

# CBT Practice Tests

“By failing to prepare, you are preparing  
to fail.”

— Benjamin Franklin



# **TWO WAYS TO PRACTICE**

**USING THE SECURE BROWSER**

**OR**

**USING THE ONLINE QUESTION SAMPLER**

**PRACTICE TESTS ARE LOW-STAKES**

**RESULTS ARE NOT RETAINED**

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## Teacher Checklist

### Teacher Reminders

The [Question Sampler](#) and [Practice Tests](#) are a good opportunity for your students to become familiar with the test delivery system for computer-based testing prior to participating in the simulations and in operational or field testing.

### CBT Question Sampler and Practice Tests

In order to assist our schools with helping students to prepare for the operational CBT exams, the online [Question Sampler](#) and the [Questar Secure Browser Practice Tests](#) are available for students, teachers, and parents to review the online Nextera Test Delivery System (TDS). The Secure Browser practice tests allow students to experience computer-based testing in the same environment they will use for operational CBT this spring. All students should be familiar with the Questar Secure Browser online tools and navigation before participating in the Simulations and the operational computer-based tests.

# **AVAILABLE PRACTICE TESTS**

**YOU CAN FIND THE SAME PRACTICE TESTS VIA  
THE SECURE BROWSER OR THE ONLINE QUESTION SAMPLER:**

**4 PRACTICE TESTS FOR CBT TESTING WITH ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ELA AND MATH  
TEXT-TO-SPEECH, INITIAL ZOOM, ANSWER MASKING, AND SPEECH-TO-TEXT (ELA ONLY)**

**3 PRACTICE TESTS FOR CBT TESTING WITH ACCOMMODATIONS IN SCIENCE  
TEXT-TO-SPEECH, INITIAL ZOOM, ANSWER MASKING**

# **SECURE BROWSER PRACTICE TESTS**

**QUESTAR SECURE BROWSER MUST BE INSTALLED ON THE STUDENTS' TESTING DEVICE**

**THE SECURE BROWSER PRACTICE TESTS ALLOW STUDENTS TO EXPERIENCE COMPUTER-BASED TESTING IN THE SAME ENVIRONMENT THEY WILL USE FOR OPERATIONAL CBT**

**THE LOGIN FOR EACH PRACTICE TEST IS:**

**SUBJECT + G + GRADE NUMBER + CODE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS (IF NEEDED) FOR**

**EXAMPLE:**

**MATHG03**

**THE PASSWORD FOR ALL PRACTICE TESTS IS:**

**PRACTICE**

# QUESTION SAMPLER

[HTTPS://NY.NEXTERA.QUESTARAI.COM/TDS/#PRACTICE](https://ny.nextera.questarai.com/tds/#practice)

- **NOT INTENDED TO REPRODUCE THE TEST ENVIRONMENT**
- **QUESTION SAMPLER IS A WAY TO SEE THE TEST FORMAT AND QUESTION TYPES**
- **QUESTION SAMPLER USES QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS TEST FOR ELA AND MATH**
- **SCIENCE QUESTIONS ARE ALIGNED TO THE LEARNING STANDARDS**

# Select Question Sampler

Select Subject

 

Select Grade

 

Select Test

 

**Take it online.**

Start test

Supplemental Scoring

 [Answer key](#)

# BEST PRACTICES

- **HAVE THE STUDENTS PRACTICE A FEW TIMES TO GET USED TO THE TOOLS**
- **SET THE ACCOMMODATIONS EVEN FOR THE PRACTICE TESTS TO SEE HOW THEY WORK**
- **SIMULATION IS DIFFERENT FROM THE PRACTICE TESTS**
- **TO SUCCEED-PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE**