

**Identifying Inter-subject Difficulties in Norwegian  
GPA Data Using Item Response Theory**

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**Table 1***Generalised Partial Credit Model (GPCM) Parameter Estimates*

Subject Code	Subject Name	$a$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$	$b_5$
NORW	Written Norwegian	3.021 (0.025)	-2.882 (0.026)	-1.535 (0.010)	-0.403 (0.006)	0.627 (0.007)	1.789 (0.011)
NORO	Oral Norwegian	3.346 (0.028)	-3.024 (0.031)	-1.845 (0.011)	-0.817 (0.007)	0.154 (0.006)	1.300 (0.008)
ENGW	Written English	1.790 (0.015)	-2.875 (0.029)	-1.638 (0.013)	-0.559 (0.009)	0.534 (0.008)	1.741 (0.013)
ENGO	Oral English	1.689 (0.014)	-3.185 (0.041)	-2.024 (0.016)	-1.001 (0.010)	0.175 (0.008)	1.473 (0.011)
MATH	Mathematics	1.715 (0.014)	-2.773 (0.024)	-1.027 (0.010)	-0.113 (0.009)	0.619 (0.009)	1.694 (0.013)
NATS	Natural Sciences	2.656 (0.022)	-2.877 (0.026)	-1.602 (0.010)	-0.640 (0.007)	0.206 (0.007)	1.266 (0.009)
SOCS	Social Sciences	3.397 (0.028)	-2.920 (0.027)	-1.766 (0.010)	-0.826 (0.007)	0.074 (0.006)	1.170 (0.008)
RELI	Religion and Ethics	3.154 (0.026)	-2.850 (0.025)	-1.715 (0.011)	-0.800 (0.007)	0.108 (0.006)	1.181 (0.008)
MUSI	Music	1.331 (0.011)	-3.832 (0.077)	-2.558 (0.026)	-1.493 (0.014)	-0.140 (0.009)	1.559 (0.013)
HAND	Arts and Handcraft	1.138 (0.010)	-4.129 (0.101)	-2.924 (0.032)	-1.616 (0.016)	-0.124 (0.010)	1.751 (0.016)
FOOD	Food and Health	1.429 (0.012)	-4.565 (0.173)	-3.263 (0.037)	-1.644 (0.014)	-0.208 (0.009)	1.479 (0.012)
PHED	Physical Education	0.804 (0.008)	-4.483 (0.138)	-3.264 (0.050)	-2.295 (0.026)	-0.658 (0.015)	1.750 (0.019)

*Note.* A generalised partial credit model (GPCM) computes the discrimination ( $a$ ) and difficulty ( $b$ ) parameters for each subject. Standard errors are enclosed in parenthesis below point estimates. All estimates are significant at .001 level.