# Press-to-Test Guidebook

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# Using Press-to-Test

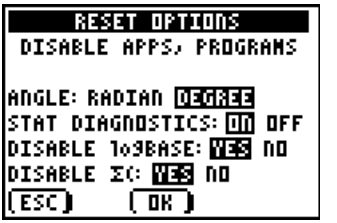
As an alternative to TI TestGuard™, Press-to-Test deletes all RAM and Archive and disables Programs, Apps, Pic Vars, and Image Vars.

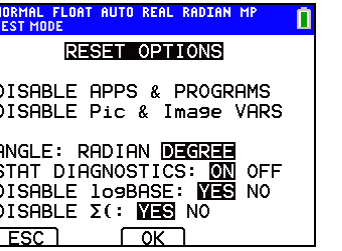
You can access Press-to-Test on TI-84 Plus calculators with OS versions 2.40, 2.43, 2.53MP and 2.55MP, and the TI-84 Plus C with OS version 4.0 and higher.

**Note**: Press-to-Test includes fewer calculator options on TI-84 Plus with OS version 2.40, 2.43, and 2.53MP.

To use Press-to-Test on a student's calculator, complete the following steps:

1. With the TI-84 Plus or TI-84 Plus C turned **OFF**, press and hold down the right, left, and **ON** keys, and then release.
2. The **RESET OPTIONS** screen displays:

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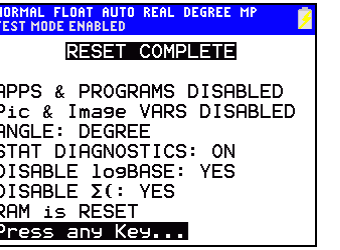
**Notes:**

- A blue status bar is shown on the TI-84 Plus C when in **TEST MODE** and **TEST MODE ENABLED.**
- Pic & Image Vars are disabled on the TI-84 Plus C. These Vars are stored in Arc memory on the TI-84 Plus C. Vars are deleted from RAM and Arc on the TI-84 Plus and TI-83 Plus.
- By default, **ANGLE** is set to **DEGREE**, **STAT DIAGNOSTICS** is set to **ON**, and **DISABLE logBASE** and **DISABLE Σ(** are set to **YES**.

- Press-to-Test can only disable the **logBASE** or **summation Σ(**functions on a student's TI-84 Plus with at least OS version 2.53MP and TI-84 Plus C with OS version 4.0 and higher.

3. If you want to change the default settings, move the cursor over the desired setting and press [ENTER].
4. Press **OK** ([ZOOM]). The **RESET COMPLETE** screen displays.

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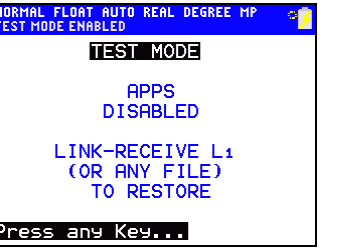
5. On the student's calculator, press [APPS] to verify that applications have been disabled. The following screen displays:

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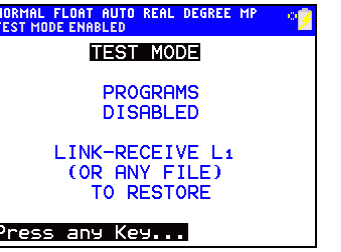
**Note**:

- All variables, excluding AppVars, stored in RAM and in archived memory are deleted.

6. On the student's calculator, press [PRGM] to verify that programs have been disabled. The following screen displays:

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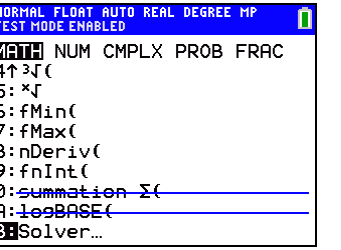
7. On the student's calculator, press [MATH] to verify that **logBASE** and **summation Σ(** have been disabled. The following screen displays:.

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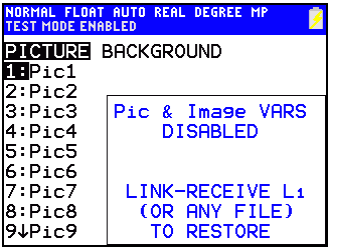
8. On the student's TI-84 Plus C calculator, Pic and Image Vars are shown as disabled.

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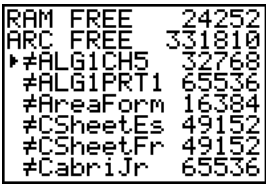
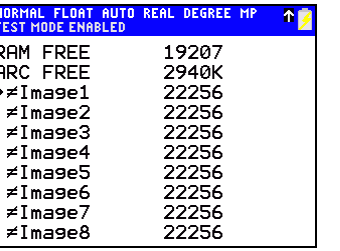
9. In memory management ([2nd] [MEM]**Mem Mgmt/Del**), disabled files will display with the not equal sign.

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## *Bringing a Calculator Out of Test Mode*

Educators can re-enable functions, programs, applications, Pic Vars, and Image Vars by using one of the following methods:

- Link a calculator to the student calculator, and then transfer any file(s) by pressing 2nd [LINK], **SEND/RECEIVE**.

-or-

- Send a calculator file from the computer using TI Connect™.

-or-

- Use the TI TestGuard™ App re-enable feature.

**Educator Note:**

If a student needs to clear the calculator of files created during an exam, use the following two-step process.

If you do not need to clear files, use step 2 below.

1. Reset calculator files.
   a) Turn off the calculator while in Press-to-Test or testing mode.
   b) "Re-Press-to-Test" – press and hold down the right, left, and **ON** keys, and then release.
   c) Select **OK** when you see the **Reset Verification Screen**. The calculator is now "clean."
2. Re-enable files to turn off test mode.
   a) Link and send a file to bring the calculator out of test mode.

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