

ATI Test of Essential Academic Skills

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) is designed to determine the academic readiness of applicants to post-secondary education programs, and may be used as one criterion to aid screening or selection of students into nursing programs. It is also used to evaluate the academic preparedness of students entering nursing school who may need additional support to meet the academic demands of the program.

The TEAS® contains four subtests: Math, Science, English and Reading. All subtests contain multiple-choice items with one correct answer.

The **Math** subtest measures knowledge of whole numbers, metric conversion, fractions and decimals, algebraic equations, percentages, and ratio/proportion.

The **Science** subtest covers science reasoning, science knowledge, biology, chemistry, anatomy and physiology, basic physical principles, and general science.

The **English** subtest measures knowledge of punctuation, grammar, sentence structure, contextual words, and spelling.

The **Reading** subtest covers paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension, and inferences/conclusions.

Composite scores are computed in each of these four areas. Sixteen subscores are also generated to assess specific content mastery. The scores are to be used in conjunction with other affective and cognitive measures of performance and are not to be used as the sole criterion for admission decisions.

Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS®) Pre-Test Study Manual is the only study manual authored and endorsed by the creator of the TEAS®. It is written specifically to address the needs of students preparing to take the TEAS® or for those who need additional help after testing. The TEAS® Study Manual includes to-the-point review of key topics in Math, Science, English and Reading; workbook exercises; and sample tests with accompanying explanations to streamline the preparation and review process.

The **Math** section provides a review of algebra, ratios and proportions, measurements, graphs and diagrams, probability and counting techniques.

The **Science** section contains a science glossary and information about basic scientific and technical reasoning, life science, chemical and physical science, anatomy, and physiology.

The **English** section includes a review of spelling, punctuation, grammar, and sentence structure.

The **Reading** section focuses on paragraph comprehension, passage comprehension and drawing inferences, and data interpretation from images such as charts, diagrams and graphs.

A complete sample TEAS® test (with explanations for correct answers) as well as strategies for studying and taking the TEAS® are also included.



