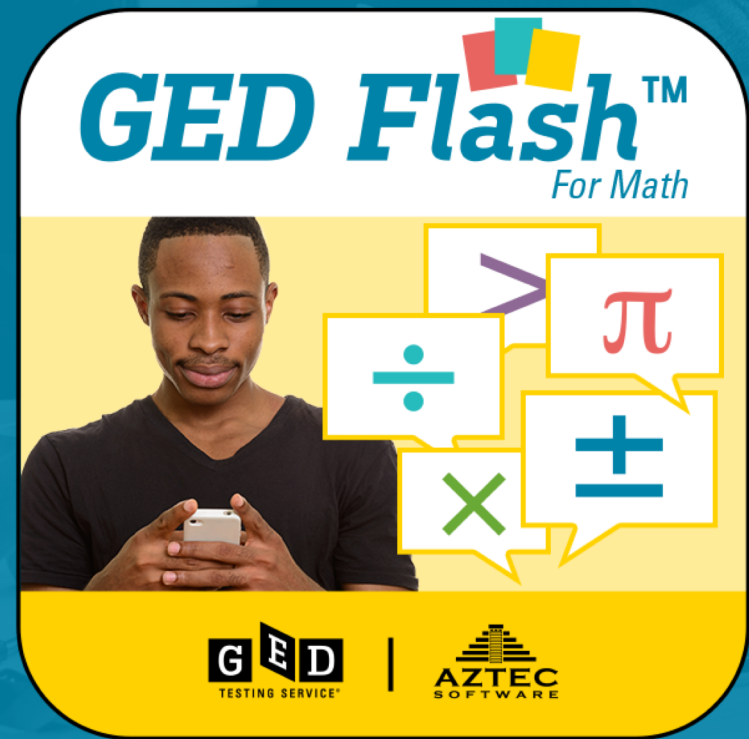
- Available on GEDTS website
under “Classroom Resources”

- Available on YouTube – Pro
Literacy’s Channel



1		Overview of the GED Extended Response—Video 1 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
2		How to Determine Which Position is Best Supported—Video 2 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
3		How to Write a Well-Supported Argument—Video 3 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
4		How to Make a Plan and Write an Introduction—Video 4 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
5		How to Write the Body and Conclusion—Video 5 of How to Pass the 2018 GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
6		How to Write a Fully Supported Response—Video 6 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy
7		How to Check and Revise Your Response—Video 7 of How to Pass the GED Extended Response ProLiteracy

