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Back to Basics – Ten Essentials for GED® Success

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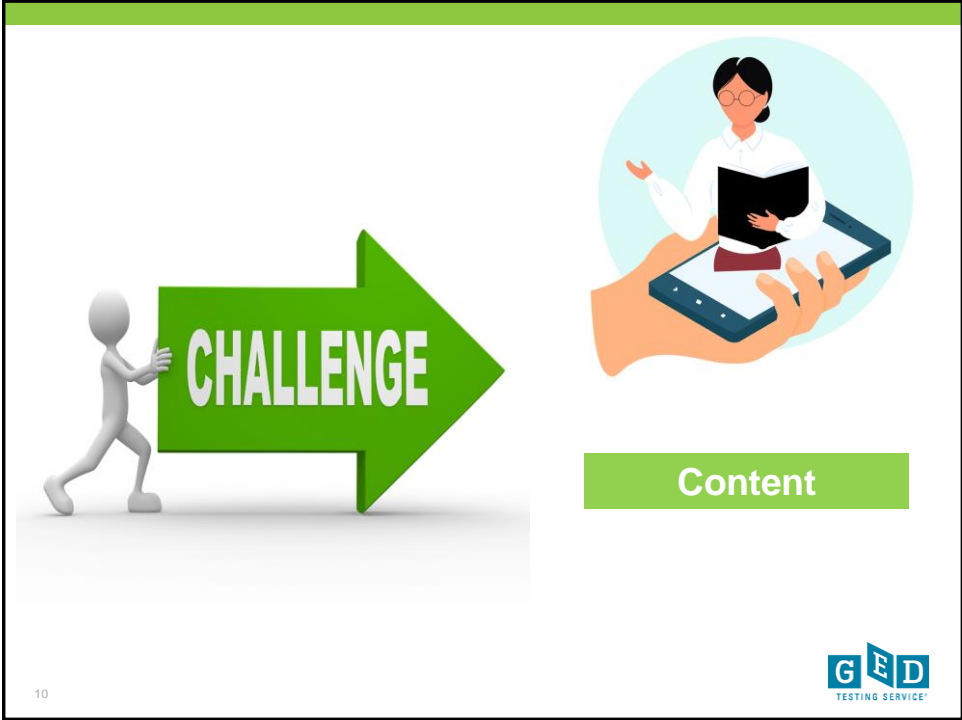
In this session, we will...

- Focus on getting back to basics in the GED classroom
- Discuss 10 essential areas for instruction
- Review survey results from the January Tuesday for Teachers session
- Review how you can go more in-depth in some of the areas at GED.com



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Ten Essentials for Students


RLA	Math
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Reading Comprehension2. Interpreting Graphics3. Making Inferences4. Analyzing Arguments5. Writing Effectively	<ol style="list-style-type: none">6. Understanding Concepts7. Analyzing Data8. Using Formulas9. Interpreting Word Problems10. Understanding Algebra Basics

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Reading Comprehension



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Reading Rate and Fluency

Reading fluency – the speed and ease with which one reads connected text aloud with accuracy, speed, and appropriate phrasing

Reading rate – how quickly you read silently with understanding

Home Level 1-2 Level 3-4 Level 5-6 Level 7-8 Level 9-10 Level 11-12 Level 13-14 Level 15-16 More

Directions

- Pre Questions.pdf
- Post Questions.pdf
- Supplement.docx
- Story.pdf

Pressures of an Adult Student

0 Adult students experience a lot of pressure. Being an adult
10 student is difficult for me because I am responsible for more
21 than just school. I need to pay bills, coordinate my work and
33 school schedules, and take care of my family.
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51 I am responsible for personal payments while going to school,
66 such as my car and cell phone. When I bought my car, I had to
78 borrow money from the bank. I need to repay the bank which
90 includes interest. I need to make a monthly payment. If I don't
104 make the payment on time, the bank will charge me a fee. If I
114 don't pay at all, the bank will take my car.

