



TEST
ASSESSING
SECONDARY
COMPLETION™

Get Ready— TASC Test Readiness Assessment



Prepare Learners with the TASC Test Readiness Assessment



What is the TASC Test?

The TASC Test Assessing Secondary Completion™ is a state-of-the-art, affordable national high school equivalency assessment that assesses five subject areas: Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. It measures examinees' levels of achievement relative to that of graduating high school seniors, and readiness for college and the workforce, as outlined by the College and Career Readiness Standards.

Why take the Readiness Assessment?

By completing the Readiness Assessment, examinees receive a percentage score that indicates the likelihood of passing the TASC test. In addition, the Readiness Assessment provides feedback on areas of weakness, allowing examinees to focus their efforts as they prepare for the test.

The Readiness Assessment is available in English and Spanish, and in both paper-and-pencil and computer-based formats.

Content Areas

The TASC Test Readiness Assessment is structured around the five content areas assessed by the TASC test: Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. Like the TASC test, content is aligned to the College and Career Readiness Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, and National Curriculum Standards for Social Studies. The Readiness Assessment questions mirror those on the TASC test, so examinees can get an accurate prediction of their expected performance on the actual test. Designed to mimic the TASC test, the Readiness Assessment contains the same types of question formats that are used on the official TASC test. All subtests are composed primarily of multiple-choice questions, the mathematics test includes gridded response questions, and the Writing test contains a written essay question that requires examinees to write a persuasive essay after reading two informational passages.

- Like the TASC test, the multiple-choice questions on the Readiness Assessment require examinees to select the best answer from among four possible answer choices.
- The gridded-response questions require examinees to calculate a numerical response to the question and record it in a gridded-response area.
- With the exception of the Writing assessment, each subject area test contains approximately half the number of test questions and takes approximately half the amount of testing time as the actual TASC test battery.

Readiness Assessment Timing

The table below indicates the number of test questions that comprise each Readiness Assessment subject area test as well as the maximum duration that examinees will be given to complete these questions.

Subject	Questions	Duration (Min) English	Duration (Min) Spanish
Reading	20 Multiple-Choice 1 Constructed-Response	40	40
Writing	20 Multiple-Choice 1 Essay	75	75
Mathematics	18 Multiple-Choice 2 Gridded-Response 1 Constructed-Response	25 Minutes (Part 1) 25 Minutes (Part 2) 50	25 Minutes (Part 1) 25 Minutes (Part 2) 50
Science	20 Multiple-Choice 1 Constructed-Response	40	40
Social Studies	19 Multiple-Choice 1 Constructed-Response	35	35

Readiness Assessment Materials

Like the TASC test, the Readiness Assessment is available in English and Spanish, and offered in paper- and computer-based formats. Test materials needed for the paper-based and computer-based tests differ.

Materials for the Paper-Based Testing:

- Consumable test booklet (all subject-area tests are included in the same test booklet)
- Colored scratch paper (with lines for the Writing test)
- Two No. 2 pencils with erasers

For Mathematics and Science Tests, you will also need:

- Mathematics reference sheet for both the calculator and non-calculator sections of the Mathematics test
- Scientific calculator for the Science test and for the calculator section of the Mathematics test

Materials for the Computer-Based Testing:

- Online computer access
- Test tickets (one Summary Ticket for the examiner, one individual test ticket for each examinee)
- Colored scratch paper (with lines for the Writing test)
- Lined white paper (for Mathematics and Writing only) to be used by examinees for submitting the Writing essay and answers to the Mathematics gridded-response questions
- Two No. 2 pencils with erasers
- Online test administration system provides:
 - Online reference sheets
 - Calculators needed for the Science test and Mathematics test

Readiness Assessment Results Book

Results books are packaged with test booklets and Mathematics Reference Sheets. Examinees should receive the Readiness Assessment Profile Sheet from the Results Book following the administration and scoring of the Readiness Assessment.

The Readiness Assessment Results Book contains:

- Subject-specific score sheets to be used by the examiner to score each subtest and a Readiness Assessment Profile Sheet used to summarize the examinees' overall results.
- The Readiness Assessment Profile Sheet shows, for each subject area, the total points earned, the expected TASC test performance level, and the percentage-based likelihood of passing the TASC test.

Security of Material and Confidentiality of Results

While the Readiness Assessment is not high stakes and does not require the same rigorous security procedures that are associated with the TASC test, it is important that procedures and handling of the Readiness Assessment material align with copyright and examinee confidentiality requirements. To safeguard the integrity of the assessment materials, Readiness Assessment test booklets, which are not intended to be reused by multiple examinees, should not be photocopied or reproduced in any way or by any means.

The Readiness Assessment is intended to be administered in a formal setting and examinees should not be permitted to take the test booklets home. Likewise, examinee scores on the Readiness Assessment should be kept strictly confidential.

Readiness Assessment Administration Procedures

While some of the strict security procedures around inventorying and handling of materials that apply to the TASC test are not required for the Readiness Assessment, procedures for administering the Readiness Assessment to the examinees should still mirror those used for the TASC test wherever possible.

Allowable Resources and Special Testing Accommodations

While the Readiness Assessment is not currently available in Braille, audio, DVD, or large print formats, all other allowable resources and special testing accommodations that are used for the TASC test can and should be used for the Readiness Assessment for those examinees that need them.

Prior notification and formal approval of accommodations processes that are used for the TASC test are not required for the Readiness Assessment. Additional information regarding TASC test allowable resources and special testing accommodations can be found on **TASCTest.com**.

For answers to questions related to the Readiness Assessment content, administration/scoring procedures, or interpretation of results, examiners may visit **TASCTest.com** or contact:

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