

Preparing the TI-Nspire for SQA Assessments

'Press to Test' mode temporarily disables all current documents and denies access to programming libraries.

Switch the TI-Nspire handheld **off**.

Whilst **holding down** the **[esc]** key, press **[on]**

This will give the screen shown on the right ⇒

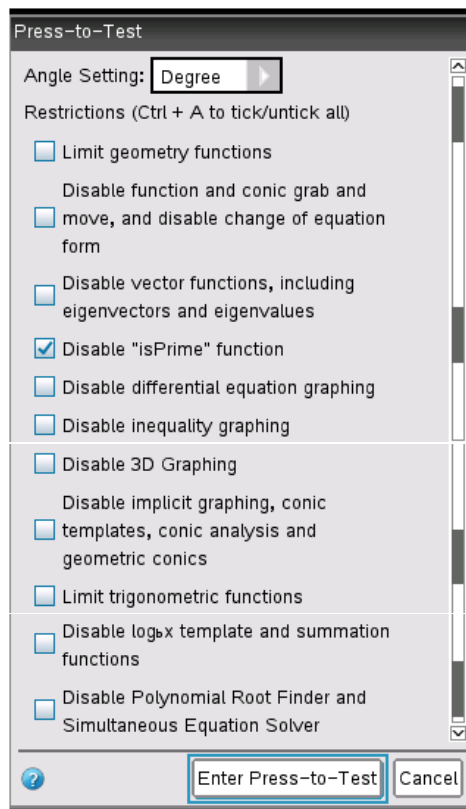
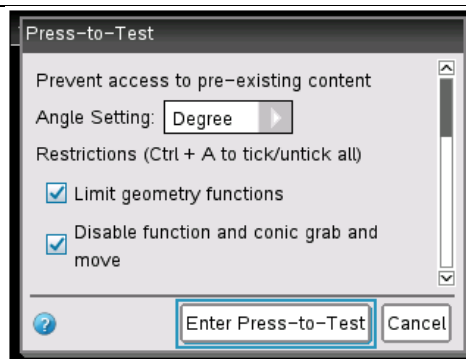
THEN STOP.
DO NOT SELECT  **YET.**

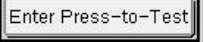
You need to configure the correct restrictions first. Use the touchpad to move between options and deselect them by clicking the centre of the touchpad. **Don't use the [enter] key for this process.**

You will deselect all options, except for one:

Disable "isPrime" function

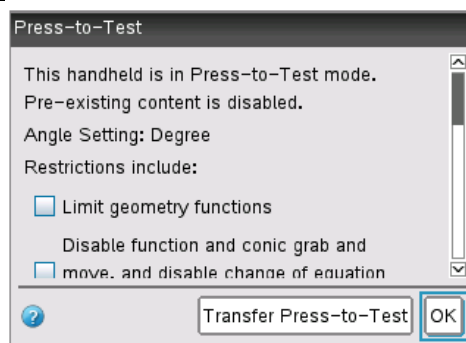
So, there should be **only one box ticked, with all other boxes empty.**




Click on .

This will cause your TI-Nspire to re-boot.

After a short time, it will display the screen shown on the right ⇒



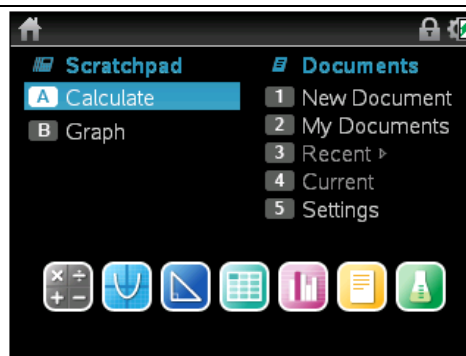
Click on .

This will give the screen shown on the right ⇒

Notice the small padlock icon in the top right hand corner.

Also the **yellow** LED at the top of the handheld will be flashing with **two short pulses.**

You are now ready to use your TI-Nspire in an exam.



Resetting Press-to-Test Mode between Assessments

When Press-to-Test mode is first enabled, the memory is cleared and the TI-Nspire is ready for an assessment.

After that assessment, your TI-Nspire may contain information on the Scratchpad or in saved Documents.