125 I have to manage my work and school schedules. My work
134 schedule changes every month. For example, this month I
145 work from Thursday to Saturday. That's a good fit with my
157 school schedule. I can go to class three days a week this
167 month. Next month my work schedule changes. I work from
177 Monday through Wednesday, and can only go to school one
180 day a week.

191 Spending time with my family is more difficult when I'm going
205 to school. I don't even have enough time to go to a movie with
207 my wife!

219 Even though there is a lot of pressure with being an adult
233 student, I am very happy that I can go to school. I am learning
245 the English language and more about U.S. culture. It is a very
247 rewarding experience.

Count Down Timer

01:00

Start
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Reset

1st Reading - Pressures of an Adult Student
▶ 00:00 / 00:00

2nd Reading - Pressures of an Adult Student
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3rd Reading - Pressures of an Adult Student
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<https://www.readingskills4today.com/>

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Tiered Vocabulary

https://www.academia.edu/6556194/An_Introduction_to_the_Academic_Word_List_What_is_the_Academic_Word_List?auto=download

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Teach Skills

Before Reading	During Reading	After Reading
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look at title Review headings and subheadings Identify structure Activate prior knowledge Determine Purpose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask Question Make connections based on what they already know *Use signal words Use context to identify unfamiliar words Reread and make notes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summarize Ask clarifying questions Evaluate what has been read Discuss with the group



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Interpreting Graphics

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Visuals

"WHEN EXCLUSIVE COURSES TELL US THAT A SUBJECT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AND ALSO THAT NO DEFENSE LITIGATION HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AND ALSO THAT POLICE HAVE NO DEFENSE, AND IN EACH NONE OF THE MAY BE TRUE...BUT YOU HEARD IT FROM THE NEWS!"

1750-1939 Timeline

"LET'S GET A LOCK FOR THIS THING!"

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GIST That Graphic

The GIST is a reading strategy that:

- Improves a student's ability to comprehend the main idea of a graphic
- Provides a prescription for answering
 - Who?
 - What?
 - Where?
 - When?
 - Why?
 - How?
- Helps the student summarize the main idea of a graphic
- Incorporates graphic/visual literacy and writing, both necessary skills for students

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Making Inferences

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Move from Simple to Complex

Inference = Finding the Clues

From Simple to			→	Complex	
Pictures/ Advertisements	Comics	Sentences		Short paragraphs	Longer, more intricate passages – fiction/ mysteries
				Longer, more intricate passages – nonfiction	

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Inferences

Proficient readers can “read between the lines” and draw deeper understanding and appreciation for what is being read.



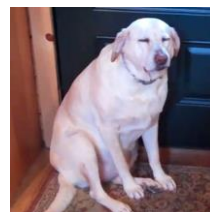
Types of Inferences	
Location	Time
Action	Instrument
Object	Category
Occupation or Pastime	Cause-Effect
Problem-Solution	Feeling-Attitude



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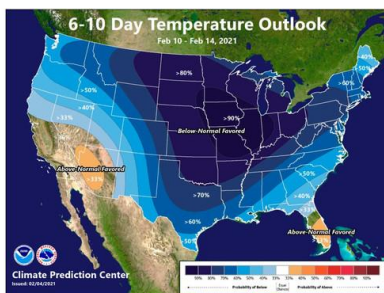
Do Quick Inference Checks

1. A character in a story has a diaper in her hand, spit-up on her shirt, and a bottle warming on the counter.
2. A detective enters the house, which has been ransacked. He sees blood on the floor, and it leads out the back door.



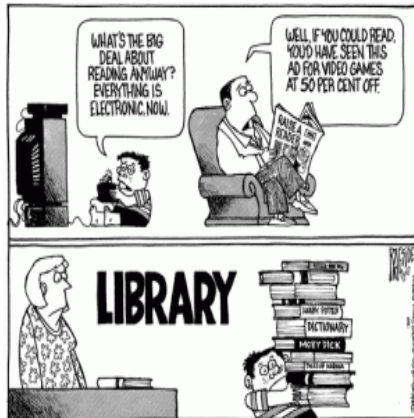
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Remember - Inference is Process-Driven



The art of inference:

- Using active reading skills (beyond the basics)
- Engaging with the text and/or information presented
 - Questioning
 - Thinking critically
 - Making connections

Students need to be reminded that an inference is not a wild guess!



