

Passing the GED® Test

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Passing Standards as of 2002

- ❖ To officially pass your GED test, your overall average score must be greater than or equal to 2,250 with at least a 410 on each individual test.

Minimum Score on Each Test	Not Less Than 410
Average Score on All Five Test in the Battery	450
Total Required	2,250

Passing Scenario:

You take all five of the GED tests. On the Language Arts-Writing test you score 410; on the Science test you score 450; on the Social Studies test you score 430; on the Language Arts Reading test you score 430; and on the Mathematics test you score 410. Your overall average equals 2130.

Although you have obtained at least a 410 on each section of the test, your overall average is below 2,250 therefore, you have obtained scores sufficient to receive a GED credential.

- Q: What should you do to raise your average?
 A: Retake those tests on which you only scored a 410
- Q: Can you retake a test on which you scored fairly high?
 A: Yes
- Q: If you retake a test and score lower than your initial test, which score will count?
 A: The highest score of a retest counts toward your overall average

What Do the GED® Tests Measure?

Writing:

- Part I- Sentence Structure (30%); Usage (30%);
 Mechanics (25%)
 Part II- Essay

Social Science:

- National History (25%); Economics (20%);
 Civics and Government (25%);
 World History (15%); Geography (15%).

Science:

- Life Sciences (45%); Earth and Space (20%);
 Physics and Chemistry (35%).

Reading:

- Literary Test (75%); Nonfiction Prose (25%).

Mathematics:

- Numbers, Number Sense, and Operations (25%);
 Measurement and Geometry (25%);
 Data, Statistics, and Probability (25%);
 Algebra, Functions, and Patterns (25%).

An official score report will be mailed approximately two to three weeks after the test by the Texas Education Agency in Austin. A copy of the "Official GED Test Results" can be obtained online (payment required). Credentials may also be verified online at www.texged.com.