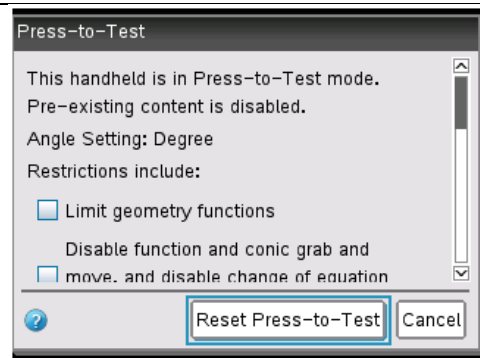
This information needs to be cleared before going into the next assessment, whilst keeping the same Press-to-Test mode settings.

To reset the memory, keeping the same Press-to-Test mode settings, do the following:

Switch the TI-Nspire handheld **off**.

Whilst holding down the **esc** key, press **on**

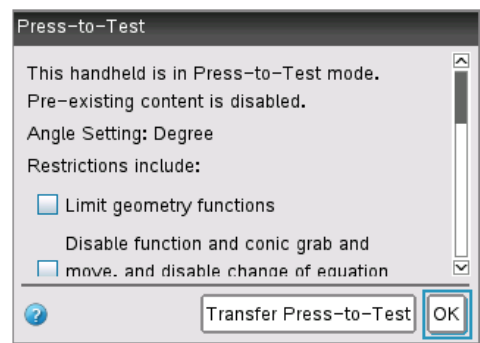
This will give the screen shown on the right ⇨



Select **Reset Press-to-Test**

After a short pause, it will show this screen ⇨

Your TI-Nspire is now ready to use in your next assessment.



Removing the TI-Nspire from Press-to-Test mode

One way to exit Press-to-Test mode is by physically connecting your TI-Nspire to another device. You will need a USB cable and another TI-Nspire Handheld.

Connect your TI-Nspire to another TI-Nspire handheld using a USB cable.

It does not matter whether the second TI-Nspire is in Press-to-Test mode, or not.

Switch **both** TI-Nspires **ON**.



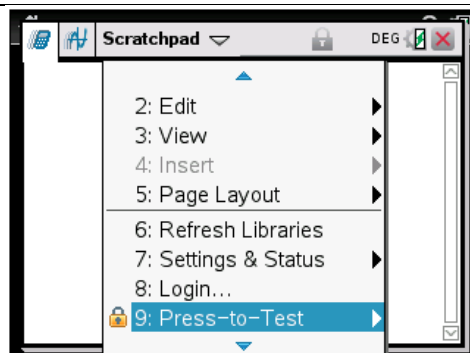
Open the Scratchpad on whichever TI-Nspire handheld is in Press-to-Test mode.

This will give the screen shown on the right ⇒



Press **doc** to open the Documents menu.

This will give the screen shown on the right ⇒

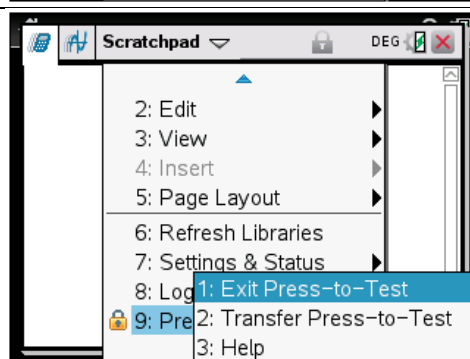


Select **9: Press-to-Test**

Select **1: Exit Press-to-Test**.

This will cause each TI-Nspire in Press-to-Test mode to re-boot. After a short time, it will display the normal Home screen.

You have now Exited Press-to-Test mode.



Further Information on Press-to-Test Restrictions

The following information is from the official TI-Nspire User Guide, and it will clarify the functionality of the TI-Nspire that is not available to you when in Press-to-Test mode with restrictions in place for SQA Assessments.

Disabling the “isPrime” Function

The **isPrime(** function is used to determine if a number is a prime number (a whole number greater than two that is only evenly divisible by itself and one). Disabling this function prevents students from selecting the **isPrime(** command in the Catalogue and from selecting **Test > IsPrime** in Maths Operators. When a student manually enters the **isPrime(** function, submitting the expression results in an error message.