FTCE Success

A handy guide to access resources to prepare for FTCE, Subject Area and other professional tests

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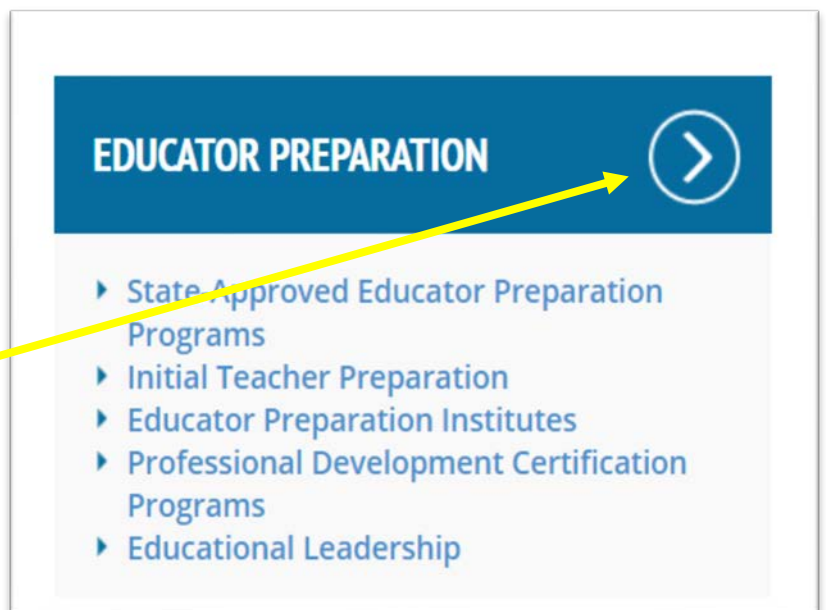- Educational Leadership

Preparation is the Key

Professional Exams can create anxiety and frustration. Proper time and preparation *prior to the exam* make all the difference. The state has provided incredibly helpful resources to help you become more familiar with both the content and the format of the exams. By following this guide, you will walk into your exam confident and well-prepared.

Let's start at the DOE homepage, and click to open the TEACHING tab:

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Test Content and Sample Questions

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Review the content areas covered by the tests.

Test Information Guides
Learn about the content and format of the test with these guides.

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CBT Tutorials
Find out what to expect when you take a computer-based test.

Test Preparation Video
How to prepare for your teacher certification test.

You did it! You've now reached the critical area with a vast number of resources.

You'll notice the margin.

This area we will help you explore. It contains Competencies and Skills test information, blueprints, guides, sample questions, worksheets, and more…all in order to help you prepare for exam day. *Bookmark this page!*

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Find the "Select a test" box and you'll open a dropdown box and a long list of courses

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Selecting a test here will access the Competencies and Skills information guide, test blueprint, and samples that can aid in your studying and test preparation

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Before selecting a test, click Test Information Guides. Many tests include interactive guides. Over the course of the next few months, all guides will become interactive

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Test Information Guides are moving to a new, interactive format.

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The list pictured here indicates the test guides currently interactive.

Opening this online will show you the schedule of interactivity yet to come this fall.

Close window to resume.

Scroll down to find the FTCE Subject Area graphic. It indicates which tests currently include Interactive Guides. Titles with Adobe pictured adjacent are not yet interactive but are currently available in PDF format. However, expect PDF titles to become interactive in the next few months. *Click Elementary Ed K-6.*

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Teacher Certification Testing

Since 1980, Florida teacher certification candidates have been required to pass the Florida Teacher Certification

For this demonstration, we've chosen *Elementary Education K-6*. You've come to the page above.

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Competencies and Skills and Blueprint

The test design below describes general testing information. The blueprints that follow provide a detailed outline that explains the competencies and skills that this test measures.

Test Design

Format	Computer-based test (CBT)
Number of Questions	» Subtest 1: approximately 60 multiple-choice questions » Subtest 2: approximately 55 multiple-choice questions » Subtest 3: approximately 55 multiple-choice questions » Subtest 4: approximately 50 multiple-choice questions
Time	» Subtest 1: 1 hour and 5 minutes » Subtest 2: 1 hour and 5 minutes » Subtest 3: 1 hour and 10 minutes » Subtest 4: 1 hour and 10 minutes If you take 3 or more subtests in a single session, you will receive a 15-minute break.
Passing Score	A scaled score of at least 200 per subtest; examinees must pass all 4 subtests to pass this test.