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Analyzing Arguments



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Writing Effectively



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"It's still just grammar, but now they think it's cool."

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That's Better!

Dear Jane,

I was delighted to read your letter last week. It's always a pleasure to receive the latest news and to hear that you and your family had a great summer.

We spent last week at the beach, and we had so much fun on the sand and in the water. We explored the coast, but we weren't prepared for the rains that came at the end of the vacation. The best parts of the trip were the opportunities to sightsee and relax.

My kids are back in school too. I find there are fewer things to worry about now that the kids are at school all day. There are plenty of fun things to do in the summer, but by August, I've run out of ideas. I've accepted the fact that we'll have to think up brand-new activities next summer, though; I'm hoping to round up some creative ideas soon.

Thanks again for your letter!

Sincerely,
Karen

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Successful Writers

Successful Writers	
Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyze the task • Understand and apply all the elements of an essay • Create goals for their writing • Develop plans to achieve their goals • Discuss how and why a plan will work
Organize	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop multiple ideas • Organize their ideas
Draft/write	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write using an organized plan, but adjust goals when obstacles arise • Use vocabulary accurately • Experience fewer difficulties with the elements of an essay • Generate sentences that support their ideas
Edit and Revise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edit spelling, capitalization, and punctuation • Make more content revisions • Correct overall appearance


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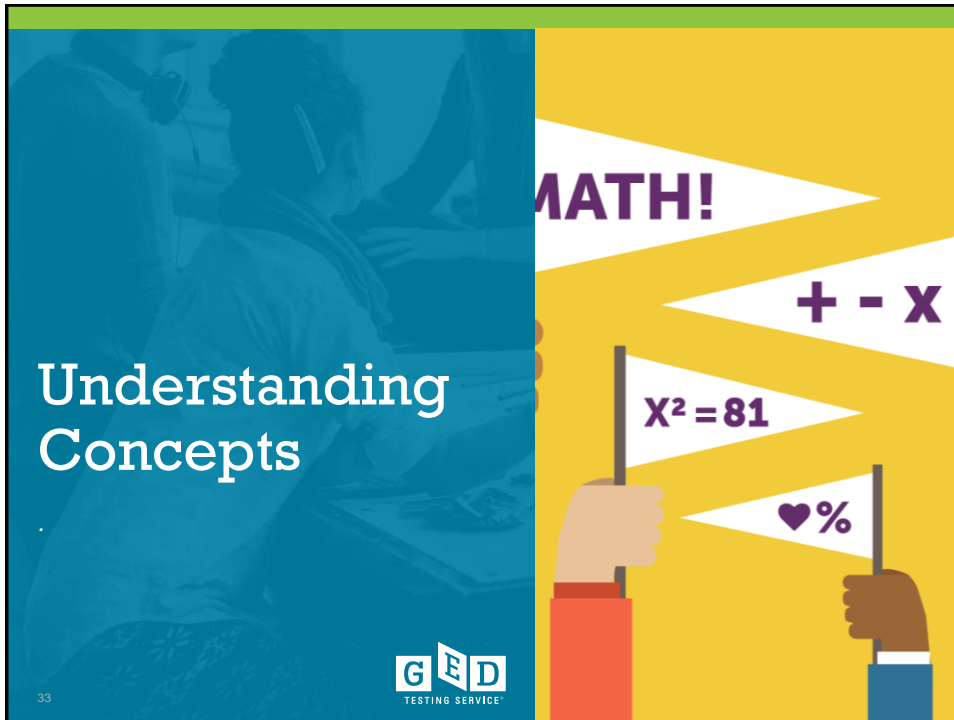
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Ten Essentials

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What Went Wrong?

Examine each of the following images. What went wrong in each scenario?

A

$$1.75 + 7 =$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.75 \\ + 7 \\ \hline 1.82 \end{array}$$

B

$$3x + 7 = 10x$$

C

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{2}{5}$$

D

Do you notice a pattern or commonality between all the errors above? Explain.