GED Flash™



Background

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

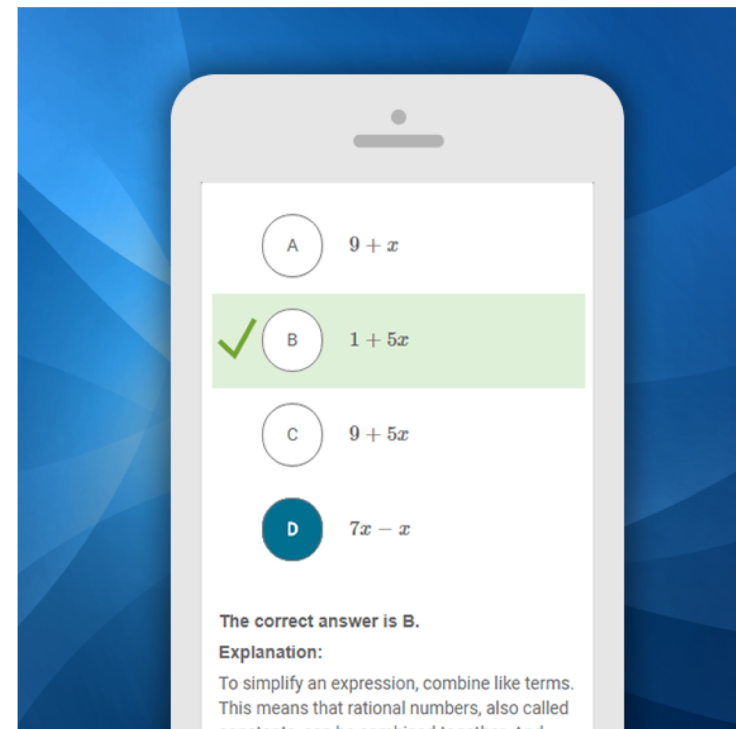
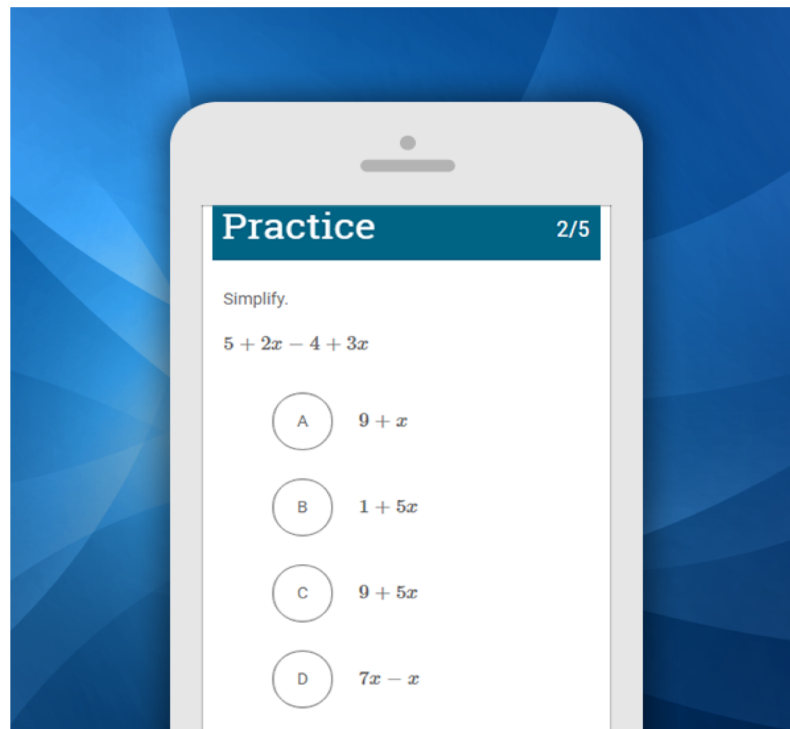
Overview

GED Flash is an online tool, similar to traditional flashcards


- Intended to build confidence and drive student success
- Help student identify problem areas for further practice
- 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





GED Flash for Individuals

- Students will access via GED.com –through their GED.com account
- A subscription allows student unlimited 30-day access (\$15) per subject
- Practice anywhere - mobile, laptop



GED Flash- for Individuals



 Chat Alerts Messages Schedule

CT Test Candidate ▾
Español

Dashboard

About the Test

Study


Test Tips


Where to Test

Schedule Test


My Scores


College & Careers


This is a global message so all users including candidate should see this one. 


 Give me the tour


Dashboard


 [Start Now](#)

 Language Arts

 Science

 Social Studies


 Math



You have an alert!

Your account has an alert. This means you can't schedule your test right now. Alerts come from rules your state has for testing. Complete the steps needed to clear your alert and you'll be able to schedule.


Clear my alert



Prove you're ready

Take the official practice test, GED Ready®. Find out if you're likely to pass and exactly what to study.


Take GED Ready®



Don't know where to start?

Millions of students have passed the GED®, and so can you. Learn about how you can prepare for the test, and choose what's right for *you*.

See study options



GED Flash for Organizations - GED Prep Programs

- Same questions/answers, different platform, with tools built for educators
- Include a dashboard for classrooms
- Allows educators to:
 - Increase student engagement
 - See student progress and results
 - Assign students to targeted practice areas
- Demonstration and Promotion Information



For Information on GED Flash for Organizations

Contact

Online:

<https://aztecsoftware.com/gedflash>

Telephone:

800-273-0033

Email:

Gedflash@aztecsoftware.com

Contact your local Aztec Representative

In-Person: here at the conference



GED Live™



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
- supplement AE in harder to reach rural areas

Use Cases

- Blended Classroom: Video instruction followed by in person workshopping
- Flipped Classroom: Video instruction assigned as homework, concepts covered live in class
- Temporary/"Substitute" Teacher: When staffing or talent gaps arise, GED Live for Institutions can fill the need
- Remote Instruction: The full GED Live™ experience for students who cannot make it to class

