

Your tests should be written as a single .c file separate from the body of text containing your functionality to be tested. A simple example might look something like this:

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1 #include "simple-test.h"
2 #include "header_with_stuff_to_be_tested.h"
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4 BEGIN_TEST
5
6 /* a simple test using only stack mem */
7 TEST("description of the first test")
8 {
9     int var1=2;
10    int var2=4;
11
12    /* add is a function included from our hypothetical
13     * header_with_stuff_to_be_tested */
14    EXPECT_INT("error message shown on failing",
15              var1+var2, add(var1, var2));
16 }
17
18 /* this test uses heap memory, so things get a bit
19  * more complicated */
20 TEST("this is the second test")
21 {
22     /* first, ensure all your pointers which will
23      * point to heap mem are declared */
24     char *heap_string=NULL;
25
26     /* next, declare a list of statements to be
27      * called to clean up memory once the test
28      * is completed */
29     CLEANUP(
30         if(heap_string != NULL)
31             free(heap_string);
32     );
33
34     /* then, define the body of the test */
35
36     /* STATE can be used to report (with pretty
37      * formatting) the current state within the
38      * test, which may be useful in the case of
39      * a segfault */
40     STATE("grabbing heap string");
41
42     heap_string=get_heap_string_value();
43
44     EXPECT_STR("i suck at grabbing pointers!",
45              "expected value", heap_string);
46
47     /* finally, call RETURN(); to run the
48      * cleanup code and continue */
49     RETURN();
50 }
51
52 END_TEST
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If both tests above succeed, the output will look like this:

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```
1 :: description of the first test
2 :: this is the second test
   :: grabbing heap string...
   :: success!
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If the first test fails, it will look something like this:

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1 :: description of the first test
   :: FAIL: error message shown on failing
   :: expected:6
   :: actual:0
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## – defined macros –

**BEGIN\_TEST**: must appear before all tests and after all global variable declarations

**END\_TEST**: must appear at the end of your test program

**CLEANUP(statements)**: this defines a list of statements to run when the test exits, either successfully or on a failure. it isn't necessary for a test to run, but, if it does appear, it must be after the declaration of all variables to which it makes reference.

**RETURN()**: place at the end of a test which uses CLEANUP to ensure it is called before the test exits. i couldn't find any way around this without using more than just one header file, so i hope it isn't too annoying.

**STATE(description)**: show a prettily-formatted description of the program's state during a test. takes printf-style arguments.

**EXPECT\_ZERO(summary, arg)**: fail if **arg** does not resolve to 0

**EXPECT\_ONE(summary, arg)**: fail if **arg** does not resolve to 1

**EXPECT\_GREATER\_THAN\_ZERO(summary, arg)**: fail if **arg** does not resolve to a value greater than 0. this will be replaced with more generic integer comparisons soon.

**EXPECT\_INT(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if **arg2** does not match the expected integer value **arg1**

**EXPECT\_EQUAL\_INT(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if **arg1** and **arg2** are not equal

**EXPECT\_UNEQUAL\_INT(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if **arg1** and **arg2** are equal

**EXPECT\_STR(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if string **arg2** does not match the expected string value **arg1**

**EXPECT\_EQUAL\_STR(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if **arg1** and **arg2** are not equivalent strings

**EXPECT\_UNEQUAL\_STR(summary, arg1, arg2)**: fail if **arg1** and **arg2** are equivalent strings