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Description

The Pennsylvania System of School Assessment for grade 6 and 9 writing was administered in the fall of 2002. All students were expected to participate; private schools and home-schooled students were permitted to participate as desired. Approximately 140,000 students per grade participated.

The assessment consisted of 15 field-test writing prompts and 2 common writing prompts at each grade. The common prompts used for grade 6 were informational and persuasive modes and narrative and persuasive for grade 9. Each writing sample was scored by one reader. A random sample of 10 percent of the papers was read by a second reader as part of the quality assurance process, but the second scores were not used in the reporting.

Scores were reported in a scale score metric that is analogous to those used for reading and mathematics in grades 5, 8 and 11. As with the other grades, the scale score metric was designed so that the mean school-level scale score for each grade was 1300 and the standard deviation of the school-level scores was 100.

Changes for 2002

A minimum scale score of 700 was implemented for all PSSA Reading, Mathematics and Writing exams in 2002. This minimum was applied to all the PSSA scales. It affected very few students; several schools felt they were being penalized by the presence of some special needs students who took the regular assessment but scored very low. The change was made to reduce the impact of these students on the overall school score.

This was also the first administration for which performance standards (Advanced, Proficient, Basic and Below Basic) have been reported for grade 6 and 9 writing.

A very small number of students at grade 6 and 9 responded to the wrong writing prompts, including prompts for the other grade level. During the handscoring process, data was gathered and reviewed with the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). There were no discernable patterns to the administration of inappropriate prompts.

PDE and DRC agreed that scores should be reported for all students regardless of which prompt they took. Some students who responded to an out-of mode prompt received a student report without state-level summary data. Meaningful state-level data could not be generated for these students because too few students responded to the prompt in that grade level. Sixty-two (62) grade 6 students received reports without state data (less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of the grade 6 students who took the test). Eighty-eight (88) grade 9 students received reports without state data (less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of grade 9 students who took the test).

The specific instances of this testing irregularity are outlined in Appendix B.

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Scoring

Each writing sample was scored using a domain scoring model with five domains and a four-point rubric.

For a *scorable* paper, the final scale for a paper ranged from five (all ones for the five domains) to twenty (all fours for the five domains). A paper was deemed *nonscorable* if it was blank with no explanation, illegible or deliberately off topic. A nonscorable paper was given scores of **zero** for all domains. A paper was considered a *non-attempt* if it was blank with a suitable explanation. The explanations included *extended absence*, *withdrawal from school*, *student replying to an alternate assessment for writing* and *parental request*. These papers were **not** given scores.

A random sample of 10 percent of the papers was reread by a different reader as a part of the quality assurance process. Tables 1 and 2 below show the inter-reader agreement for writing tasks at each domain for grade 6 and 9, respectively. The total agreement indicates that nearly 100 percent of the readers rated papers similarly.

Table 1
Grade 6 Inter-Reader Agreement for Common Writing Tasks

Common Prompt 1	Domain 1	Domain 2	Domain 3	Domain 4	Domain 5
Exact	79.5	79.8	77.9	76.5	76.2
Adjacent	20.4	20.1	22.0	23.3	23.4
Total Agreement	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.8	99.6
Common Prompt 2	Domain 1	Domain 2	Domain 3	Domain 4	Domain 5
Exact	76.3	77.1	76.0	74.7	73.9
Adjacent	23.6	22.8	23.6	25.2	26.0
Total Agreement	99.9	99.9	99.6	99.9	99.9

Table 2
Grade 9 Inter-Reader Agreement for Common Writing Tasks

Common Prompt 1	Domain 1	Domain 2	Domain 3	Domain 4	Domain 5
Exact	77.4	78.0	77.0	76.0	74.7
Adjacent	22.6	22.0	22.8	23.8	25.2
Total Agreement	100.0	100.0	99.8	99.8	99.9
Common Prompt 2	Domain 1	Domain 2	Domain 3	Domain 4	Domain 5
Exact	75.8	78.5	77.8	76.0	75.1
Adjacent	24.2	21.4	22.1	24.0	24.9
Total Agreement	100.0	99.9	99.9	100.0	100.0

Tables 3 and 4 that follow show the correlations among domains and between readers for grade 6 and 9, respectively. The correlation between two readers reading the same paper is approximately 0.85 for grade 9 and approximately 0.87 for grade 6. While not shown in the table, the correlations between two papers are similar to the correlations between readers.