Special Credit to Kate Redmon – Light and Salt Learning,
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The Learning Pit

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Identify a Key Concept

More than facts!
What does it mean to multiply?
What is a prime number?
What is a variable?

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Create a Cognitive Conflict

Question assumptions and test reasoning.
That's how. But why?
Is that always true? What about...?

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Build and Use Thinking Skills

Guide students in practicing reasoning skills

- Synthesizing and analyzing information
- Defining and generalizing
- Summarizing and paraphrasing
- Supporting their ideas
- Collaborative learning
- Evaluating the strength of an argument

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Deep Understanding

Deep, conceptual understanding of topic and the "Eureka!" byproducts

- Reasoning skills
- Metacognitive skills
- Perseverance AKA "grit"
- Confidence AKA "growth mindset"
- Joy!

Based on the research of [James Nottingham, Challenging Learning](#)

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Interpreting Data (It's Not Just for Math)

MATH!

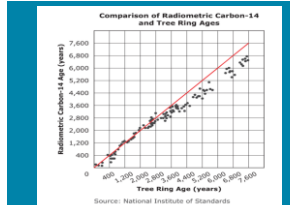
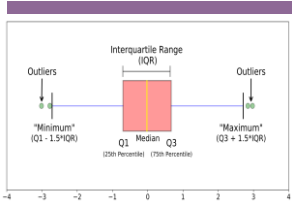
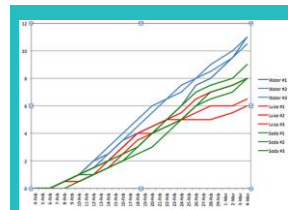
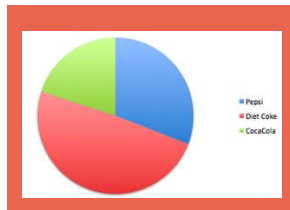
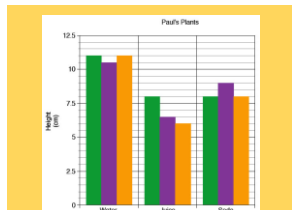
+ - x

x² = 81

♥%

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Tables and Graphs Galore!



Institution	Rank	Holdings
Harvard University	1	13,369,855
U. of Connecticut	50	2,626,06
Mass. Institute Tech.	73	2,448,647
Syracuse University	81	2,392,147

Box Plots Video

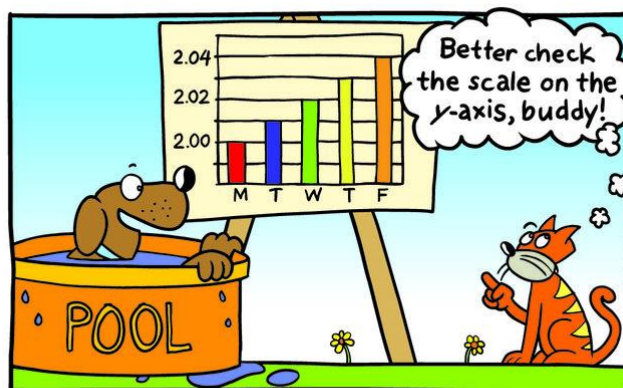
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Misleading or Not? That Is the Question!



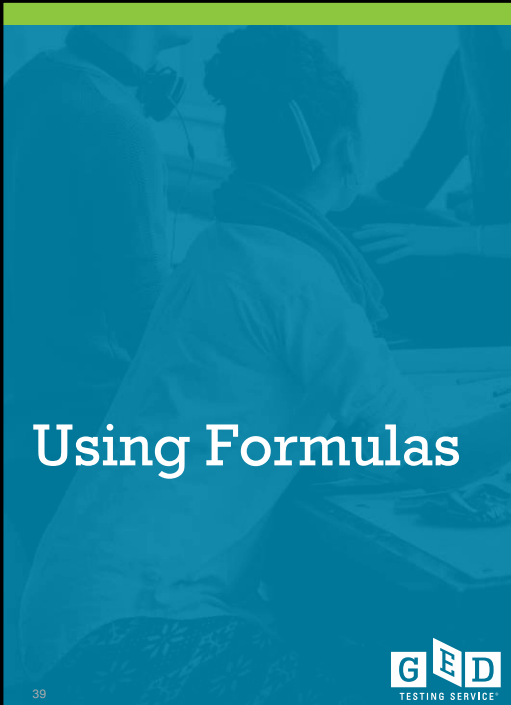
"Wow. The number of minutes I can dog paddle is growing like crazy!"




