

TNReady U.S. History & Geography End-of-Course 2017-18

U.S. History & Geography Testing Structure

As in the past, each year the state assessment includes both operational and field test items. The below testing structure for U.S. history and geography reflects both the number of operational assessment items and the number of field test assessment items.

Subpart 1	Subpart 2	Subpart 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 minutes • 1 Written Response 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 45 minutes • 30 items 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 45 minutes • 30 items

U.S. History & Geography Blueprints

The blueprints below reflect *only* operational assessment items. You can find the U.S. History & Geography Standards [here](#).

Written Response: Subpart 1		
	# of Items	# of Score Points
Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rise of Industrial America and the Progressive Era (standards US.1 to US.30) • The 1920s and the Great Depression (standards US.31 to US.53) • U.S. Policy between the Wars, World War II, and the Cold War (standards US.54 to US.81) 	1 written response item will be scored for both content and literacy.	8
Literacy	1 written response item listed above will be scored for both content and literacy.	4
Total		12

Please note: Some resource publishers have created materials that contain “TNReady” in the title or within the contents of their instructional materials. **The department does not endorse any of these materials as official TNReady products.**

Multiple Select: Subpart 2 and 3		
	# of Items	# of Score Points
The Rise of Industrial America and the Progressive Era (standards US.1 to US.30)	6-10	6-13
The 1920s and the Great Depression (standards US.31 to US.53)	14-18	14-22
U.S. Policy between the Wars, World War II, and the Cold War (standards US.54 to US.81)	11-15	11-13
The Post-War Years to Contemporary United States (standards US.82 to US.112)	5-9	5-11
Total	36-52	36-59

U.S. History and Geography: Summary			
	# of Items	# of Score Points	% of Test
Subpart 1	1	12	19
Subpart 2	23-27	23-27	37-44
Subpart 3	23-27	23-27	37-44

Item Types

Multiple choice: These are items with four answer options, only one of which is correct.

Multiple select: These are items with more than four answer choices with multiple correct answers. Sometimes the number of correct responses will be indicated (e.g., "choose the three correct answers"), but sometimes the number of correct responses will not be indicated (e.g., "select all of the correct answers"). This is item dependent and based on the standard.

Technology Enhanced: Items that are designed to assess higher order thinking skills through the use of the online assessment platform. Examples include: hot spot items where a student is asked to select regions of a graphic, such as a map, and drag and drop items where a student may be asked to complete a table, chart, passage, or other graphic organizer.

Writing prompt: This item type prompts students to write a multi-paragraph response to one to three sources. These sources could include: maps, timelines, graphics, primary source documents, and/or informational texts. The prompt is unique to each set of source(s) and is aligned to a U.S. history and geography standard. Students are asked to draw on content knowledge, as well as knowledge from the sources. Students will complete one writing prompt. Student responses will be scored according to the Tennessee Department of Education U.S. History Writing Rubric, which can be found [here](#), for both Content and Literacy.