

Course Introduction

Welcome to New Readers Press Online Learning!

Your new GED course comes loaded with great features to make studying easy and fun. Before you begin, you'll learn how to use every feature in this course.

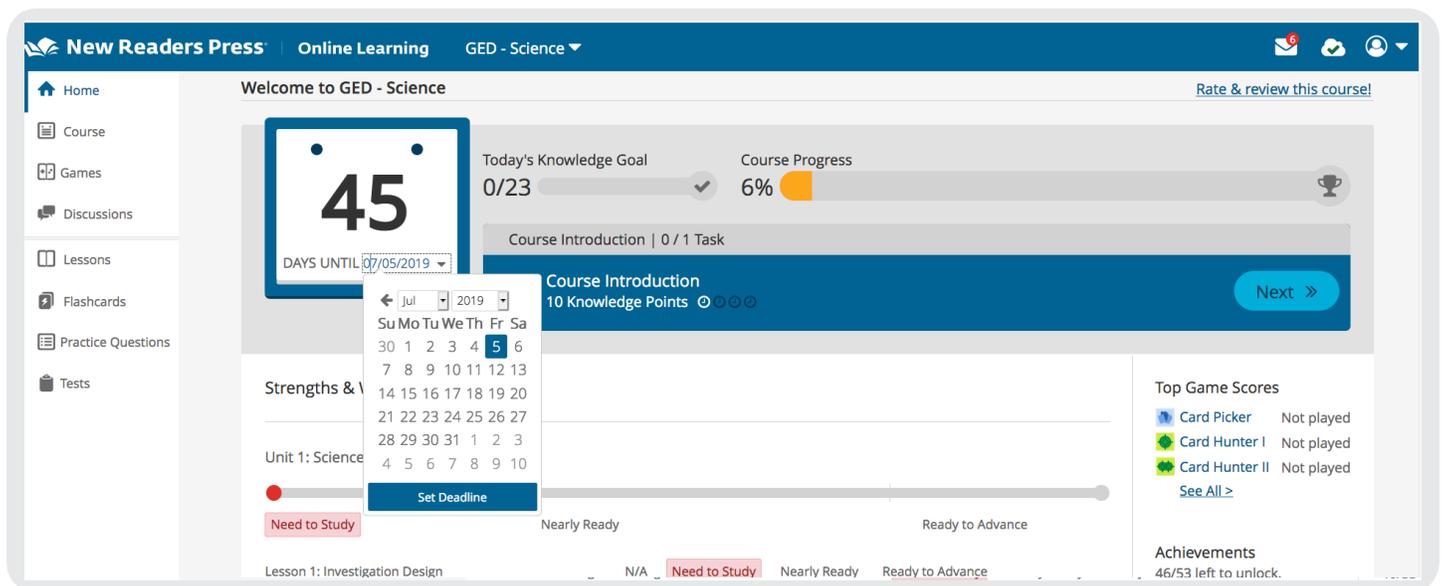


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The Home Page

When you first log in, you will be taken to the **Home** page. There are a number of features on this page to become familiar with.

First is the **Course Calendar**. This shows your target date to complete the course and will be set for 90 days. The course calculates Knowledge Goals based on that date and tells you how many Knowledge Points you need to complete each time you log in. However, if you know you will be studying for a longer or shorter period of time, you can click on the **Study Plan Target Date** on the calendar to change it. The number of days and daily Knowledge Goals will be recalculated. Don't worry if you aren't in the course every day. Knowledge Goals are always based on the number of days left and automatically update each time you log in.



On the Home page, you will also see Top Game Scores and Achievements and your Strengths and Weaknesses, which you will learn more about a little later.

To access your account at any time, click on the **person icon** at the top right of the blue navigation bar. Use the drop-down menu to get Help, or to log out. The **cloud icon** shows you that your course is fully updated, and the **envelope icon** will alert you to any messages you have.