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Using Formulas





2014 GED® Test Mathematics Formula Sheet

Area of a:

parallelogram $A = bh$

trapezoid $A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2)$

Surface Area and Volume of a:

rectangular/right prism $SA = ph + 2B$ $V = Bh$

cylinder $SA = 2\pi rh + 2\pi r^2$ $V = \pi r^2 h$

pyramid $SA = \frac{1}{2}ps + B$ $V = \frac{1}{3}Bh$

cone $SA = \pi rs + \pi r^2$ $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$

sphere $SA = 4\pi r^2$ $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$
(p = perimeter of base B ; π = 3.14)

Algebra

slope of a line $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$

slope-intercept form of the equation of a line $y = mx + b$

point-slope form of the equation of a line $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$

standard form of a quadratic equation $y = ax^2 + bx + c$


quadratic formula $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$


Pythagorean Theorem $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

simple interest $I = prt$
(I = interest, p = principal, r = rate, t = time)


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Geometry – It’s Everywhere!




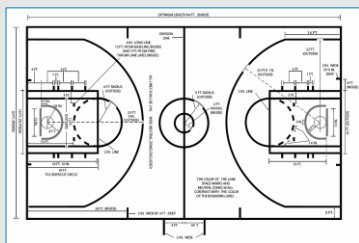



WITHOUT GEOMETRY



LIFE IS POINTLESS








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Learn the Fundamentals

Shapes	Properties	Language
Square Parallelogram Triangle Circle Rhombus Trapezoid Cube Sphere Cylinder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angles • Sides • Face • Vertices • Parallel Sides • Curved Side 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plane • Solid • Congruent • Similar • Circumference • Diameter • Radius • Complementary • Supplementary

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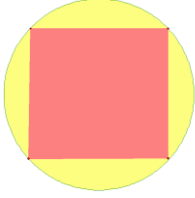
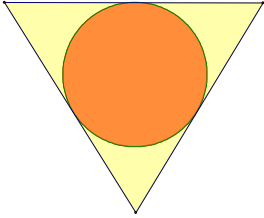


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Van Hiele Levels of Geometric Reasoning


<https://www.mathgiraffe.com/blog/understanding-van-hiele-levels-for-geometry>

- Visualization
- Analysis
- Informal Deduction
- Deduction
- Rigor

- Levels are sequential; move through prior levels to get to a level
- Levels not age dependent
- Need appropriate experiences to advance
- Inappropriate experiences inhibit learning

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Interpreting Word Problems

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Reading and Reasoning Process

- First Read: Read for Understanding
- Second Read: Identify a Problem-Solving Process
- Third Read: Solve the Problem and Check for Reasonableness

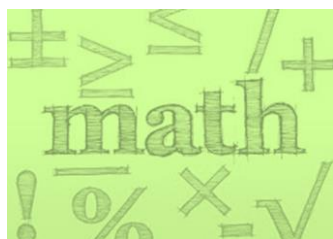
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Second Read: Identify a Problem-Solving Process

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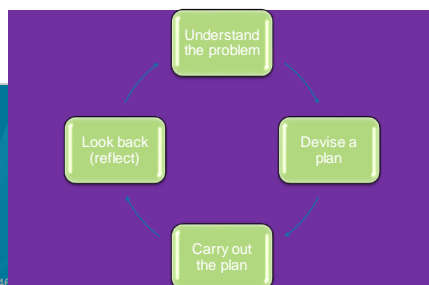
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It's better to solve on problem five different ways than to solve five different problems