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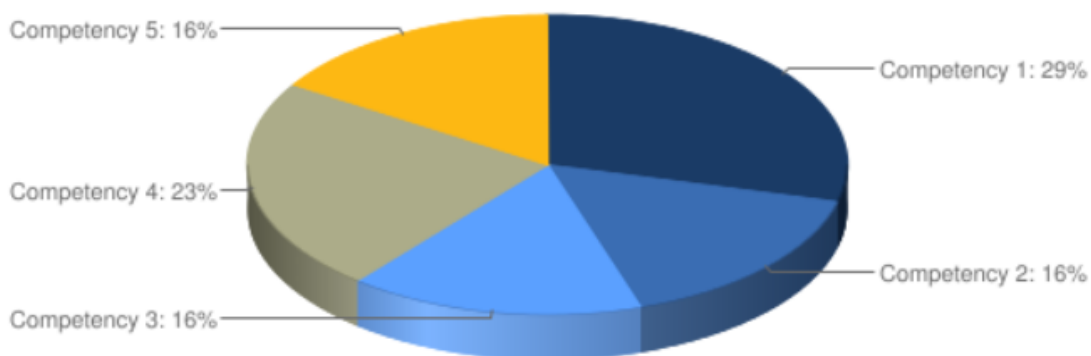 › Science
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Click Page 3. Great information here…You'll notice the Competencies are tabbed out by subject. Click to jump to that section, or simply scroll down the page to find them

This area we will help you study because it contains test information, blueprints, guides, sample questions, worksheets, and more in order to help you prepare for you exam day.

Scroll down to Competencies…

Competencies, Skills, and Approximate Percentage of Questions

Language Arts and Reading

Competency		Approximate Percentage of Total Subtest Questions
1	Knowledge of the reading process	29%
2	Knowledge of literary analysis and genres	16%
3	Knowledge of language and the writing process	16%
4	Knowledge of literacy instruction and assessments	23%
5	Knowledge of communication and media literacy	16%

Each Subject Area will break down the Competencies by skills and approximate percentage of questions.
In this subject, each subtest is analyzed separately. Simply continue scrolling down the page to access the other subtests, or click in the margin

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Subtest 1 – Language Arts and Reading

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Test Format and Sample Questions

The Language Arts and Reading subtest contains approximately 60 multiple-choice items. You will have 65 minutes to complete the subtest.

Each of the questions will contain four response options. You will choose the best response out of the available options, and indicate **A**, **B**, **C**, or **D**.

The table below presents types of questions on the exam and directs you to examples of these formats among the sample items that follow.

Table of Question Formats

Type of Question	Sample Question
Sentence Completion Select the response option that best completes the sentence.	Question 1
Direct Question Choose the response option that best answers the question.	Question 2

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Scenario Examine a classroom situation or a student composition. Then select the response option that best answers a question, recommends a course of action, or gives the appropriate evaluation or teacher comment.	Question 5

Sample Questions

The following questions represent both the form and content of questions on the examination. These questions will acquaint you with the general format of the examination; however, these sample questions do not cover all of the competencies and skills that are tested and will only approximate the degree of examination difficulty.

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Each subtest provides a different practice test. This format is similar to all interactive test guides

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Elementary Education K–6

Subtest 1 - Language Arts and Reading

Print | Print All Questions

Question 1 of 8

Competency 1—Knowledge of the reading process

DIRECTIONS: Read the question and select the best response.

The most effective way to develop students' reading fluency is through

- A. repeated reading.
- B. choral reading.
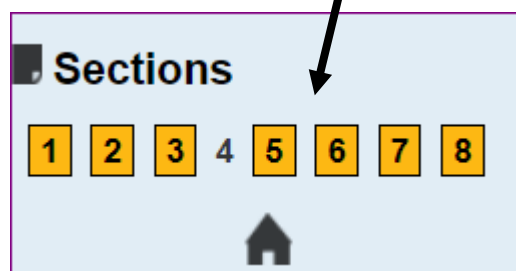- C. round-robin reading.
- D. readers theatre.

+ **Answer**

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Use the buttons to proceed through the test. The "Answer" box will provide the correct response

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*GOOD LUCK! NEVER HESITATE TO CALL
OR EMAIL WITH QUESTIONS!!!*

We hope this guide has been descriptive and helpful as you prepare for exams.

Check back as more exams become interactive. Understanding the Competencies and Skills will be vital to your success. Be sure to Bookmark.

These guides provide excellent preparation and should add to your confidence heading into the test

Please strongly consider joining us for our special Saturday Training Sessions to aid your preparation.

Our first is coming September 22, 9:00-2:00 at the PSC.