



Texas Tech University  
College of Education  
TExES™ Study Plan

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ TEA ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Test # \_\_\_\_\_

STUDY PLAN						
*Competencies covered on test where you scored below 70% passing	*What percentage did I score on each competency?	For the competencies below 70% briefly tell what the competency is about	What material do I have for studying this content?	Did you use these materials before? If so what are you going to do differently?	Dates planned for study	Retest date
025	2 of 4 -50%	Nature of science and scientific inquiry	Preparing to Teach Texas Content Areas - Nath	Yes, I am going to read the study guide and make notes in the margin to help me remember. I am going to analyze the question stem to make sure I understand the question	Nightly 6-7 p.m.	March 27

EXAMPLE

\* Column 1, please use [www.texas.ets.org](http://www.texas.ets.org) Test at a Glance under preparation materials on the left  
\* Column 2, please use your TExES score report

## Resources to consider:

### Books:

- PPR: Becoming an EC-6 Teacher in Texas: A Course of Study for the Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) TExES, 2e, by Janice Nath and Myrna Cohen (Good for all level exam as well!)
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- **EC-6 Generalist: Preparing to Teach Texas Content Areas: The TExES EC-6 Generalist and the ESL Supplement** by Janice Nath and John Ramsey ([www.pearsonhighered.com](http://www.pearsonhighered.com))
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- PPR: The Best Preparation for the TExES by Research & Education Association
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- Grade level textbooks

### Online Preparation:

- 1) 240 Tutoring ([www.240tutoring.com](http://www.240tutoring.com)) features study guides for individual tests with an in-depth review of each competency plus interactive practice test that provides feedback on answers to each question. Costs ~\$80/study guide.
- 2) The TExES Certification Review for Teachers (T-CERT) website, a TExES review website (FREE) that is open to all with a TEA ID number. Presently, T-CERT has review modules in Math 4-8, Math 8-12, Science 4-8, Science 8-12, Sped EC-12, Generalist EC-6, ESL and EC-12 PPR. I encourage each of you to visit the site and see what it has to offer. Here is the site address: <http://pact.tarleton.edu/tcert/> Your first task will be to register for the site, using your TEA ID number. It will take a few days to verify your registration, but you should be hearing from the T-CERT staff soon regarding your clearance to enter the site.
- 3) The Kahn Academy is a wonderful resource for math, science, economics, and history (some). His website is <http://www.khanacademy.org/>.
- 4) General Testing Strategies/Skills:

Reading Comprehension Strategies for general testing skills: [Dartmouth Active Reading](#)

Concentration/Memory: [Improving your Concentration](#)

## EXAMPLE OF A COMPETENCY AND ITS ACCOMPANYING DESCRIPTIVE STATEMENTS

Domains are identified with Roman numerals.

**Domain I – World History**

Competencies are identified with Cardinal numbers.

Competency 001 (Ancient World Civilizations): *The teacher understands significant historical events and developments in ancient world civilizations, factors influencing the development of ancient world civilizations and major characteristics and contributions of ancient world civilizations.*

The beginning teacher:

Descriptive statements are identified with letters.

- A. Analyzes the influence of various factors (e.g., geographic contexts, processes of spatial exchange [diffusion], science and technology) on the development of ancient civilizations.
- B. Demonstrates knowledge of individuals, events and issues that shaped the development of ancient civilizations (e.g., Cleopatra, Confucius, Plato, Giza pyramids, conquests of Alexander the Great, polytheism vs. monotheism).
- C. Understands major political, economic and cultural developments in the civilizations of Africa (e.g., Egypt, sub-Saharan), the Mediterranean basin (e.g., Greece, Rome), Mesoamerica (e.g., Maya), Andean South America (e.g., Inca tradition), Middle and Near East and Asia (e.g., China, India, Japan).
- D. Applies knowledge of the location, political organization, cultural characteristics and contributions of ancient civilizations.