

HSE OVERVIEW

High School Equivalency Tests 2024



| | GED® | HiSET® |
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| TEST OVERVIEW | | |
| Number of Sections | 4 | 5 |
| Cost for Whole Test <i>(Ohio pricing, Costs vary by state)</i> | \$144, \$64 with voucher Per Section: \$36, \$16 with voucher | Paper \$115 \$35 with voucher Computer \$94 \$14 with voucher |
| Ways to Take Test | Computer Only | Paper/Pencil or Computer |
| Where to Sign Up | www.ged.com | www.hiset.ets.org |
| Scoring system | Score range of 100-200 Passing score 145 or higher Maximum score of 200 | Minimum score of 0 Passing score of 8 in each section (must also get 2 out of 6 on the essay) 45 total points required to pass |
| HOW WILL I CHOOSE WHICH TEST TO TAKE? | | |
| CONSIDER GED IF YOU... | CONSIDER HiSET IF YOU... | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have already taken portions of the GED Already have a GED voucher Can do well on Language Arts questions but may struggle with writing Like variety and are comfortable with computer-based questions Want Science & Social Studies closely tied to reading skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prefer a paper test / are not comfortable on a computer Want to spend the least amount of money Like writing, and can learn to write well enough to help raise Language Arts score Prefer multiple choice questions Feel comfortable with Science and Social Studies and can apply concepts | |

LANGUAGE ARTS

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| Time | 150 Minutes | READING 65 Minutes | WRITING 120 Minutes |
| Types of Questions | Multiple Choice Drag & Drop Drop-Down Menu Extended Response (the Essay) | Multiple Choice | Multiple Choice Essay |
| Subjects Covered | 30% Literary Texts 70% Informational Texts Argumentative Essay | 60% Literary Text 40% Informational Text | 60% Literary Text 40% Informational Text Argumentative Essay |
| Min. Essay Score | No minimum | | 2 out of 6 |

MATH

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| Time | 115 Minutes | 90 Minutes | |
| Types of Questions | Multiple Choice Drag & Drop | Drop-Down Menu Hotspots | Multiple Choice |
| Subjects Covered | 45% Quantitative (numbers based) 55% Algebraic (variable based) | 19% Order of Operations 18% Measurement & Geometry 18% Data Analysis & Probability 45% Algebra | |
| Calculator Usage | 5-7 questions with no calculator TI--30XS for the rest | TI-30XS calculator for the entire test | |

SOCIAL STUDIES

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| Time | 70 Minutes | 70 Minutes | | |
| Type of Questions | Multiple Choice Drag & Drop Drop-Down Menu | Multiple Choice | | |
| Subjects Covered | Civics & Government US History | Economics Geography | Civics & Government US History & World History | Economics Geography |

SCIENCE

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| Time | 90 Minutes | 80 Minutes | | |
| Type of Questions | Multiple Choice Drag & Drop Drop-Down Menu | Multiple Choice | | |
| Subjects Covered | Life Science Chemistry Physics | Geology Meteorology Astronomy | Life Science Chemistry Physics | Geology Meteorology Astronomy |