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Updates and Coming Soon

A new feature added to Diagnostic Plus not only identifies the TEKS that the student missed, but the teacher can also view each individual question (and tutorial) that a student missed.

Scheduled to be released next month - **2nd grade Science, and 1st grade Science.** These new products are aligned to the new Science TEKS.

Scheduled to be released in the following months:

- Biology, Physics and Chemistry End-of-Course
- Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry End-of-Course
- EOCs for US History and US Government
- EOCs for World History, World Geography
- Integrated Physics and Chemistry (New)

These are in addition to the full range of Math (grades 1-11), Science (grades 1-11), and Social Studies (grades 5, 8 and 11) that we currently offer. All products are aligned to the TEKS as specified by TEA.

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Language is an Art

A few interesting pronunciation issues . . .

*Gas, alas, and Arkansas.
Sea, idea, guinea, area,
Psalm, Maria, but malaria,
Youth, south, southern, cleanse and clean,
Doctrine, turpentine, marine.*

Quote

"An education isn't how much you have committed to memory, or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you do know and what you don't." Anatole France(1844 - 1924)

Teaching Tip

If you provide your students with a paper practice for the standardized tests, you may want to have them follow a routine such as this one (Thanks Ms. Willard).

1. Look at the number of questions and the amount of time you have. If you have 25 questions and 50 minutes, you shouldn't spend more than 2 minutes on any question the first time through the test.
2. Go through the questions. Answer the ones that you can, and put a question mark next to a questions you do not know how to do.
3. After you have completed the questions you knew how to do, go back to the questions that you marked with a question mark and look at them again. Answer the question if you can - but do not erase the question mark.
4. If you still don't know how to answer the question, put a second question mark next to the question.

When these papers are turned in, you can look at the question marks for an indication of how to group your students for differentiated instruction.

Grin(s)

Actual answers from tests . . .

Charles Darwin was a naturalist. He wrote the organ of the species.

There are three kinds of blood vessels: arteries, vanes and caterpillars.

The process of turning steam back into water again is called conversation.

A magnet is something you find crawling all over a dead dog.

The Earth makes one resolution every 24 hours.

To collect fumes of sulfur, hold a deacon over a flame in a test tube.



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