GED Live to Date

- Conducted survey with adult education – significant interest in distance learning tools and supplemental instruction
- Conducted adult ed/GED prep program pilots to gain feedback from educators
- Developed White Paper on Distance Learning
- Launched individual GED Live version on GED.com/marketplace
- Continue to refine GED Live adult ed version
- Expected to launch in August/September

GED Live High-Level Details

- The high quality instruction students have come to expect from GED Live™, now available for Adult Ed providers
- Full year subscriptions available
- Concurrent seat-license model

Student Time on Task/Usage Report Sample

student_id	first_name	last_name	e_mail_address	session_name	session_date	session_duration_minutes	minutes_watched
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123456	Dan	Wittich	dan.wittich@kaplan.com	Focusing Themes and Question Types in Science	6/27/18	90	88
123456	Dan	Wittich	dan.wittich@kaplan.com	Number Sense	6/28/18	60	56
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123456	Dan	Wittich	dan.wittich@kaplan.com	Coordinate Plane	7/2/18	60	55
123456	Dan	Wittich	dan.wittich@kaplan.com	Reading for Key Ideas and Details	7/3/18	90	75
123456	Dan	Wittich	dan.wittich@kaplan.com	Advanced Math	7/5/18	60	55
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Assessment Enhancements



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Extended Response Changes

- Improvements to the E.R. item to enhance student experience
- Tabs, where instructions are shown, scrolling, etc.
- Beginning Jan. 1, 2019

SCORE REPORT ENHANCEMENTS

- We have been working with educators and adult learners on improving the detailed score report
- Some enhancements include:
 - Simplify the terminology
 - Clarifying the “What my score means” tab
 - Making it easier to find

More Information - Assessment

CONFERENCE SESSION

***The GED Test After Five Years:
What's on the Horizon?***

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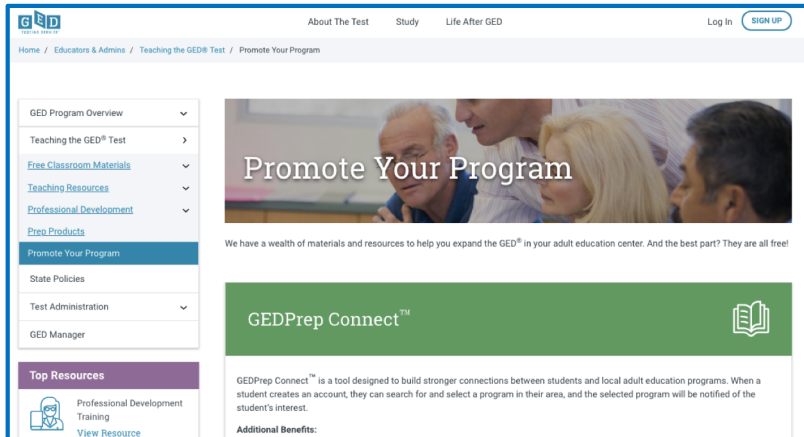
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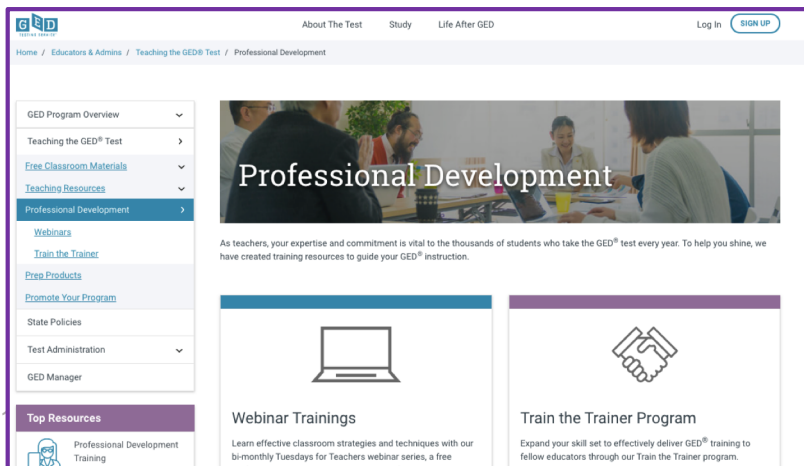
Additional Resources



In Session – Be the First to Know



GEDPrep Connect – promote your programs, manage student inquiries



PD Resources – hone your classroom instruction on your own or join an online training

Questions, Discussion

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