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Table 3
Grade 6 Reader and Domain Correlations for Common Tasks

Common Prompt 1: Informational												
	R1D1	R1D2	R1D3	R1D4	R1D5	Reader 1	R2D1	R2D2	R2D3	R2D4	R2D5	Reader 2
R1D1	1.00	0.79	0.79	0.75	0.68	0.90	0.79	0.72	0.71	0.68	0.64	0.79
R1D2		1.00	0.79	0.79	0.66	0.90	0.71	0.81	0.71	0.71	0.63	0.80
R1D3			1.00	0.78	0.70	0.91	0.70	0.71	0.78	0.70	0.65	0.79
R1D4				1.00	0.76	0.91	0.68	0.71	0.70	0.79	0.69	0.80
R1D5					1.00	0.86	0.63	0.63	0.65	0.69	0.80	0.76
Reader 1						1.00	0.78	0.80	0.79	0.80	0.77	0.88
R2D1							1.00	0.79	0.79	0.75	0.70	0.89
R2D2								1.00	0.78	0.78	0.68	0.90
R2D3									1.00	0.78	0.71	0.90
R2D4										1.00	0.77	0.91
R2D5											1.00	0.87
Reader 2												1.00
Common Prompt 2: Persuasive												
	R1D1	R1D2	R1D3	R1D4	R1D5	Reader 1	R2D1	R2D2	R2D3	R2D4	R2D5	Reader 2
R1D1	1.00	0.78	0.79	0.76	0.70	0.89	0.76	0.70	0.71	0.68	0.64	0.77
R1D2		1.00	0.81	0.79	0.68	0.90	0.70	0.78	0.72	0.71	0.64	0.79
R1D3			1.00	0.80	0.71	0.91	0.70	0.72	0.77	0.71	0.66	0.79
R1D4				1.00	0.78	0.92	0.68	0.71	0.71	0.77	0.69	0.79
R1D5					1.00	0.86	0.63	0.63	0.65	0.69	0.78	0.76
Reader 1						1.00	0.77	0.79	0.79	0.79	0.76	0.87
R2D1							1.00	0.79	0.79	0.75	0.69	0.89
R2D2								1.00	0.80	0.78	0.69	0.90
R2D3									1.00	0.79	0.71	0.91
R2D4										1.00	0.78	0.91
R2D5											1.00	0.87
Reader 2												1.00

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Table 4
Grade 9 Reader and Domain Correlations for Common Tasks