You will also notice a list of links on the left side of the screen. Click on:

- **Home** to return you to the Home page.
- **Course** to see an outline of the tasks in every unit in the course. Items with a green check mark have been completed. Use the Course link to navigate through the course and complete tasks in your Structured Plan.
- **Games** to play four games for extra vocabulary and skills practice.
- **Discussions** to see messages from your teacher.
- **Lessons** to see a table of contents of the entire course. Click a lesson to review any topic.
- **Flashcards** to review each vocabulary word with its definition. You can also print the flashcards to study offline.
- **Practice Questions** to see your progress on lesson questions. Click a lesson to review questions.
- **Tests** to see the Unit Reviews, Pretest, Posttest, and Practice Test. Click on a test to review questions and answer explanations.

Rate Your Confidence

Rate Your Confidence

High

Medium

Low

Continue »

Before you can move to the next page in any lesson, you will need to “Rate Your Confidence.” You will find this feature on the right side of the screen. How confident do you feel about the information you learned on the page?

- ◀ Click **High** if you think you have learned the information very well.
- ◀ Click **Medium** if you think you did OK, but might need more review.
- ◀ Click **Low** if you think you did not learn the information well.

On the last page of a lesson, click **Finish Task** after you rate your confidence. This will move you on to the next task.

Getting Started

Each time you log in, the blue **Next** button on the Home page will direct you to the next task you need to complete. Use the **Next** button to move through the course in order. If at any time you leave the course, the **Next** button will take you to where you left off. If you finish a task, **Next** will take you to the next new task.

Welcome to GED - Math [Rate & review this course!](#)

Today's Knowledge Goal: 6/21 ✓

Course Progress: 1% 🏆

GED Math PreTest | 0 / 1 Task

GED Math PreTest
92 Knowledge Points ○○○○

Next »

Knowledge Points

Unit 2 - Lesson 1: Organization of Life
8 Knowledge Points ○○○○

Every task is assigned a certain number of Knowledge Points. When you complete a task, you earn Knowledge Points toward your Knowledge Goal for the day. Reaching your daily goals will keep you on track to finish the course by your Target Date.

Pretest

Before you begin making your way through the lessons, you will be directed to complete a Pretest. This test will tell you what you know and what you might need to study. Don't worry if you don't know every answer in the Pretest. By the end of the course, you will have covered all of the topics.

GED - Science Pretest This question: 00:13 Total: 00:13 Pause Test

Question 1 of 35 Toolbox

A group of students have three antacid tablets, all the same size and makeup. They have three beakers full of water, labeled X, Y, and Z. They drop one tablet into each of the beakers and then time how long it takes for the tablet in each beaker to dissolve. Their results are shown in the table.

Sample	Temperature of Water (°C)	Time for Tablet to Dissolve (seconds)
X	20	40
Y	30	25
Z	40	10

× A

× B

× C

× D

Confirm

Question Types

You will see a variety of question types in each course:

- **Multiple Choice**—Most questions are multiple choice. Choose the best answer from four options: A, B, C, or D. You can either click the answer below the question, or click the letter in the list on the right. After you make your choice, click **Confirm** to see the correct answer or to move to the next question.

Lesson 2: Geography Basics This question: 00:54 Total: 01:18 Done practicing

Question 5 of 5 Review Answer

Q. The earth is a sphere. One imaginary line which divides the earth into two hemispheres (half spheres) is _____.

A. the north pole
B. longitude
C. the equator
D. the meridian

✕ A
✕ B
✕ C
✕ D

- **Drop-Down**—Choose the correct option from a drop-down menu that shows the choices. Often the word or phrase you choose will complete a sentence. Click **Select One** to see the drop-down choices. Choose the best answer, then click **Confirm**.

Lesson 1: Types of Maps This question: 00:19 Total: 00:20 Done practicing

Question 2 of 5 Review Answer

Select the correct answer.

Q. A road map could best be considered a special type of _____ map.

▼ Select one
physical
climate
thematic
political

Confirm
Skip

- **Fill in the Blank**—Click on a box, then type a word or number to answer a question. Pay attention to your spelling. If the answer is a number, there may be more than one acceptable answer. For example, if the answer is 3,300, you may type 3,300 or 3300. If the correct answer is 0.05, you may type .05 or 0.05. Follow the directions carefully. For example, you might be instructed to round your answer to the nearest whole number. When you have typed your answer, click **Confirm**.