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George Polya, Mathematician
Stanford University




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Use a Math Translation Guide

English	Math	Example	Translation
What, a number	x, n, etc.	Three more than a number is 8.	$n + 3 = 8$
Equals, is, was, has, costs	=	Danny is 16 years old. A CD costs 15 dollars.	$d = 16$ $c = 15$
Is greater than Is less than At least, minimum At most, maximum	> < ≥ ≤	Jenny has more money than Ben. Ashley's age is less than Nick's. There are at least 30 questions on the test. Sam can invite a maximum of 15 people to his party.	$j > b$ $a < n$ $t \geq 30$ $s \leq 15$
More, more than, greater, than, added to, total, sum, increased by, together	+	Kecia has 2 more video games than John. Kecia and John have a total of 11 video games.	$k = j + 2$ $k + j = 11$
Less than, smaller than, decreased by, difference, fewer	-	Jason has 3 fewer CDs than Carson. The difference between Jenny's and Ben's savings is \$75.	$j = c - 3$ $j - b = 75$
Of, times, product of, twice, double, triple, half of, quarter of	x	Emma has twice as many books as Justin. Justin has half as many books as Emma.	$e = 2 \times j$ or $e = 2j$ $j = c \times \frac{1}{2}$ or $j = e/2$
Divided by, per, for, out of, ratio of ___ to ___	÷	Sophia has \$1 for every \$2 Daniel has. The ratio of Daniel's savings to Sophia's savings is 2 to 1.	$s = d \div 2$ or $s = d/2$ $d/s = 2/1$



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Problem Solving Strategies

K	N	W	S
What facts do I KNOW from the information in the problem?	What information do I NOT need?	What does the problem WANT me to find?	What STRATEGY or operations will I use to solve the problem?

“**SOLVE**” is a strategy used to solve word problems. Each letter in SOLVE represents one of the 5 steps in solving a word problem

Study the problem

Organize the facts

Line up a plan

Verify your plan with action

Examine the results

SQRQCQ is a six-step study strategy designed to help students read and solve problems.

Survey – Scan the problem to get a general idea of what it's about. Clarify terms.

Question – What is the problem about, and what is the information in the problem?

Read – Identify relationships and facts needed to solve the problem.

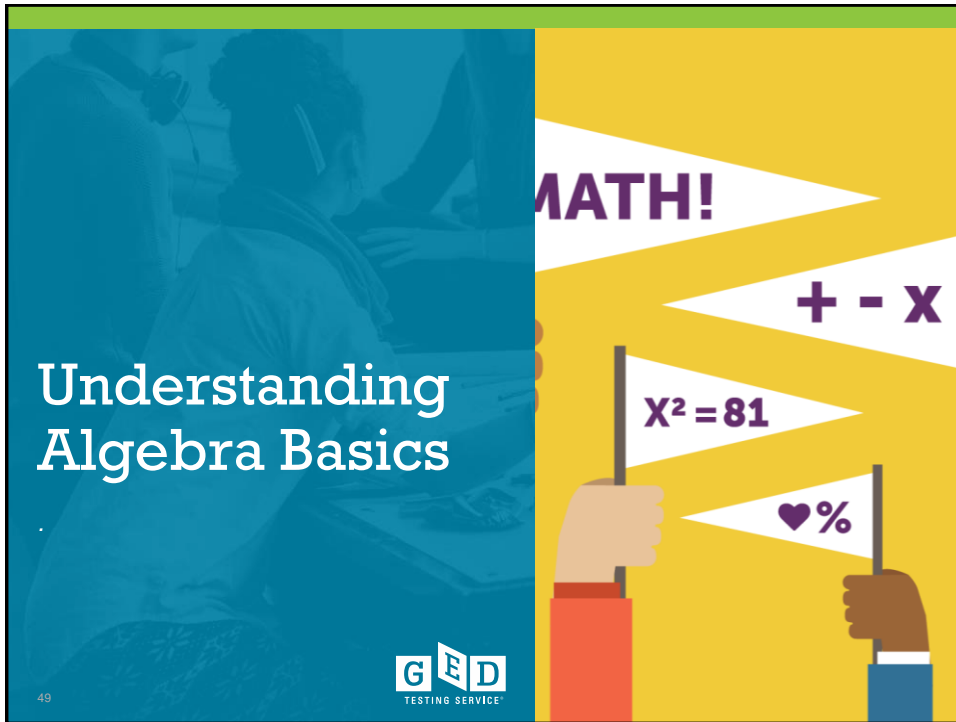
Question – What to do? How to solve the problem?

