# **Preparing for Trades-Related Skills Assessments**

## **Trades-Specific Resources**

- SkillPlan offers self-assessments, video tutorials, and practice activities. Create a free account by visiting the <u>Build Your Skills learning platform</u>. Then, explore courses and resources in the *Pre-Apprentice Hub*.
- The Government of Canada's <u>Essential Skills Workbook for the Trades</u> can help you upgrade your skills for the trades. We recommend focusing on the *Reading, Document Use,* and *Numeracy* sections.
- Answer a <u>few practice questions</u> from the ESOT (Essential Skills for Ontario's Tradespeople) assessment.

#### Other Resources

Need a refresher? While the resources below were not specifically designed to help you upgrade your skills for the trades, they can help you brush up on your math, English reading, and test-taking skills.

#### Math / Numeracy

- <u>Introduction to Place Value</u> (George Brown College)
- Conversions between Different Systems of Measurement (George Brown College)
- Calculation: Problem solving (BBC Skillswise) | Calculation: Pen and paper methods (BBC Skillswise)
- Take Khan Academy's course challenge to see what you already know and what gaps you have.
  - Basic geometry and measurement
    Units of measurement | Intro to area and perimeter | Intro to mass and volume
    Measuring angles
  - Arithmetic

<u>Understand fractions</u> | <u>Add and subtract fraction</u> | <u>Multiply fractions</u> <u>Decimals and place value</u> | <u>Add and subtract decimals</u>

Multiply 1- and 2-digit numbers

Divide with remainders

Unit: Ratios and rates
 Intro to ratios | Visualize ratios

### **English**

- Reading: Skimming and Scanning (BBC Skillswise)
- Reading: Types of Texts (BBC Skillswise)

#### **Test-Taking**

- Question Attack Strategies (Bow Valley College)
- <u>Scanning and Skimming Reading Strategies</u> (Bow Valley College)
- Test Your Essential Skills: Reading & Numeracy (Skills Canada)

