The GED test is a standardized test designed to measure the skills and knowledge equivalent to a high school course of study. The GED test covers the five basic subjects: math, reading, writing, social studies, and science.

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5. www.pbs.org/literacy
Language Arts, Writing

The writing portion of the GED test is divided up into 2 different parts. Part 1 of the writing measures an applicant’s writing skills by testing for organization, structure, and usage. Part 2 of the test measures an applicant’s writing skills related to his or her ability to compose a written essay.

- **Organization (15%)** - An applicant must be able to identify topic sentences, create unity, and coherence in the document.
- **Structure (30%)** – Applicant needs to correct sentence fragments, run-ons, comma splices, improper coordination, and subordination.
- **Usage (30%)** – Applicant must correct errors in subject verb agreement, verb tense, and pronoun reference.
- **Mechanics (25%)** – Applicant needs to correct errors in capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.

Example Questions

1. Today’s hikers prefer a shoe that is six inches high, is made of leather, and thick sturdy composition soles.
   - a. Remove apostrophe from *today’s*
   - b. Insert comma after *shoe*
   - c. Remove comma after *high*
   - d. Insert *has* before *thick*
   - e. No correction necessary

2. When purchasing a backpack, you will find an almost bewildering array of makes, styles, and materiels to choose from.
   - a. Remove comma after *backpack*
   - b. Change spelling of almost to *almost*
   - c. Remove comma after *makes*
   - d. Changed spelling of *materiels* to *materials*
   - e. No correction necessary

Answers

1. D  
2. D

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**Language Arts, Reading**

The Reading portion of the GED test measures an applicant’s reading skills. 75% of this portion of the test consists of literary or fiction, 25% of this section consists of nonfiction.

**Example Questions**

On a morning in early spring, 1873, the people of Oberfest left their houses and took refuge in the town hall. No one knows why precisely. A number of rumors had raced through the town during recent weeks, were passed on and converted to news; predictions became certainties. On this particular morning, fear turned into terror, and people rushed through the narrow streets, carrying their most precious possessions, pulling their children and dashing into the great hall. The doors were nailed shut, and men took their turns watching out the window. Two days passed. When no disaster came, the fear grew worse, because the people began to suspect that the danger was already in the hall, locked inside. No one spoke to anybody else; people watched each other, looking for signs. It was the children who rang the great bell in the first bell tower- a small band of bored children found the bell rope and swung on it- set the bell clanging. This was the traditional signal of alarm, and in a moment the elders were dashing in panic to all the other bell towers and ringing the bells. For nearly an hour, the valley reverberated with the wild clangor- and then, a thousand feet above, the snow began to crack, and the avalanche began; a massive cataract of ice and snow thundered down and buried the town, silencing the bells. There is no trace of Oberfest today, not even a spire, because the snow is so deep; and in the shadow of the mountains, it is very cold.

1. Which word best expresses the main idea of the passage?
   a. Faith
   b. Suspicion
   c. Nostalgia
   d. Disaster
   e. Rumors

2. There is a simile (comparison) in line
   a. 2
   b. 4
   c. 8
   d. 10
   e. 16

**Answers**

1. D 2. C

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Mathematics

The Mathematics section of the test measures an applicant’s skill in mathematics divided into four primary areas of mathematical study. This section focuses on the applicant’s understanding of common numerical operations, geometry, data analysis, statistics and probability, and algebra.

Example Questions

1. A basketball team has won 50 games of 75 played. The team still has 45 games to play. How many of the remaining games must the team win in order to win 60% of all the games played during the season?
   a. 19
   b. 21
   c. 22
   d. 25
   e. 26

2. A rectangle and a triangle have equal areas. The length of the rectangle is 12 inches, and its width is 8 inches. If the base of the triangle is 32 inches, what is the length, in inches, of the altitude drawn to the base?
   a. 6
   b. 8
   c. 9
   d. 12
   e. 16

Answers

1. C 2. A

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Social Studies

This section of the GED test measures an applicant’s skill in history, geography, economics, civics, and government.

Example Questions

1. A study of the causes of the American Revolution of 1776, the French Revolution of 1789, and the Russian Revolution of 1917 best supports the generalization that revolution is most likely to occur when

   a. Those in power are resistant to change.
   b. A society has a lower standard of living that those around it.
   c. A society has become industrialized.
   d. Stable governments are in power.
   e. People are given too much voice in their government.

2. “Without our two great political parties cutting across economic and geographic interests, democracy as we know it could never have been made to function.” The author of this statement probably meant to suggest that

   a. Political parties in the United States tend to represent sectional interests.
   b. Each political party appeals to a different social class.
   c. There is no significant difference between the Democratic and Republican parties.
   d. An important feature of the U.S. political system is the broadly based appeal of the two political parties.
   e. Only a two political party system can function in a democracy

Answers

1. A  2. D

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Science

The Science section of the GED test measures skill in science related areas. This portion of the test is divided into three parts: physical science, life science, and earth sciences.

Example Questions

1. Scientists performed an experiment to determine whether there is a connection between learning ability and food. They took two groups of 20 mice each, all from the same purebred strain. The mice were deprived of food for 3 days and then given a standard learning session in running through a maze. They were trained by giving them a mild electric shock whenever they took a wrong turn. Immediately after each learning session, one group of mice was fed, but the other was not. A week later, all of the mice were tested to see whether they could still run the maze correctly. The Group that had been fed had retained this ability, but the other group had not.

The probable reason that the scientists used only mice from the same purebred strain is so that

   a. The mice would be all the same size
   b. The mice would all be the same color
   c. The experiment could be repeated with the same mice
   d. Genetic differences would not affect the outcome of the test
   e. The experiment wouldn’t cost as much

2. The use of electric shock in the teaching process is

   a. Necessary to keep the mice alert
   b. Cruel and should not be allowed
   c. A way to show the mice that they have taken a wrong turn in the maze
   d. Designed to elicit a predetermined response
   e. Part of the variable

Answers

1. D.  🟢  2. C.

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