Question 18 of 22 ✎ ✎

Q. In an informal _____, the writer lists essay ideas in three broad categories: the introduction, the body, and the conclusion.

This question requires you to input an answer

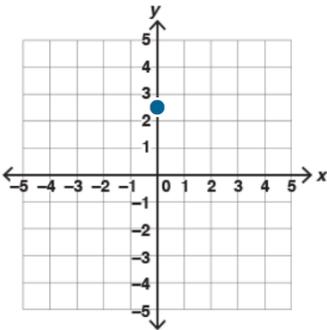
Answer here
Confirm

- **Drag and Drop**—You may need to categorize information, place answers in the correct place in a table, or put items in the correct order. To do this, click on the item you want to move. While pressing the button on your mouse, move the mouse to drag the item to where you want to place it. Then release the button to drop the item in the correct place. When you have finished answering all parts of the question, click **Confirm**.
- **Hot Spot**—Some questions will ask you to identify a correct location on a graphic. This could include a coordinate plane, a graph, or a map. Click the location on the graphic and then click **Confirm**.

Question 5 of 7

Click on the *y*-intercept for the equation shown.

Q. $2x + 3y = 6$



Confirm

Skip

Difficulty Level: Unrated

- **Essay**—The extended response or essay question begins with two reading passages. Read the passages. Highlight or take notes about important points such as main ideas and evidence. Scroll down to see the prompt, or directions, for your essay. When you are ready to start typing, click on the “Write answer” box to the right. Your cursor will move to an expandable box at the bottom of the page, below the prompt. Type your response here. The box will expand as you type. Click the “Confirm” button to submit your essay. Your teacher will then inform you on how they will score your essay.

Course Outline

Click **Course** on the left of the Home screen to see an outline called a Structured Plan. You will be able to see every task in the course and the Knowledge Points assigned to each task. Each Lesson in the course includes three tasks:

- **Lesson**—will cover the content of the lesson.
- **Flashcards**—give you a chance to study the meanings of key vocabulary terms.
- **Practice Questions**—will briefly assess your understanding of the lesson.

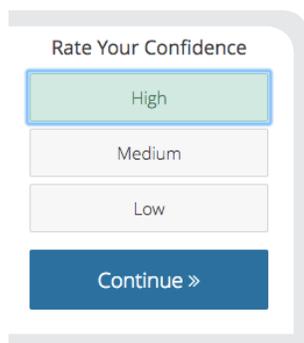
Use the **Next** button to quickly move through each task in order.

After you complete each study task, you will see a recap of your progress. You will also have the option to review the task. When you are ready, click **Next** to move to the next task in your Structured Plan.

You may skip around through the course and complete tasks in any order. You can do this from the Course view. Whether you follow through the course in order or skip around, any Knowledge Points you earn will be applied to your Knowledge Goal for the day.

Lessons

Each lesson covers an important concept. Lessons are broken into multiple pages so you can focus on one idea at a time.



A form titled "Rate Your Confidence" with four buttons: "High" (green), "Medium" (light gray), "Low" (light gray), and "Continue »" (dark blue).

Rate Your Confidence: You must rate your confidence to move to the next page. If you feel like you understand the information in the lesson, click **High**. If you are having trouble with the content, click **Low**. If you are not sure, you can click **Medium**. Later you can sort lessons by Confidence Level to review the lessons you rated Medium or Low.

Making Notes: In the top right corner of each lesson you will find tools to mark important text or take notes as you read. **Highlight** important text, make a **note** about something you read, or **bookmark** a page to return to. You will be able to revisit any of these notes later.

Videos: Some lessons include videos that further explain or demonstrate a topic. Click on the play arrow to watch the video.

Tips: Click **Show** in the tip boxes to open and read them. You will see a variety of tips in each course. You can click Hide to close a tip.

Key Point

[Hide](#)

Look for clues about characters in the way other characters react to them. For example, a character whom none of the other characters like is probably unpleasant in some way.

- **Key Points** and Key Ideas summarize the most important information you should take from a lesson.
- **Skills Tips** add to the instruction or give examples of concepts.
- **Vocabulary Tips** help you understand the meanings of key terms.
- **Test Strategies** give you tips on how to think about a question to answer it correctly.

