

- A. Explain how a score distribution for a group of examinees may be characterized with measures of central tendency and measures of variability.
- B. Compute and interpret common measures of central tendency and measures of variability.
- C. Recognize the meanings of terms such as *discrete variable*, *continuous variable*, *frequency*, *cumulative frequency*, *cumulative probability*, *measures of central tendency*, *measures of variability*, *expected value*, *normal curve*, *standard normal curve*, *raw score*, *deviation score*, *z-score*, *correlation coefficient*, *scatterplot*, *regression coefficient*, *prediction equation*, *standard error of the estimate*, and *homoscedasticity*.
- D. Convert raw scores to deviation scores and z-scores.
- E. Relate z-scores based on a normal distribution to areas under the normal curve by using a standard, normal z-table.
- F. Recognize situations where z-scores may be more useful than raw scores.
- G. Use scatterplots to make interpretations about the nature of the relationships among the variables.
- H. Compute and interpret correlation coefficients.
- I. Explain the relationship between a scatterplot and its regression line.
- J. Compute the values of slope and intercept of a regression line for a data set, and use these in construction of the line.
- K. Use the regression equation to estimate an individual's predicted values on a criterion variable, given the score on a predictor variable.
- L. Use the standard error of estimate to generate a confidence band around a predicted criterion score value.

	Distribution Parameters			
	Normal Distribution	Correlation/Regression		
Knowledge				10%
Comprehension				30%
Application				60%
	35%	15%	50%	

2. Assume that you wanted to construct a test covering the statistics unit by using the preceding table of specifications. You have time to administer a 30-item test.
 - A. Approximately what percentage of items should be written at the levels of knowledge, comprehension, and application, respectively?
 - B. Approximately what percentage of items should cover the topics of basic distribution descriptors and correlation, respectively?
 - C. Approximately what percentage of items should cover correlation and regression at the application level?
3. Review the item specification presented in Figure 4.1. Develop a similar specification for the subskill "Demonstrates an ability to subtract decimals."
4. A. Consider the following problem from the exam of a high school physics class: "A quantity of gas was collected over water at 16°C. The pressure of the mixture of gases was 982.9 torr. The water vapor was removed and the remaining gas had a partial pressure of 969.3 torr. What is the vapor pressure of water at 16°C." If the teacher