

# **GED Ready<sup>®</sup> Practice Test - Science Performance Level Descriptors: Red Zone**

# **Red Zone: Not Likely to Pass**

Scoring into the **Red Zone** on the GED Ready<sup>®</sup> practice test - Science indicates that the student is not likely to pass the GED<sup>®</sup> test - Science without further development of his or her science skills.

Although the student's performance on the GED Ready<sup>®</sup> practice test shows his or her score is in a range where students rarely pass the GED<sup>®</sup> test, the result only represents an indication of the student's preparedness and does not guarantee a negative result on the GED<sup>®</sup> test. Most students that score in this range ultimately do not pass the GED<sup>®</sup> test - Science on their first attempt and need more preparation in this content area in order to pass the GED<sup>®</sup> test.

Students who score into this zone typically demonstrate limited and/or inconsistent proficiency with the following skills:

# Analyze Scientific and Technical Arguments, Evidence, and Text-Based Information

Understand and explain textual scientific presentations at a at a limited and/or inconsistent level

#### **Applying Scientific Processes and Procedural Concepts**

Reason from data or evidence to a conclusion at a limited and/or inconsistent level

#### Reasoning Quantitatively and Interpreting Data in Scientific Contexts

- Understand and explain non-textual scientific presentations at a limited and/or inconsistent level
- Express scientific information or findings visually at a limited and/or inconsistent level
- Describe a data set statistically at a limited and/or inconsistent level
- Use counting and permutations to solve scientific problems at a limited and/or inconsistent level

Scoring into the **Green Zone** on the GED Ready<sup>®</sup> practice test - Science indicates that the student is likely to pass the GED<sup>®</sup> test - Science. In order to progress into the **Yellow Zone**, the student should:

### 1) strengthen these skills:

- Understand and explain non-textual scientific presentations
- Express scientific information or findings visually
- Describe a data set statistically
- Use counting and permutations to solve scientific problems
- Reason from data or evidence to a conclusion
- Understand and explain textual scientific presentations

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## 1) develop the following additional skills:

- Identify and refine hypotheses for scientific investigations
- Cite specific textual evidence to support a finding or conclusion
- Make a prediction based on data or evidence
- Evaluate whether a conclusion or theory is supported or challenged by particular data or evidence
- Express scientific information or findings verbally
- Express scientific information of findings numerically or symbolically