

2018-19 TNReady Social Studies Grades 3-4 Assessment Fact Sheet

Social Studies Assessment Overview

This fact sheet provides information about the social studies assessments in grades 3–4. The social studies assessments in grades 3 and 4 will assess the current Tennessee Academic Standards for social studies, which require students to demonstrate historical awareness, geographical understanding, and the ability to analyze primary source documents. For information on the other TNReady assessments in grades 3 and 4, click here. Students enrolled in a grade 3 or 4 social studies course will be assessed.

Test Administration Schedule

For a full schedule of all statewide assessments, see the Statewide Assessment Schedule on the department website.

Test Administration Times

The time for administration of the TNReady social studies assessment in grades 3 and 4 is as follows:

Assessment	Timing
Grades 3-4	30 ltems
	1 subpart
	Total: 50 minutes

Performance Levels and Scale Scores

Student performance on the grades 3 and 4 social studies assessments is categorized into two performance levels, as they are half the length of other subjects.

The below table provides information regarding student achievement at each performance level for the TNReady social studies tests. This information is provided on student reports so that students, parents, and educators may interpret student results in a meaningful way.

Table 1. Performance Levels

Approaching	On-Track
Performance at this level demonstrates that	Performance at this level demonstrates that the
the student is approaching understanding	student has a comprehensive understanding and
and has a partial ability to apply the	has a thorough ability to apply the grade/course-
grade/course-level knowledge and skills	level knowledge and skills defined by the
defined by the Tennessee Academic	Tennessee Academic Standards.
Standards.	

These two levels are for instructional planning, and will not generate TVAAS scores or be included in school or district accountability. Score reports for social studies in grades 3 and 4 will consist of performance levels reported as on-track or approaching.

There are no cut scores to report currently for social studies, as standard setting will occur in summer 2018.

Test Administration Information

Within the state testing window, testing schedules are established **by the district at the school and/or district level**. It is at the district's discretion to allow schools to set their own testing schedules, independent of a district testing schedule. Please see details on subparts for each subject and grade level on the updated testing times chart <u>here</u>.

The social studies assessment for grades 3 and 4 may consist of the following item types:

- Multiple choice
- Multiple select

Practice Tests

The department has provided the following practice tools to support educators and students:

• **Paper practice tests:** PDF versions of practice tests are available and posted on EdTools (<u>here</u>).

Additional Information

Please visit the <u>department's website</u> for more information about the statewide assessment program.