

Learning from Diagnostic Tests linked to Exercise Central and Textbooks

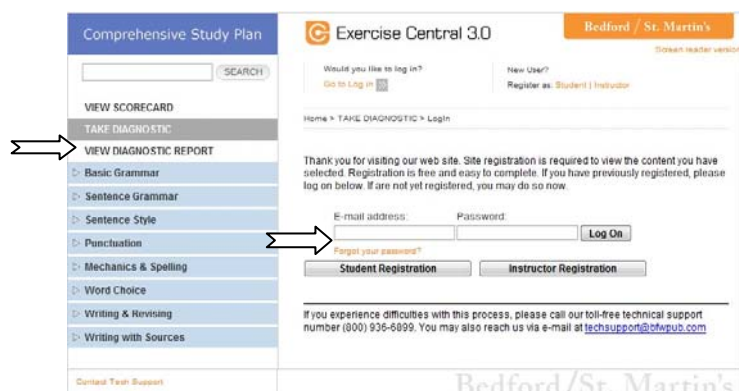
At <http://bcs.bedfordstmartins.com/exercisecentral> you will find diagnostics linked to Exercise Central and textbooks such as *Real Essays*.

TRY THESE VIDEO TUTORIALS (found at the [Exercise Central Support Site](#))

- [How to Log In](#)
- [How to Complete an Exercise](#)

To use the Exercise Central Study Plan or textbook diagnostic tests, tutorials, and exercises, you will need to **log in**. If you have not set up a free account, hit the “student registration” button. There are many benefits to having an account.

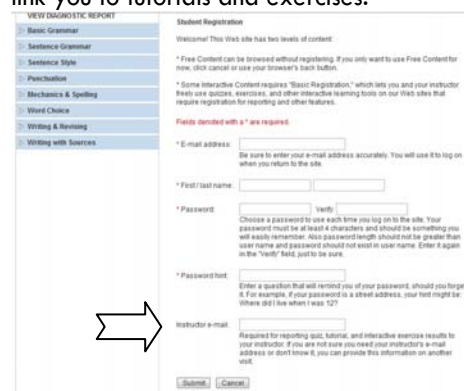
Whether you are using an Exercise Central study plan or are logging into a specific book’s diagnostic and exercises, such as Anker’s diagnostic for *Real Essays*, **your free account will give you access to many, many free resources**, some of which will be linked directly to your diagnostic test report.



In order to register, you will need

- an email address
- a password (Don't forget it!), and
- your instructor’s email address.

Your instructor’s email address is needed in order to give you access to your diagnostic test report, a vital resource since it will explain what you need to work on and will link you to tutorials and exercises.



Frequently Asked Questions

- [Exercise Central Support](#)

What are Diagnostics?

Ever wonder in which aspects of grammar you are good and in which ones you need work? The Diagnostic quiz helps you find out. Each quiz has 50-70 questions to evaluate your skills in 18 different categories. The **Diagnostic Report** gives you a statistical overview and a bar graph visualization of how well you did in each category.

How can I use Exercise Central to improve my skills?

Take the 5-step program: diagnose the problem (take diagnostic), analyze the report (view diagnostic report), exercise (take more exercises), review e-book and tutorials (via Exercise Central quick links), check your new scores (Scorecard).

1. Take a diagnostic quiz to determine your level of mastery in each skill category.
2. Review your **diagnostic report** and focus your attention on low-scoring categories.
3. To get a list of exercises for a particular skill category, open the “Comprehensive Study Plan” and type the category title into the search field. For example, typing “Apostrophes” into the search field will give you a list of all exercises for apostrophes.
4. After you’ve taken some exercises, consult your scorecard to chart your progress.
5. If you have access to an e-book, click the grey “Go to e-Book” arrow above the exercise title to get more help.
6. Review the Tutorials: Exercise Central offers free tutorials for a variety of grammar skills. Click on the “Tutorials” tab to take advantage of this extra help.

How do I take an exercise?

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Choose an exercise2. Log in (if you are already logged in, skip this step)3. Enter your instructor’s e-mail when prompted.4. Read the instructions5. Answer the first question. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">6. Click “Next Question” at the bottom of the screen.7. Click the numbers navigation at the bottom of the exercise to review or change your answers before submitting.8. After you answer the last question, click “Submit.” |
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How do I use the new scorecard?

Simply click on “View Scorecard” to see the results for every quiz you’ve taken. If you take a quiz more than once, you will see your highest, lowest, and average scores.