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Versant English Placement Test

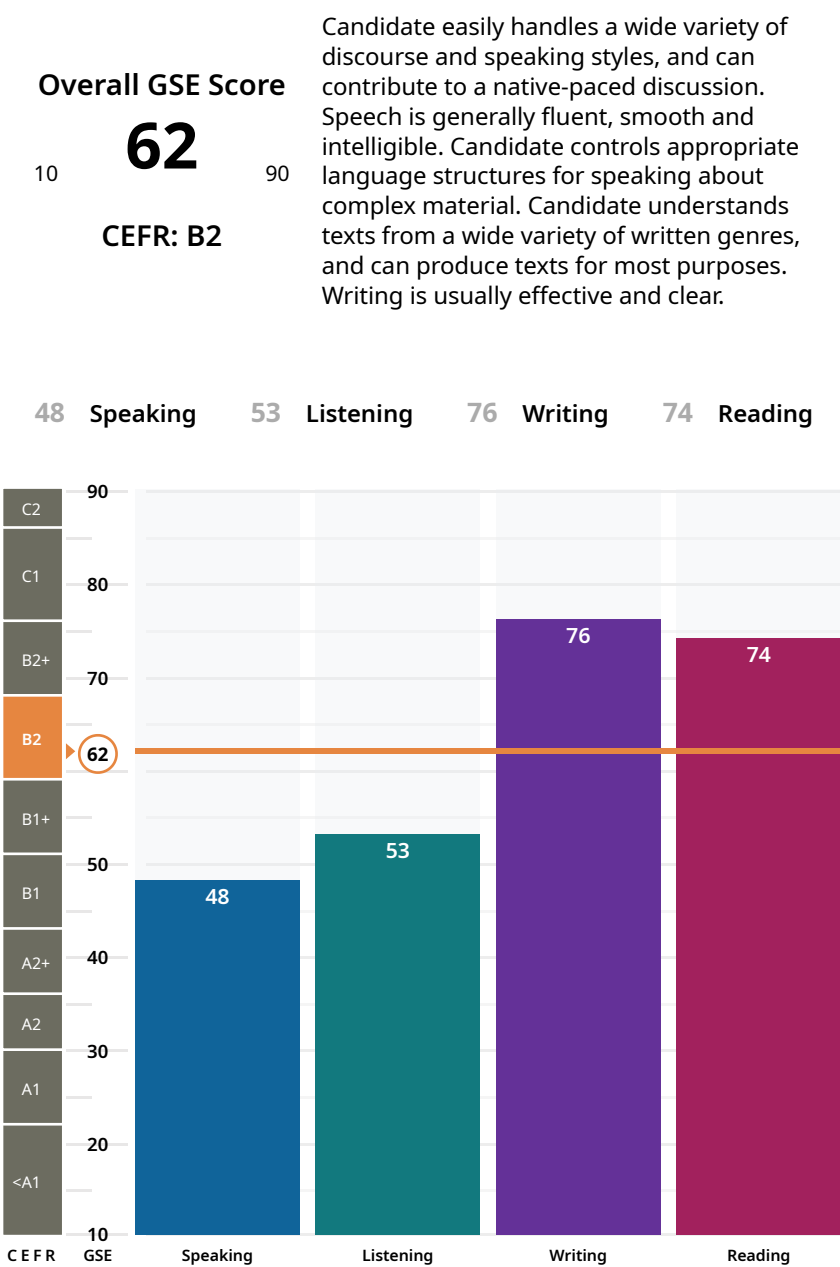ⓘ Versant scores are aligned to the Global Scale of English (GSE). The GSE runs from 10 to 90, with clear statements of what a learner can achieve at any point on the scale.

Overall GSE Score
62
10   90

CEFR: B2

Candidate easily handles a wide variety of discourse and speaking styles, and can contribute to a native-paced discussion. Speech is generally fluent, smooth and intelligible. Candidate controls appropriate language structures for speaking about complex material. Candidate understands texts from a wide variety of written genres, and can produce texts for most purposes. Writing is usually effective and clear.

48 Speaking   **53** Listening   **76** Writing   **74** Reading

Understanding the Skills

Overall Score
The Overall score of the test represents the ability to understand spoken and written English and respond appropriately in speaking and writing on everyday topics, at an appropriate pace and in intelligible English. Scores are based on a weighted combination of the four skill scores.

GSE
The Global Scale of English (GSE) is a standardized, granular scale from 10 to 90, which measures English language proficiency. Visit **English.com/gse** to learn more.

GSE **62**/90 is equivalent to Versant **59**/80

Additional Performance Indicators

Typing Speed
42 words per minute
Typing speed is the number of words typed in one minute in the Typing task. For a valid Writing score, candidates should type faster than 12 WPM.

Typing Accuracy
76% words typed accurately
Typing accuracy refers to the percentage correctly typed in the Typing task. For a valid Writing score, candidates should have at least 90% accuracy.

Current Capabilities in Detail

Understanding the Skills

Speaking: GSE: **48**/90 Versant: **49**/80 CEFR: **B1**

Candidate produces some simple and meaningful sentences. Candidate speaks with adequate rhythm but some sections are uneven. Many words are produced clearly, but some sounds are mispronounced.

♀ Tips to improve:
- Practice providing an explanation of something related to your work or something that you know a lot about.
- Practice explaining your opinion on a current issue.

Speaking

Speaking reflects the ability to produce English phrases and clauses in complete sentences. The score is based on the ability to produce consonants, vowels, and stress in a native-like manner, use accurate syntax, use words appropriately in contexts, and use appropriate rhythm, phrasing, and timing.

Listening: GSE: **53**/90 Versant: **53**/80 CEFR: **B1+**

Candidate generally follows the main points of a discussion provided speech is clear, but will miss some details.

♀ Tips to improve:
- Practice listening to language spoken at a normal speed by listening to and summarizing a podcast episode.
- Practice identifying the key points about a radio program.

Listening

Listening reflects the ability to understand specific details and main ideas from everyday English speech. The score is based on the ability to track meaning and infer the message from English that is spoken at a conversational pace.

Writing: GSE: **76**/90 Versant: **68**/80 CEFR: **C1**

Candidate writes clear, well-structured texts on a wide variety of subjects using a wide range of grammatical structures and English words.

♀ Tips to improve:
- Practice writing a letter of application for your dream job, describing your skills and background in detail, and explaining why you are qualified.
- Choose a movie or documentary that you find interesting, summarize it, and write a commentary discussing the main theme.

Writing

Writing reflects the ability to produce written English texts on everyday topics. The score is based on the ability to present ideas and information in a clear and logical sequence, use a wide range of appropriate words as well as a variety of sentences structures.

Reading: GSE: **74**/90 Versant: **67**/80 CEFR: **B2+**

Candidate reads, understands and responds to texts on everyday topics at a functional pace. In more complex texts, specific, important details may be lost.

♀ Tips to improve:
- Practice reading short fictional stories in English and then writing a brief summary.
- Practice quickly scanning newspaper and magazine articles to find the key information.

Reading

Reading reflects the ability to understand written English texts on everyday topics. The score is based on the ability to operate at functional speeds to extract meaning, infer the message, and respond appropriately.