

Do I Need a Tutor?

1. Are your grades lower than you'd like?
2. Is there a subject that's harder than the others for you?
3. Is your homework not getting done?
4. Do you score lower than you think you could on tests, even when you study hard?
5. Does learning the material, or remembering the material, seem impossible?
6. Does the class move too fast for you to keep up?
7. Do you have trouble getting all the help you need in class?
8. Are your parents unfamiliar with the subject or short of time?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, you may need a tutor.

Tutoring Resources

DC public library HelpNow provides free homework help and live online tutoring is available every day from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM EST. All you need is a library card number. Below are other services that they provide, and they are completely free.

- Homework Help Interact with live tutors in math, science, reading/writing, social studies, PSAT/SAT, ACT, AP and state standardized tests.
- Skills-Building Choose your topic to receive real-time help.
- Personalized eLearning Tools My File Sharing, My Session Replay, My Tutoring Archive, My Tests Archive, and more!
- 24-Hour Writing Lab Submit essays and other forms of writing for constructive feedback.
- Homework Send Question Submit homework questions for expert guidance.
- Adult Learning Center Access a library of rich adult learning content (GED) and live, professional assistance in resume/cover letter writing, U.S. citizenship prep, MS Office Essential Skills Series, and more!
- Foreign Language Lab /Spanish-Speaking Support

<https://www.dclibrary.org/helpnow>
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National Free Tutoring

Bored of Boredom: Bored of Boredom is a Los Angeles-based, student-led tutoring service for kids in grades K-8. It operates nationwide and has even had international students use its resources.

CovEducation: With more than 6,000 volunteers from hundreds of universities around the U.S., CovEducation partners with local organizations to provide free tutoring and mentoring. The organization also offers [limited options for 1:1 mentor matching for families who are not part of partner organizations or school districts.](#)

Learn to Be: Learn to Be is a national nonprofit that uses a pay what you can model to act as a free or affordable option for all families. Learn to Be offers 1:1 online tutoring in all K-12 subjects. Students can bring the school work or topics they are struggling with and receive personal support.

Pandemic Professors: Pandemic Professors serves K-12 students in more than 15 states and counting. The online tutoring non-profit primarily serves students (for free) from low-income communities.

Schoolhouse.world: Founded by Sal Khan of the acclaimed [Khan Academy](#), Schoolhouse.world is a platform for free, online, peer-to-peer tutoring. Students can receive live help in sessions with 1-10 students. Currently, Schoolhouse's classes center around math and SAT Prep and are available to students nationwide who are at least 13 years old.

UPchieve: UPchieve is a non-profit that provides free online 1:1 high school tutoring to those who need it. Tutoring is currently available in math, science, reading & writing, SAT and college prep. The organization's goal? To scale Upchieve to all 8 million low-income high school students in the U.S. by 2030!

Varsity Tutors: Varsity Tutors offers large group classes online for free, including classes on elementary reading and phonics to help students become more independent readers. Varsity Tutors also offers 1:1 individualized tutoring for a fee. Click the "Free" filter to search exclusively for free offerings.

Wave Learning Festival: Wave Tutoring is a free tutoring program that takes place via Zoom. Students can bring questions to free sessions in math, science, language, or humanities and have them answered by veteran tutors.

425 Tutoring: Founded in Seattle, 425 Tutoring is a free, student-led tutoring service with tutors across the country. Talented high school students provide group tutoring sessions in math, English, and other subjects for K-6 students over Zoom or Google Meet.

Tutor.com for U.S. Military Families: Service members, civilian personnel, and their dependents can receive free online tutoring, wherever they live. This program is a partnership with Tutor.com that provides military-connected students with online homework help 24/7.

In addition to these tutoring-specific options, free educational videos are available at [Khan Academy](#), [Sylvan Math Prep](#), [HippoCampus](#), and more.