



# California Subject Examinations for Teachers® (CSET®)

## Test Results Report Information

### Contents of Your Test Results Report

Your test results report provides information about your performance on the California Subject Examinations for Teachers® (CSET®). For each subtest taken on the test date indicated, your test results report includes your passing status and, if you did not pass, your total subtest score. Your test results report also includes summary information about CSET subtests passed to date. The reverse side of your test results report contains diagnostic information for each subtest taken to provide you with information about your areas of strength and weakness in each subtest section.

**The information on your test results report is intended for use only in teacher credentialing. To preclude the use of CSET scores for purposes other than credentialing (e.g., employment, assignment), passing subtest scores are not provided on test results reports. CSET scores must be used toward a California credential within ten years of the test date.**

### Subtest Scores

To pass an examination of the CSET, you must earn a passing score on each of the examination's required subtests, which are listed in the "Tests" section at [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com). Each CSET subtest is scored separately.

The minimum passing score for each subtest was established by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing based on recommendations from California teachers and teacher educators. Passing status is determined on the basis of total subtest performance. Test results are reported as scaled scores. A scaled score is based on the number of raw score points earned on each section (multiple-choice section and/or constructed-response section) and the weighting of each section. Raw scores are converted to a scale of 100 to 300, with the scaled score of 220 representing the minimum passing score.

**A passing subtest score must be achieved at a single CSET administration; performance on sections of subtests cannot be combined across administrations. Once you pass a subtest, you do not have to take that subtest again as long as you use the score toward certification within ten years of the test date.**

Examinees registered for CSET: Art Subtest II must submit six photographs of their artwork in order for CSET: Art Subtest II to be scored. If six photographs are not submitted, the examinee does not pass the subtest. Furthermore, if one or more of the six photographs do not meet the requirements specified in the CSET: Art Subtest II Portfolio Procedures Manual, a rating of "Unscorable" on the portfolio component written assignment(s) is assigned.

Examinees registered for CSET: Music Subtest II are required to submit video recorded materials (two video recordings) in order for CSET: Music Subtest II to be scored. If two video recordings are not submitted, or if one or both video recordings do not contain audio and video within the first three minutes, the examinee does not pass the subtest. Furthermore, if one or both of the video recordings do not meet the requirements specified in the CSET: Music Subtest II Video Performance Procedures Manual, a rating of "Unscorable" on the assignment(s) is assigned.

### Meeting the Basic Skills Requirement

As of May 2007, examinees who pass all three subtests of CSET: Multiple Subjects (101, 102 or 214, 103) and CSET: Writing Skills (142) will have met the state basic skills requirement and are not required to take the California Basic Educational Skills Test™ (CBEST®).

### Retaking the CSET

If you wish to register to retake the CSET, all necessary registration information is available at [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com).

### Reporting of CSET Results

Your CSET test results have been sent to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Your CSET results will also be sent to the institution, if any, that you indicated when you registered for the CSET and to any other institution or office authorized by you or required by law, entity, or person required or authorized by law to receive this information.

To protect the confidentiality of your new CSET results, they will not be provided to anyone over the telephone or by fax and will not be released to anyone without your written permission unless required by law.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Only you will receive a full test results report, containing your passing status, scaled scores (if not passed), and diagnostic feedback. Any institution that you indicated when you registered will only receive your passing status and scaled scores (if not passed).

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## Scoring

Responses to multiple-choice questions are machine scored as correct or incorrect. Multiple-choice section scores are based on the number of correct answers. Responses to the constructed-response assignments are scored by at least two qualified California educators using standardized procedures. Scorers focus on the extent to which a response fulfills the following performance characteristics.\*

- **Purpose:** the extent to which the response addresses the constructed-response assignment's charge in relation to relevant CSET subject matter requirements or relevant CSET content specifications
- **Subject Matter Knowledge:** the application of accurate subject matter knowledge as described in the relevant CSET subject matter requirements or relevant CSET content specifications
- **Support:** the appropriateness and quality of the supporting evidence in relation to relevant CSET subject matter requirements or relevant CSET content specifications

For some constructed-response assignments, scorers also focus on the extent to which a response fulfills a fourth performance characteristic.

- **Depth and Breadth of Understanding:** the degree to which the response demonstrates understanding of the relevant CSET subject matter requirements

**CSET test guides contain information about performance characteristics and the scoring of constructed-response assignments.** CSET test guides may be viewed or downloaded free of charge at [www.ctcexams.nesinc.com](http://www.ctcexams.nesinc.com).

\*Some constructed-response assignments in World Languages and CSET: Writing Skills have different performance characteristics, as listed on individual test results reports and in the subject-specific CSET test guides.

## Proportions of Subtest Sections

In determining your overall score on a subtest, a proportion is assigned to both the multiple-choice section and the constructed-response section. The proportions of the subtest sections are as follows.

Proportions	Subtests
70%: Multiple Choice 30%: Constructed Response	These are the proportions for most subtests; exceptions are listed below.
80%: Multiple Choice 20%: Constructed Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Science Subtest I (215)</li> <li>• Science Subtests I and II (118, 119)</li> <li>• Science Subtest IV: Biology, Chemistry, and Physics (124, 125, 127)</li> <li>• Music Subtest I (136)</li> <li>• Subtest II: French, German, and Spanish (149, 152, 146)</li> <li>• Health Science Subtests II and III (179, 180)</li> </ul>
50%: Multiple Choice 50%: Constructed Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subtest III: French, German, Russian, and Spanish (150, 153, 156, 147)</li> <li>• Cantonese Subtests I, II, and III (202, 203, 204)</li> <li>• English Language Development Subtests I, II, and III (205, 206, 207)</li> <li>• Korean Subtests I, II, and III (160, 161, 162)</li> <li>• Mandarin Subtests I, II, and III (163, 164, 165)</li> <li>• Punjabi Subtests I, II, and III (166, 167, 168)</li> </ul>
40%: Multiple Choice 60%: Constructed Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• American Sign Language Subtest III (188)</li> <li>• Japanese Subtests I, II, and III (157, 158, 159)</li> <li>• Vietnamese Subtests I, II, and III (169, 170, 171)</li> </ul>
Not applicable  (Subtests that consist of only multiple-choice questions OR only constructed-response assignments)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English subtests (105, 106, 107, 108)</li> <li>• Writing Skills (142)</li> <li>• Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Portuguese, and Turkish (301, 304, 303, 302, 305)</li> <li>• Subtests I and II: Arabic, Armenian, Farsi, Filipino, Hmong, and Khmer (192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 190, 191, 198, 199, 200, 201)</li> <li>• World Languages Subtest IV (250)</li> <li>• Subtest V: Arabic, Armenian, Chinese, Farsi, Filipino, French, German, Hmong, Japanese, Khmer, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese (251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 258, 265)</li> </ul>

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