Social Studies: Interpreting Sources

To pass the GED Social Studies test, you must be able to analyze and interpret passages, pictures, graphics, maps, or data. Interpreting Sources items walk you through how to interpret these sources to answer questions. Some of these items will ask you to click on a plus sign (+), which will open information about how to interpret the part of the image the (+) is on or near.

Interpreting Sources: Muckrakers

Muckrakers wrote books, published articles, and took photographs. Photographer Jacob Riis created a famous series of photos called *How the Other Half Lives*. He showed the problems of immigrants and the working class in New York City. Riis used techniques that journalists avoid today. He posed people for his photos and had them re-enact events. The photos do show life for a group of people, but they are not reliable as an exact record of events in the past.

Click the + buttons to learn more.



Other Interpreting Sources items will walk you through how to answer a question that is based on a text and what to ask yourself to successfully interpret the text.

Interpreting Sources: Cold War Memo

Read this memo from the CIA director to President Truman and answer the question.

Information has been received that a conference was held ... between Russian officials, headed by Marshal Sokolovsky, and German members of the German industrial committee. Sokolovsky opened the conference by asking the German industrialists what influence on the Eastern Zone of Germany would exist because of the blockades from the Western Zone.

A German representative stated that being cut off from the West meant a complete stoppage of production of sugar refineries for lack of 50,000 meters of steel piping on order in the Western Zone ... and a certain discontinuance of the Baltic fishing fleet within a short time because of a lack of machinery parts. ... The German member then stated that the heavy industries, particularly the steel mills ... could not produce without the West and that other heavy industries in the Eastern Zone would be equally affected. The Russians appeared greatly shocked, and the Russian General ... said, "We had no idea of this situation. ... If we had known this, we would not have gone so far."

—R. H. Hillenkoetter, Director of Central Intelligence, June 30, 1948

Q. According to the memo, what surprised the Soviet leadership?

- A. the Allies could keep the city supplied using aircraft alone
- B. the subsequent Allied blockade of East Germany would hurt so much
- C. the blockade of East Germany had not been more effective
- D. the Western Allies would commit to such a prolonged and costly airlift

Think It Through

- What does the German representative say happened to East Germany?

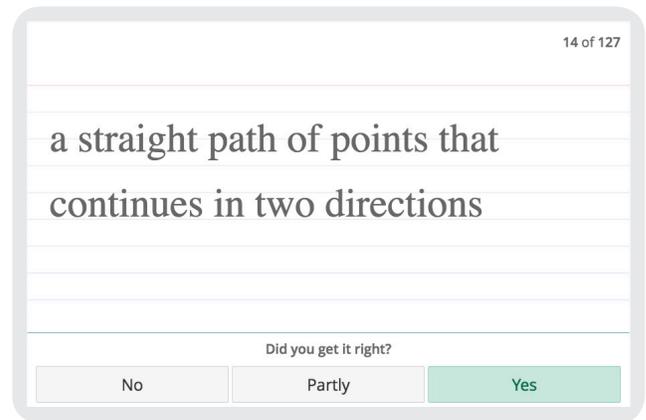
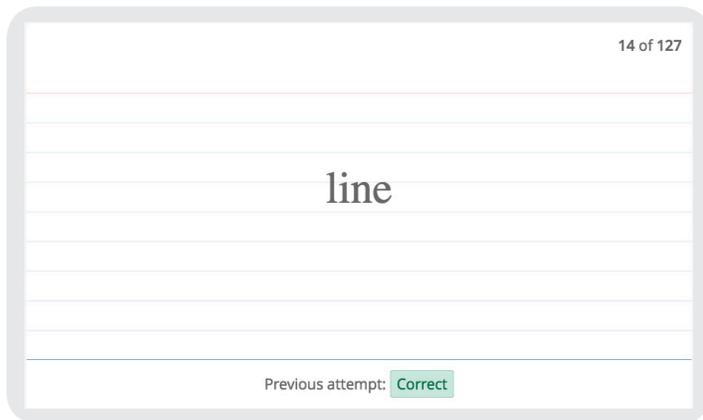
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- What is the question asking?

