

Regents Review: English

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Here are online resources that you can use to prepare for the New York State Regents: Earth Science examination.¹

Review Before and After: Comprehensive English Regents Examinations

Practice by taking Regents Exams from previous semesters. Click on a date to see tests from that semester. The “Examination” links will allow you to download PDF copies of past exams. Use the scoring key to check your answers. It's recommended that you try out different versions of the test, rather than taking the same version repeatedly.

<http://www.nysedregents.org/ComprehensiveEnglish/>

Oswego Regents Exam Prep Center: Comprehensive English

A series of materials created by the Oswego City School District. This site includes tutorials and interactive quizzes.

<http://www.regentsprep.org/Regents/english/english.cfm>

Additional Web Resources

***The Elements of Style* by William Strunk**

A classic text on non-fiction writing that English teachers have called upon for years. A caveat regarding this text: although the writing in this book is technically correct, the writing style is very "dense". This book is best suited for advanced placement students, or those who have already read the Zinsser book (linked to below) and who want to continue their writing skills development.

<http://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/37134>

Inductive and Deductive Reasoning by Khan Academy

A series of brief videos describing how to create inductive and deductive arguments.

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/precalculus/seq_induction/deductive-and-inductive-reasoning/v/deductive-reasoning-1

¹ **A note to parents: Although we have gathered these links to aid students who are preparing for Regents Exams, we strongly discourage any parent from thinking that these resources alone can take the place of a personal tutor. A strong student who already has excellent grades can prepare for an exam with review materials alone. A student who is struggling usually requires individual instruction to be able to catch up on materials that they've fallen behind on over the course of a semester. No collection of web resources can ever replace a professional tutor who can offer one-on-one instruction.**

***On Writing Well* by William Zinsser**

Another classic text on non-fiction writing, this book is an excellent starting point for high-school students who want to improve their writing skills.

<https://archive.org/details/OnWritingWell>

The OWL (Online Writing Lab) at Purdue University: Grades 7 - 12 Instructors and Students

On this page you'll find a series of articles describing the process of creating non-fiction papers. You can use the Search box in the left-hand navigation column, or click through the links below that search box to search for articles on other forms of academic writing.

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/677/01/>

UNC Chapel Hill Writing Center: Fallacies

An introduction to some of the most commonly used fallacious appeals, and how to counter them in the writing of others, and avoid resorting to them in your own writing.

<http://writingcenter.unc.edu/handouts/fallacies/>