



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. Here is an overview of what is on the GED, by subject area.

Mathematical Reasoning

Test Topics

Basic Math
Geometry
Basic Algebra
Graphs and Functions

Time (to take the test)

115 minutes
Includes 2 minutes of instructions and final review
Includes 3 minute break between parts (to retrieve your calculator in test center)

Format

Access to calculator reference sheet and math formula sheet
* Access to onscreen calculator on part 2 of test
* Your own TI-30XS calculator allowed in test center
Multiple choice and other question types (drag and drop, fill-in-the-blank, select an area, and drop down)

Reasoning Through Language Arts

Test Topics

Reading for Meaning
Identifying and Creating Arguments
Grammar and Language

Time (to take the test)

150 minutes
Includes 3 minutes of instructions and final review
Includes 10 minute break between parts 2 and 3
Includes 45 minutes for the written essay

Format

3 sections
1 written essay (extended response)
Multiple choice and other question types (drag and drop, select an area, and drop down)

Social Studies

Test Topics

Reading for Meaning in Social Studies

Analyzing Historical Events and Arguments in Social Studies

Using Numbers and Graphs in Social Studies

Time (to take the test)

70 minutes

Includes 2 minutes of instructions and final review

No break

Format

* Access to onscreen calculator

* Your own TI-30XS calculator allowed in test center

Access to calculator reference sheet

Multiple choice and other question types (drag and drop, fill in the blank, select an area, and drop down)

Science

Test Topics

Reading for Meaning in Science

Designing and Interpreting Science Experiments

Using Numbers and Graphics in Science

Time (to take the test)

90 minutes

Includes 2 minutes of instructions and final review

No break

Format

* Access to onscreen calculator

* Your own TI-30XS calculator allowed in test center

Access to calculator reference sheet

Multiple choice and other question types (fill in the blank, drag and drop, select an area, and drop down)