



HOW TO READ YOUR SCORE REPORT

Overview. This score report provides your test results for the subtest(s) of the Core Academic Skills Assessment that you took on the test date(s) listed. The Core Academic Skills Assessment includes three subtests (Reading, Mathematics, and Writing). The purpose of the Core Academic Skills Assessment is to assess basic knowledge and skills in reading, writing, and mathematics needed for entry into Indiana educator preparation programs.

Status. "Pass" or "Did Not Pass" status is based on your total score for each subtest. You must pass each subtest of the Core Academic Skills Assessment if you plan to use your scores to satisfy entry requirements for Indiana educator preparation programs.

If you did not pass a subtest, your score report will include a Detailed Performance Analysis to help you identify areas for improvement. The Detailed Performance Analysis provides information regarding the number of questions on the test for each objective (standard) and the percentage you answered correctly. For the Writing subtest, the Detailed Performance Analysis also provides performance information for the writing assignment.

Your Score. Your score is a scaled score. For each subtest, the score is based on your performance on all sections of the subtest and is converted to a scale that ranges from 100 to 300, with a score of 220 representing the passing score for a subtest. The passing score for each subtest is established by the Indiana State Board of Education and is based on the professional judgments and recommendations of Indiana educators.

Domain Level Information. This section of your score report contains information regarding your performance on each domain, or major content area, included in the assessment. This information can help you identify areas of relative strengths and weaknesses.

Multiple-choice questions. For multiple-choice sections, you will find the number of questions included in each domain as well as the percentage of these questions that you answered correctly. Please note that each test form includes a small number of questions that do not count toward your score and status; therefore, the sum of the number of questions is less than the number of questions you completed on the test date.

Constructed-response assignment. If you took the Writing subtest, you will find the maximum number of score points available for the writing assignment as well as your score on the assignment. If your response to the writing assignment is designated "Blank" or "Unscorable," you will see one of the following codes.

Codes for Blank/Unscorable Responses	
B	Blank – answer was blank
U-1	Response was unrelated to the assigned topic
U-2	Response was illegible
U-3	Response was not primarily in English
U-4	Response lacked sufficient amount of original work
U-5	Response was merely a repetition of the assignment

Testing History. The Testing History lists the date on which you first passed each Core Academic Skills Assessment subtest. Please note that you must pass all three subtests to demonstrate proficiency in basic reading, writing, and mathematics.

Reporting of Scores. Your scores are reported directly to the Indiana Department of Education and the Indiana educator preparation program that you indicated when you registered. Your score report is for your information only. Keep a copy for your permanent records.

Retaking a Test. If you need to retake a Core Academic Skills Assessment subtest, you must wait 30 days after your previous attempt before retaking that subtest. Information about test registration, program policies, and test preparation resources is available on the program website, www.in.nesinc.com.