



TIPS FOR SUCCESS

Prepare, Practice & Pass!



Questions we will answer:

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WHY do you need to take the Praxis Core Exams?

All certified teachers in Maryland, must demonstrate basic skills (high school junior level) in reading, writing and math.

The Maryland State Department of Education requires passing scores on the Praxis Core or other qualifying tests (such as SAT, ACT or GRE exams).

Most EDU bachelor's degree programs require passing scores on the basic skills assessment for admission.

Passing scores are required for graduation with the AAT (Associate of Arts in Teaching).

WHAT are the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Exams?

In September 2014, the Praxis I was replaced by the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators.

The Praxis Core consists of three tests:

- Reading (code 5712)

- Writing (code 5722)

- Math (code 5732)

Tests can be taken individually or as a combined test (code 5751).

Answer every question - there is no penalty for wrong answers!

WHAT is the Praxis Core Reading Test?

Praxis Core Reading

Passing Score = 156

Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading (5712)

Test at a Glance

Test Name	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading		
Test Code	5712		
Time	85 minutes		
Number of Questions	56 selected-response questions		
Format	Selected-response questions based on reading passages and statements		
Test Delivery	Computer delivered		
	Content Categories	Approximate Number of Questions*	Approximate Percentage of Examination
	I. Key Ideas and Details	17–22	35%
	II. Craft, Structure, and Language Skills	14–19	30%
	III. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas	17–22	35%

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WHAT is the Praxis Core Writing Test?

Praxis Core Writing

Passing Score = 162

Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing (5722)

Test at a Glance

Test Name	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing		
Test Code	5722		
Time	100 minutes, divided into a 40-minute selected-response section and two 30-minute essay sections		
Number of Questions	40 selected-response questions and two essay questions		
Format	Selected-response questions involving usage, sentence correction, revision in context, and research skills; 2 essay topics as the basis for writing samples		
Test Delivery	Computer delivered		
	Content Categories	Approximate Number of Questions*	Approximate Percentage of Examination
	I. Text Types, Purposes, and Production	6–12 selected-response 2 essay	60%
II. Language and Research Skills for Writing	28–34 selected-response	40%	
* Includes both scored and unscored (pretest) questions. Depending on the number of pretest questions included in each scoring category, the total number of questions in that category may vary from one form of the test to another.			

Note: On your score report, points earned on the selected-response section of the test are reported separately from points earned on the essay sections of the test.

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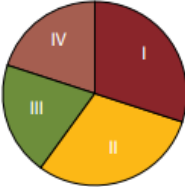
WHAT is the Praxis Core Math Test?

Praxis Core Math

Passing Score = 150

Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics (5732)

Test at a Glance

Test Name	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics		
Test Code	5732		
Time	85 minutes		
Number of Questions	56		
Format	Selected-response questions—select one answer choice Selected-response questions—select one or more answer choices Numeric entry questions On-screen calculator available		
Test Delivery	Computer delivered		
	Content Categories	Approximate Number of Questions*	Approximate Percentage of Examination
	I. Number and Quantity II. Algebra and Functions III. Geometry IV. Statistics and Probability	17 17 11 11	30% 30% 20% 20%
* Includes both scored and unscored (pretest) questions. Depending on the number of pretest questions included in each scoring category, the total number of questions in that category may vary from one form of the test to another.			

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WHEN should you take the Praxis Core?

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Once you have prepared for the exam,

You can take the Reading & Writing exams after completion of English (ENG) requirement.



You can take the Math exam after completion of a college level math class.

Elementary & Early Childhood Education students should wait until after MAT 221 & MAT 222.

If you take a Praxis prep class, you should take the exam shortly after the workshop.

WHEN can you take the Praxis Core?

Praxis Core exams are now offered continuously throughout the year.

When you choose a testing center, you can select a time on the schedule for that particular location.

Consider whether you want to take 1, 2 or 3 at a time. There is a significant discount when you take the combined test (3 tests on one day).

You can retake a test, but you must wait 21 days to do so.

WHERE can you take the Praxis Core?

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Even though the test is computer-based, you must go to a testing center to take the exam.

You can choose a testing location that is convenient for you:

<http://etsis4.ets.org/tcenter/tcenter.jsp>

AACC (Arundel Mills) is now a testing center for the Praxis Core.

HOW can you prepare for the Praxis Core?

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Check the AACC Praxis website for updates:

<http://bit.ly/TEACHToolkit>

Access the Free Study Guide from Study Guide Zone:

<http://www.studyguidezone.com/pdfs/praxisteststudyguide.pdf>


Review the Study Companion for each exam:

<http://bitly.com/praxiscore>

Access a FREE online practice test:

<http://libguides.aacc.edu/terc>

HOW can you prepare for the Praxis Core?



The screenshot displays the homepage of the Testing & Education website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with the following items: Home, High School Tools, College Prep Tools, Career Tools, and International Tools. Below the menu is a large banner with the heading "Achieve Your Potential with an Advanced Degree" and a photograph of a woman working on a laptop. The banner text includes: "Find the graduate program that's right for you, search for scholarships and awards, get admission advice including the GRE, GMAT, LSAT, GRE, and TOEFL. [View More](#)". Below the banner is a secondary navigation bar with links for High School Tools, College Prep Tools, Career Tools, Graduate School Tools, and International Tools. At the bottom of the page, there are two columns of text. The left column describes the Testing & Education Resource Center as a tool for finding resources and support materials. The right column describes the Faculty Center Planning Center as a tool for finding resources for college-level preparation. A watermark "Recorded with SCREENCAST.MY" is visible in the bottom left corner of the screenshot.

HOW do you register for the Praxis Core?

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Register online on the ETS website:

Visit <http://www.ets.org/praxis/register/> for more information.

Paper application required for:

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations

Non-native English speakers requesting extended time

HOW much does the Praxis Core cost?

Students eligible for financial aid can request a fee waiver:
https://www.ets.org/praxis/about/fees/fee_waivers/

Praxis[®] Test Fees

Test Code	Test Title	Construct ²	Duration ³	Fee
<i>Praxis[®] Core Academic Skills for Educators</i>				
5712	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Reading	SR	1 hr. 25 mins.	\$90
5722	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Writing	SR/CR	1 hr. 40 mins.	\$90
5732	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Mathematics	SR	1 hr. 25 mins.	\$90
5751	Core Academic Skills for Educators: Combined Test (Reading, Writing and Mathematics)	SR/CR	5 hours	\$150

WHO has any questions?

Questions??? Please contact...

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