Common Prompt 1: Narrative												
	R1D1	R1D2	R1D3	R1D4	R1D5	Reader 1	R2D1	R2D2	R2D3	R2D4	R2D5	Reader 2
R1D1	1.00	0.69	0.72	0.66	0.62	0.84	0.73	0.62	0.64	0.61	0.58	0.72
R1D2		1.00	0.78	0.75	0.69	0.89	0.63	0.75	0.68	0.68	0.63	0.76
R1D3			1.00	0.77	0.72	0.90	0.63	0.68	0.73	0.68	0.64	0.76
R1D4				1.00	0.81	0.91	0.60	0.67	0.67	0.74	0.69	0.76
R1D5					1.00	0.88	0.58	0.63	0.64	0.69	0.75	0.75
Reader 1						1.00	0.72	0.76	0.76	0.77	0.75	0.85
R2D1							1.00	0.71	0.73	0.68	0.63	0.84
R2D2								1.00	0.78	0.75	0.69	0.89
R2D3									1.00	0.77	0.72	0.91
R2D4										1.00	0.80	0.91
R2D5											1.00	0.88
Reader 2												1.00
Common Prompt 2: Persuasive												
	R1D1	R1D2	R1D3	R1D4	R1D5	Reader 1	R2D1	R2D2	R2D3	R2D4	R2D5	Reader 2
R1D1	1.00	0.76	0.74	0.70	0.67	0.87	0.73	0.67	0.66	0.63	0.61	0.74
R1D2		1.00	0.77	0.74	0.67	0.89	0.67	0.78	0.69	0.67	0.63	0.77
R1D3			1.00	0.77	0.72	0.90	0.65	0.69	0.76	0.68	0.65	0.77
R1D4				1.00	0.81	0.91	0.63	0.68	0.68	0.76	0.70	0.78
R1D5					1.00	0.88	0.61	0.64	0.65	0.70	0.77	0.76
Reader 1						1.00	0.74	0.78	0.77	0.78	0.76	0.86
R2D1							1.00	0.75	0.73	0.70	0.67	0.86
R2D2								1.00	0.78	0.75	0.69	0.89
R2D3									1.00	0.77	0.72	0.90
R2D4										1.00	0.81	0.91
R2D5											1.00	0.88
Reader 2												1.00

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Calibration and Scaling

The previous administrations of the grade 6 and 9 writing test were calibrated and scaled with a proprietary version of Rasch measurement software developed at DRC. In 2002, it was decided to move the calibration and scaling of the grade 6 and 9 Writing tests to publicly available software. The program selected for calibration was WINSTEPS. This software uses the family of Rasch two-facet measurement models as the basis for a variety of Rasch calibration, equating and scaling functions. WINSTEPS is the industry standard for implementing Rasch measurement models.

Because of the shift in calibration programs and the design of the linking between the 2001 and 2002 administrations, it was necessary to design a multileveled approach to the equating and scaling of the 2002 results. The first step was to recalibrate the two operational (common) prompts from the 2001 administration. This was to ensure that the logit step and item values used in linking the two forms were equivalent. Sometimes differences in estimation procedures and different implementation of convergence rules during estimation result in estimates of item and person parameters that may vary slightly. To avoid the possibility that this difference might introduce unexpected differences into the equating process, the 2001 data was recalibrated using the WINSTEPS program with the default convergence criteria.

In using the WINSTEPS program, there are several choices that must be specified. The first is the selection of the measurement model. In this case, the Rasch partial credit model was chosen. The partial credit model estimates the threshold parameters for each item (prompt domain in this assessment) independently and uses the expression δ_{ij} to represent the threshold difficulty. The $k-1$ thresholds, where k is the number of score categories, replace the item difficulty and global threshold parameters associated with the Rasch rating scale model. There is no item difficulty parameter in the partial credit model.

Some authors suggest that the sum of the threshold difficulties represents the item difficulty, but this characterization ignores the dispersion of the thresholds, which can vary quite widely and still sum to the same value. To facilitate simplification of the output (printed and files), WINSTEPS reports an item difficulty for all items in a partial credit model and adjusts the threshold difficulties to sum to zero. This is a mere notational convention and does not imply that an item difficulty was estimated for each item. The estimation algorithm in WINSTEPS actually estimates the conventional partial credit model.

During the recalibration of the two operational prompts from 2001 for the grade 6 and grade 9 administrations, two WINSTEPS output files, an item file and a step file, were generated that were used to anchor the calibration of Forms A and B in the 2002 administration. Prompt One from the 2001 administration appeared as the matrix prompt on Form B, and Prompt Two from the 2001 administration appeared as the matrix prompt on Form A. The matrix prompt was the first prompt in the 2002 administration and was followed by the two operational (common) prompts. There were 17 different forms

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administered in the 2002 administration. Forms A and B contained the two operational prompts from the 2001 administration that were used to link the two administrations to a metric with a common origin. There were 15 additional forms (forms 1-15) that were field-test prompts. A WINSTEPS anchored calibration was run for Forms A and B using the modified item and step files from the 2001 calibration of the two linking matrix prompts. The two common prompts from the 2002 administration were free to vary. Anchoring the item parameter in this calibration forced the origin of the scale back to the origin established in the calibration of the 2001 administration.