[Show Answer](#)

Flashcards

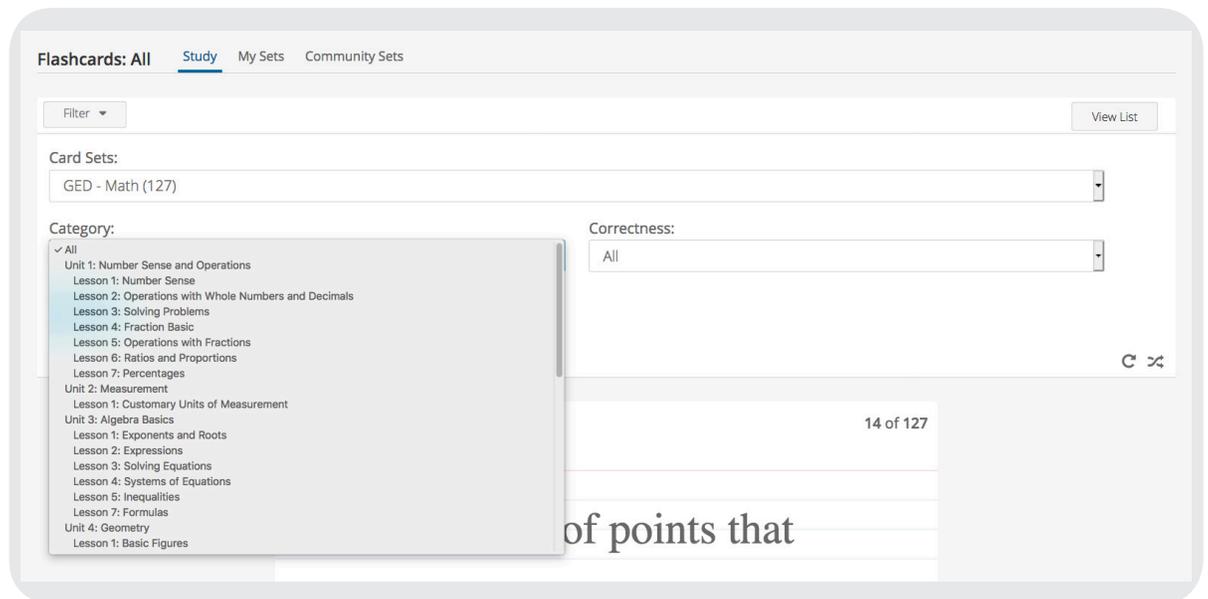
Flashcards include all the key vocabulary from the lesson. First you will see a vocabulary term on the front of a flashcard. Guess what it means. Click anywhere on the flashcard to flip the card over and see the definition. Did you get it right? If so, click **Yes**. If not, click **No**. If you got part of it right, click **Partly**. Repeat for each vocabulary term. The course will track which words you struggle with so that you can keep practicing them.



Sort Vocabulary Terms



When you click on **Flashcards** in the menu on the left of your screen, you can use the buttons at the top right to use the Adaptive Mode or to Shuffle the flashcards. Click on the Adaptive Mode icon  to prioritize the flashcards that you previously got wrong. Click on the Shuffle icon  to shuffle the cards in random order. You can also click on **Filter** to sort the ones you got wrong or only partly correct, by using Correctness. You can also filter by unit or lesson, by using Category.



Print Vocabulary Terms

If you click **View List**, you will see a list of all the vocabulary terms and their definitions. From this view, you can click **Print** to print a PDF list of the terms, or click **Study** to review all the terms.

Checking Your Progress

Practice Questions

Each lesson ends with Practice Questions to check your understanding. Answer each question and click **Confirm**. You will get immediate feedback telling you if you got the answer correct. If you get a question wrong, read the answer and explanation so you'll understand why. Then click **Continue** to move to the next question.

Practice Dashboard

Click on Practice Questions to see your Practice Dashboard. Your Practice Dashboard shows:

- **Your percent of correct answers:** You will also see the number of questions correct out of the total number answered.
- **Your average answer time:** If this is very short, you might improve your score by taking more time to answer questions. Compare the Average Correct Answer Time to the Average Incorrect Answer Time.