Compute or construct – Do the computations or construct a solution.

Question – Are the calculations correct? Does the solution make sense? Is the algebra correct, if used?

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Remember . . .

- Arithmetic is doing something to numbers to get an answer.
- Algebra is exploring the relationships between numbers.

Look we have
 $10x + 25 = 75$

Now
 $10x = 50$

Finally
 $x = 5$

But if 'x'
equals 5 why did
you call it 'x' in
the first place?

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Symbolic Notation

Sign	Arithmetic	Algebra
= (equal)	. . . And the answer is	Equivalence between two quantities
+	Addition operation	Positive number
-	Subtraction operation	Negative number

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Use Multiple Representations

- Start with the concrete
- Represent problems using symbols, expressions, and equations, tables, and graphs
- Model real-world situations
- Complete problems different ways (flexibility in problem solving)


Equation	Tile Model	Written Description	Mathematical Procedure
$3x + 4 = -2$		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Given 2. Add 4 negatives to each side 3. Collect Like terms 4. Divide each side into three equal groups 5. Simplify 6. Check 	$3x + 4 = -2$ $-4 = -4$ $3x = -6$ $\frac{-3}{-3} = \frac{3}{-3}$ $x = -2$

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“Practice isn’t the thing you do once you’re good. It’s the thing you do that makes you good.” - Malcolm Gladwell

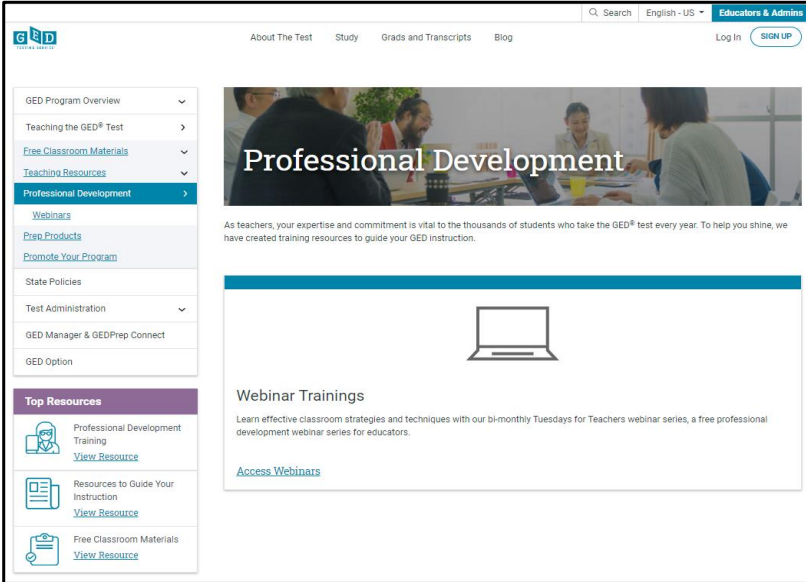
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2		Trick or Treat Mining GED Ready Score Reports GED Testing Service 1:36:10
3		Changes You've Been Asking for: The RLA Test Screen & Score Reports GED Testing Service 1:32:19
4		One Site Fits All – Welcome to GED.com GED Testing Service 1:33:19
5		Graphic Organizers – Powerful Tools for the Classroom GED Testing Service 1:16:13
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
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Take a Few Minutes for You!

Remember to take care of yourself.
You can't pour from an empty cup.



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Take Care of Yourself!

Be Aware



Support Yourself



Do Something Different



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Q & A



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