The results of this calibration indicated that there was a systematic shift in the difficulty of the domains for each prompt between the 2001 administration as scored domains and the 2002 administration as domains from matrix prompts. Table 5 lists the results for grade 6 Forms A and B. Table 6 lists the results for grade 9 Forms A and B.

Table 5
Grade 6 Item Calibrations for Forms A and B

Form A

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	12044	4535	.02A	.03	1.29	9.9	1.50	9.9	.75	-.19	P1D1	0
2	11718	4535	.20A	.03	1.15	6.7	1.21	7.8	.78	-.05	P1D2	0
3	11418	4535	.38A	.03	1.09	4.2	1.12	4.6	.79	.06	P1D3	0
4	11681	4535	.19A	.03	1.08	3.7	1.10	4.1	.80	.09	P1D4	0
5	12090	4535	-.08A	.03	1.14	6.4	1.15	6.1	.78	.09	P1D5	0

Form B

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	11784	4363	-.24A	.03	1.30	9.9	1.38	9.9	.76	-.09	P1D1	0
2	11569	4363	-.09A	.03	1.19	8.3	1.22	8.2	.77	-.06	P1D2	0
3	11530	4363	-.09A	.03	1.10	4.3	1.11	4.2	.79	.07	P1D3	0
4	11520	4363	-.06A	.03	1.07	3.4	1.09	3.5	.80	.02	P1D4	0
5	11777	4363	-.24A	.03	1.10	4.4	1.11	4.7	.79	.03	P1D5	0

The numbers listed in the MEASURE column are the values from the 2001 calibration for the two prompts in each grade. The “A” next to each value signifies that this value was *anchored*. WINSTEPS fixed these items at the anchored value. In addition, WINSTEPS calculates what that value would have been if the item difficulty had been determined by the 2002 data. The difference between those two values is listed in the DISPLACE column. The value in this column would be added to the value in the measure column to obtain the new value. Positive values in this column indicate that the item is more difficult in this administration than in the last (anchor) administration and negative values indicate that the item is easier than in the last administration.

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Table 6
Grade 9 Item Calibrations for Forms A and B

Form A

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	12242	4515	-.09A	.03	1.31	9.9	1.34	9.9	.72	-.08	P1D1	0
2	12261	4515	-.10A	.03	1.16	6.9	1.14	5.0	.75	-.14	P1D2	0
3	12047	4515	.21A	.03	1.13	5.5	1.11	3.5	.75	-.21	P1D3	0
4	12109	4515	-.03A	.03	1.13	5.5	1.12	4.2	.77	.06	P1D4	0
5	11870	4515	-.02A	.03	1.20	8.5	1.24	7.7	.77	.34	P1D5	0

Form B

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	14619	5450	-.16A	.03	1.15	6.9	1.16	5.9	.74	-.20	P1D1	0
2	13961	5450	.15A	.03	1.08	4.2	1.07	2.8	.77	-.19	P1D2	0
3	14068	5450	.28A	.03	1.03	1.6	1.01	.4	.76	-.18	P1D3	0
4	14202	5450	-.09A	.03	1.05	2.4	1.05	1.8	.77	.14	P1D4	0
5	14045	5450	-.15A	.03	1.17	7.8	1.20	7.0	.77	.40	P1D5	0

Using the data on the first line of Table 5, Domain 1 from Prompt 1 for grade 6, the anchor value, in the MEASURE column is 0.02. The value in the DISPLACE column is -0.19. Therefore, the item is 0.19 logits easier in this administration than it was in the last. If this was an independent calibration, the logit estimated for the 2002 data would have been -0.17, $(0.02 + (-0.19))$.