Practice Questions **Dashboard** Confidence Levels Notes Bookmarks

Dashboard Reset All Questions

22.0% Completion

63% Correct

38 of 173 Questions Taken | 00:00:09 Avg. Answer Time | 00:00:13 Avg. Correct Answer Time | 00:00:04 Avg. Incorrect Answer Time | 00:00:14 Avg. Session Duration

Question Categories | Reset Reports

Category Name	Complete	% Correct
Unit 1: Geography (Analyzing Maps)	26 of 27	65%
Lesson 1: Types of Maps	5 of 5	80%
Lesson 2: Geography Basics	8 of 8	75%
Lesson 3: Geographic Statistics and Models	7 of 8	43%

Unit Review

- At the end of each unit, take the Unit Review test. When you answer a question, click **Confirm** to record your answer and move to the next question. You will not see feedback on your answers until you finish the test. At any point you may click **Pause Test** to take a break and return later to finish. The next time you log in, click the **Next** button on the Home page to pick up where you left off. After you answer all of the questions, you will receive your score.
- Click on a lesson to review each question or click **Review All** to review all of the questions in a lesson. Click **Reports** to see your progress over time.

Question Review **Category Scores** Review All

#	Preview	Time
1	Q. The following events take place in a western story. Which event is an example of foreshadowing? A school bell rings, and children come running t...	0 min 26 secs
2	Q. In which part of a story do tensions and emotions reach a peak? exposition climax falling action resolution	0 min 7 secs
3	Q. In which part of a story do characters usually encounter an obstacle? exposition climax falling action resolution	0 min 7 secs
4	Q. Which word best describes an author's stance toward his or her subject matter? moral mood plot tone	0 min 6 secs

Posttest

After you have completed the course, you will take a Posttest that will assess whether you are ready to move on to the GED Practice Test. The Posttest will indicate any areas where you could improve. Then you can return to the course to study those topics and raise your score.

Practice Test

The Practice Test is half the length of the GED Test for each subject area. How you score on the Practice Test will be a good indicator of whether you are ready to take, and pass, the GED Test.

Test Dashboard

When you click **Test**, you will see your Test Dashboard. Your Test Dashboard shows:

- **Your percent of correct answers:** You will also see the number of questions correct out of the total number answered.
- **Your average answer time:** If this is very short, you might improve your score by taking more time to answer questions. Compare the Average Correct Answer Time to the Average Incorrect Answer Time.
- **Your test scores over time:** Click **Reports** to see a graph that shows if your scores are improving as you work in the course.
- **Question categories:** Check these results to see which categories you are doing well in and which ones you should study more.

The screenshot shows a user interface for a 'Tests' dashboard. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'Tests', 'Dashboard' (selected), 'Confidence Levels', 'Notes', and 'Bookmarks'. Below the tabs, the 'Dashboard' section features a progress bar indicating '37.0% Completion'. A large '47%' is displayed with 'Correct' underneath. To the right, four statistics are shown: '3 of 8 Tests Taken', '00:00:15 Avg. Answer Time', '00:00:18 Avg. Correct Answer Time', and '00:00:12 Avg. Incorrect Answer Time'. Below this, a 'Tests' section contains a table with the following data:

Test Name	Test Length	Test Time	% Correct	
GED - Reading/Language Arts PreTest	44 Questions	Unlimited	59% (26 / 44)	Complete
Unit 1: Review	25 Questions	Unlimited	72% (18 / 25)	Complete
Unit 2: Review	22 Questions	Unlimited		

Resetting Questions

You can reset the questions in the Practice Questions, Unit Reviews, Posttest, and Practice Test. If you study more and then retake a test, you have a chance to improve your score. Click on **Reset Category** for the Practice Questions and **Reset Test** in the Unit Reviews, Posttest, and Practice Test to clear out your answers and take a test again. You can reset questions three times.

Practice Questions [Dashboard](#) Confidence Levels Notes Bookmarks

Dashboard Reset All Questions

22.0% Completion

63% Correct

38 of 173 Questions Taken | 00:00:09 Avg. Answer Time | 00:00:13 Avg. Correct Answer Time

00:00:14 Avg. Session Duration

By clicking 'Confirm Reset', your Answers, Bookmarks, Notes and Confidence Levels associated with practice questions will be erased and you will be able to re-take the same questions again. This action can not be reversed.

