

*SKILLS LIST and SAMPLE TEST ITEMS*

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**PRACTICE TEST FOR SOCIAL STUDIES, GRADE 9**

*(Test items developed for skills measured in Stanford9\*)*

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*Skills*

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| 1.0 History                               | 7.3 Political Life                           |
| 1.1 United States and World               | 7.4 Affects Economy                          |
| 2.0 Geography                             | 7.5 Ancient/Modern Cultures                  |
| 2.1 Human/Environment                     | 7.6 Ability to Understand/Apply              |
| 3.0 Civics and Government                 | 7.7 Regional or Global<br>Interrelationships |
| 3.1 Political Life                        | 7.8 Organizing/Using Information             |
| 4.0 Economics                             | 8.0 Using Information                        |
| 4.1 Affects Economy                       | 8.1 History                                  |
| 5.0 Culture                               | 8.2 Geography                                |
| 5.1 Ancient/Modern Culture                | 8.3 Civics and Government                    |
| 6.0 Related Processes                     | 8.4 Economics                                |
| 6.1 Ability to Understand/Apply           | 8.5 Using Information                        |
| 6.2 Regional or Global Interrelationships |  |
| 6.3 Organizing/Using Information          |  |
| 7.0 Thinking Skills                       |  |
| 7.1 United States and World               |  |
| 7.2 Human/Environment                     |  |

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Number of questions: 40

Number of pages: 15

Approximate testing time: 20 minutes

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# Stanford9 SOCIAL STUDIES PRACTICE TEST - GRADE 9

*DIRECTIONS: Read each question and choose the best answer.*

1. When primitive man adapted to his environment, which traits were the slowest to change?

- A. cultural      B. natural      C. physical      D. religious
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2. As a result of interaction with Europeans, the Cherokees developed

- A. an alphabet  
B. an improved food gathering method  
C. a better transportation system  
D. a different type of clothing
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3. Which group can grant a city charter?

- A. police jury      C. democratic convention  
B. school board      D. state government
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4. The New Deal can best be described as

- A. Hoover's plan to relieve the depression  
B. Roosevelt's plan to give Americans a new start  
C. a set of congressional proposals to help the stock market  
D. a plan to give land to farmers
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5. In capitalism, the means of production, distribution, and exchange are

- A. collectively owned and directed  
B. government owned and directed  
C. totally privately owned and directed  
D. mainly privately owned and directed
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