One would like to see all values of 0.0 in the displacement column, indicating that the item difficulty was invariant across the two administrations. However, each item difficulty estimate contains an error component, and the size of that error component is given by the size of the standard error that is found in the ERROR column. This is the standard error for this calibration, not the original 2001 calibration. The standard error from the 2001 calibration was 0.01 so that the standard error of the difference between the two calibrations would be $(.03^2 + .01^2)^{.5}$ or approximately 0.03. Thus, the difference between the two calibrations for Domain 1 from Prompt 1 is approximately 6 standard errors.

There is a fairly clear pattern across the two prompts and the two grades. The first two domains for each prompt were easier in 2002 than in 2001, and the last two domains were harder in 2002 than they were in 2001. The third domain varies, but is significantly easier in 2002 for grade 9.

These two calibrations produced two different equatings between the 2001 form and the 2002 forms. As the link between the forms always contain error, the decision was made to average the two links to produce the final 2002 operational prompt values that would be used to produce the 2002 operational raw score to logit conversion table. The item

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values for the two operational prompts (items 6-15) for both forms are shown in Tables 7 and 8 for grade 6 and 9.

Table 7
Grade 6 Common Item Difficulties for Forms A and B

Location	Form A		Form B		Average
	Difficulty	SE	Difficulty	SE	
6	-.07	.03	-.02	.03	-.045
7	.24	.03	.23	.03	.235
8	.44	.03	.42	.03	.430
9	.26	.03	.25	.03	.255
10	-.09	.03	-.04	.03	-.065
11	.36	.03	.29	.03	.325
12	.76	.03	.70	.03	.730
13	.81	.03	.78	.03	.795
14	.67	.03	.58	.03	.625
15	.34	.03	.29	.03	.315

Table 8
Grade 9 Common Item Difficulties for Forms A and B

Location	Form A		Form B		Average
	Difficulty	SE	Difficulty	SE	
6	.36	.03	.21	.03	.285
7	.34	.03	.19	.03	.265
8	.32	.03	.17	.03	.245
9	.27	.03	.12	.03	.195
10	.31	.03	.16	.03	.235
11	.67	.03	.52	.03	.595
12	.93	.03	.78	.03	.855
13	1.14	.03	.99	.03	1.065
14	.90	.03	.75	.03	.825
15	.96	.03	.81	.03	.885

These averaged item and step values were then entered into anchor files, and the entire acceptable score file was calibrated in WINSTEPS to produce the raw score logit conversion table. This table is found in Table 9 for grade 6 and Table 10 for grade 9.

The “E” after the scores of 0 and 40 indicate that these are estimated based on partial scores, as the estimate for a zero and perfect score in the Rasch model is negative and positive infinity. In WINSTEPS, this partial score is a variable that can range between 0.01 and 0.99. In this calibration, it was set at the default value of 0.30. As a result, the logit reported for a raw score of 0 was estimated for a raw score of 0.3, and the logit listed for a raw score of 40 was estimated for raw score of 39.7.

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These logit values were anchored to the 2001 metric and origin through the two linking prompts included as matrix prompts. A second linear conversion was necessary to convert the logits into the standard score scale used to report the results of the grade 6 and 9 Writing test.