Confirm Reset Cancel

Question Categories | Reset Reports

Category Name	Complete	% Correct
Unit 1: Geography (Analyzing Maps)	26 of 27	65%

Reset Reports and Previous Score Reports

From within the Practice Questions dashboard, you can click on the lesson name to review your answers. You will see two tabs. One says Review Category and the other says **Reset Reports**. From the Reset Reports tab, you can view your scores from your last three attempts to see how you previously did answering that same group of questions. This will allow you to track your progress and see your improvement.

Unit 2: History : Lesson 3: World History: The Early Modern Period

80.0% Completion Resume Practice

50% Correct

4 of 5 Questions Taken | 00:00:08 Avg. Answer Time | 00:00:15 Avg. Correct Answer Time | 00:00:02 Avg. Incorrect Answer Time

00:00:01 Avg. Session Duration

Review Category | **Reset Reports**

Reset Date	Completion	% Correct	Avg. Answer Time	Avg. Incorrect Answer Time	Avg. Correct Answer Time
04-23-2019	5 of 5	40.0%	0 min 22 secs	0 min 29 secs	0 min 12 secs
05-15-2019	5 of 5	60.0%	0 min 14 secs	0 min 2 secs	0 min 22 secs

When you are in the Test dashboard, scroll to the bottom and you will see your **Previous Score Report**. This tells you how you have done on any of the tests up until this point. You can only reset each test three times.

Previous Score Reports					
Test Name	Questions Taken	% Correct	Time Spent	Reset Date	State
GED - Science Pretest	14 of 35	14% (5/35)	00:01:15	05-13-2019	Incomplete

Recapping Tasks

When you finish a study task, you will see a recap of your work. A pie chart shows your Confidence Levels in the Lessons, how many terms you got correct in the Flashcards, and how you did on the Practice Questions. From this view, you have the option to review the questions or go back to the course again. Click on the blue **Next** button at the bottom of the page if you are ready to move on.

Unit 2 - Lesson 3: World History: The Early Modern Period Flashcards
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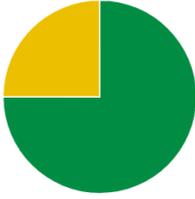
Here's a quick recap of your task:



+ 8
Knowledge Points

Today's Knowledge Goal
157 / 15 ✓

Knowledge Points
Earned Today
157 Knowledge Points



High Confidence
3 Flashcards

Medium Confidence
1 Flashcard

Low Confidence
0 Flashcards

[Review these flashcards >](#)

Next Study Task

Unit 2 - Lesson 3 | 2 / 3 Tasks

Unit 2 - Lesson 3: World History: The Early Modern Period Practice Questions
10 Knowledge Points ○○○○

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Reviewing a Lesson

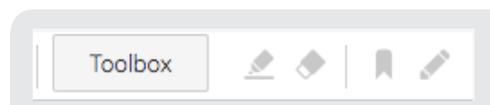
Click **Lessons** to see a list of every lesson page in the course. You will also see your Confidence Level for each page. Use the Lesson view to review any lessons you had low confidence in or in which you scored low when answering Practice Questions or Unit Review questions. You can filter the lessons by Confidence Level, and you can sort by bookmarks, notes, or categories. When you find a lesson you want to review, simply click on it. If you feel more confident after the review, you can update your Confidence Level, and either click **Continue** or click **Lessons** again to go back to the list.

Lessons		
Table of Contents Confidence Levels Notes Bookmarks Highlights		
Contents Filter ▾		
Course Introduction +		
Unit 1: Geography (Analyzing Maps) -		
Unit Opener	Unit 1 Introduction	High
	Unit 1 Map Analysis Skills	High
Unit Objectives	Unit 1 Objectives	Low
Lesson 1: Types of Maps	Types of Maps	Low
	Interpreting Sources: California's Major Cities	Medium
Lesson 2: Geography Basics	Physical Geography	Medium
	Organizing Earth's Surface	Low
	Applying Physical Geography	High
	Applying Latitude and Longitude	Medium
Lesson 3: Geographic Statistics and Models	Population Statistics	Medium
	Geographic Models	Low
	Demographic Data	High
Lesson 4: Human Geography	Fields of Human Geography	Medium
	Building Societies	High
Unit 2: History -		
Unit Opener	Unit 2 Introduction	High
	Unit 2 Reading Skills	Medium ☰
Unit Objectives	Unit 2 Objectives	High

Tools

In the top right corner of each lesson, you will find a set of tools. You may choose to use any of these tools:

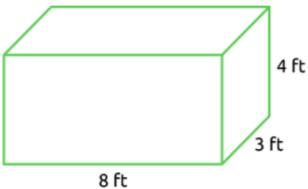
- **Toolbox:** Some courses include a Toolbox. Click on **Toolbox** to use these tools:
 - Calculator
 - Periodic Table
 - Math formula sheets



Lesson 4: Volume This question: 00:21 Total: 00:21 Done practicing

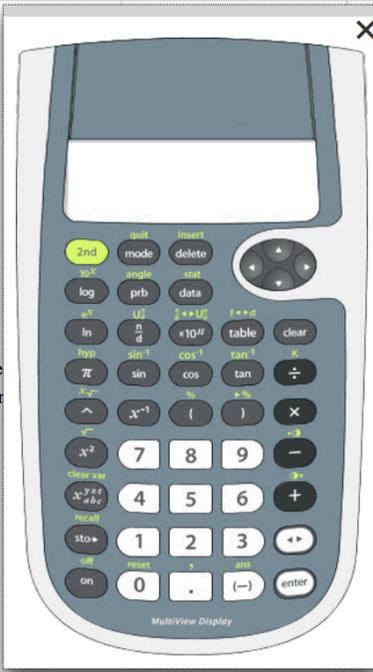
Question 1 of 8 Review Answer

Isak is shipping the container shown.



Q. In the container, Isak will pack as many smaller boxes as he can. Each smaller box is 2 feet on each side. How many of the smaller boxes can he fit in the larger container?

A. 4
B. 8
C. 12
D. 96



A
 B
 C
 D

Difficulty Level: Unrated

[Report Content Errors](#)

- **Highlight selection:** Click the **Highlight Selection** tool  to highlight information that you want to study or return to later. Click on the **Highlights** tab at the top of the Lessons view to see all text selections that you have highlighted in the course.
- **Remove highlight:** Click the **Remove Highlight** tool  if you want to erase your highlighting.
- **Bookmark this section:** Click on the **Bookmark** icon  to mark pages you want to return to. To review your bookmarked pages, choose the **Bookmarks** tab at the top of the Lessons view.
- **Record a note on this section:** Click on the **pencil** icon  if you want to write a note about a lesson. Click on the **Notes** tab at the top of the Lessons view to see all the notes you've taken.

Fun Stuff

Achievements

35/53 left to unlock.

-  Party Time
-  I'm a true bookie
-  t3h H4X0|2
-  Long-term memory l...
-  Hot streak

[See All >](#)

Achievements

As you make your way through the course, you will earn Achievements. These are fun badges that chart your progress. The Achievements you have earned will be listed on the right side of the Home page. Click **See All** to view all the Achievements you have earned and to see the ones that are still available.

Games

There are a few games you can play on your own to practice the course vocabulary. These games are just for you and only you can see your scores. Click on a game and you will be taken to a page with instructions. Choose which vocabulary words to focus on. When you are ready, click **Start** and begin playing. When you have gotten too many incorrect, your game will end and you will be given a score. You can play as many times as you'd like. You can switch games by using the tabs at the top.

<h4>Card Picker</h4>  <p>Your highest score: 3651 Your rank: 2</p> <p>Start playing</p>	<h4>Card Hunter I</h4>  <p>Your highest score: 1834 Your rank: 1</p> <p>Start playing</p>
<h4>Card Hunter II</h4>  <p>Your highest score: 0 Your rank: Not yet determined</p> <p>Start playing</p>	<h4>Sudden Death</h4>  <p>Your highest score: 3 Your rank: 2</p> <p>Start playing</p>