Table 9
Grade 6 Raw Score/Logit Conversion
Table

SCORE	MEASURE	S. E.
0	-8.99E	1.85
1	-7.72	1.05
2	-6.92	.78
3	-6.40	.67
4	-5.99	.62
5	-5.63	.59
6	-5.29	.57
7	-4.97	.56
8	-4.66	.56
9	-4.34	.56
10	-4.02	.57
11	-3.70	.57
12	-3.38	.57
13	-3.06	.57
14	-2.73	.58
15	-2.39	.59
16	-2.03	.61
17	-1.64	.65
18	-1.18	.70
19	-.64	.77
20	.00	.81
21	.64	.78
22	1.19	.71
23	1.66	.66
24	2.07	.63
25	2.46	.62
26	2.85	.63
27	3.25	.65
28	3.69	.68
29	4.19	.73
30	4.74	.75
31	5.29	.73
32	5.79	.69
33	6.23	.65
34	6.64	.63
35	7.04	.63
36	7.44	.65
37	7.89	.70
38	8.44	.80
39	9.26	1.06
40	10.55E	1.86

Table 10
Grade 9 Raw Score/Logit Conversion
Table

SCORE	MEASURE	S. E.
0	-8.28E	1.84
1	-7.04	1.03
2	-6.28	.75
3	-5.81	.63
4	-5.45	.57
5	-5.16	.52
6	-4.90	.50
7	-4.66	.48
8	-4.43	.47
9	-4.22	.46
10	-4.00	.46
11	-3.78	.47
12	-3.56	.48
13	-3.33	.49
14	-3.08	.51
15	-2.81	.54
16	-2.50	.57
17	-2.14	.62
18	-1.71	.70
19	-1.16	.79
20	-.48	.85
21	.21	.80
22	.79	.72
23	1.27	.67
24	1.70	.64
25	2.10	.63
26	2.51	.65
27	2.94	.68
28	3.46	.76
29	4.14	.90
30	5.10	1.03
31	6.06	.90
32	6.73	.76
33	7.25	.68
34	7.68	.64
35	8.09	.64
36	8.50	.65
37	8.95	.70
38	9.49	.80
39	10.31	1.06
40	11.60E	1.86

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Once the five domains for the two common prompts were anchored at their final position on the 2001 metric, it was then possible to calculate the raw score logit conversions for the two prompts separately and for each of the domains summed across the two prompts. The calculation of these conversion tables was accomplished in WINSTEPS using the item delete command. All of the domains from the operational prompts were anchored; however, the appropriate domains were deleted from the analysis on each run. A total of seven runs for each grade were needed to calculate the additional conversion tables (two for the two prompts and five for the combined domains across prompts). The raw score/logit conversion tables for the two separate grade 6 prompts are listed in Table 11. The raw score/logit conversion tables for the two separate grade 9 prompts are listed in Table 12.

Table 11
Grade 6 Raw Score/Logit Conversion Tables by Prompt

Prompt 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S. E.
0	-8.44E	1.88
1	-7.10	1.10
2	-6.17	.87
3	-5.49	.80
4	-4.87	.78
5	-4.25	.79
6	-3.63	.79
7	-2.99	.81
8	-2.31	.86
9	-1.46	1.00
10	-.23	1.18
11	1.01	1.01
12	1.90	.89
13	2.67	.88
14	3.52	.97
15	4.57	1.06
16	5.62	.97
17	6.48	.89
18	7.28	.92
19	8.28	1.13
20	9.65E	1.89

Prompt 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S. E.
0	-8.04E	1.88
1	-6.69	1.10
2	-5.76	.87
3	-5.06	.81
4	-4.41	.80
5	-3.76	.81
6	-3.10	.81
7	-2.44	.81
8	-1.75	.86
9	-.92	.98
10	.23	1.13
11	1.40	1.00
12	2.27	.89
13	3.04	.88
14	3.89	.97
15	4.93	1.06
16	5.98	.97
17	6.83	.89
18	7.63	.91
19	8.62	1.12
20	9.99E	1.89

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Table 12
Grade 9 Raw Score/Logit Conversion Tables by Prompt

Prompt 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.85E	1.85
1	-6.57	1.05
2	-5.77	.79
3	-5.23	.68
4	-4.80	.64
5	-4.40	.63
6	-4.00	.64
7	-3.57	.69
8	-3.04	.78
9	-2.29	.98
10	-.95	1.30
11	.47	1.04
12	1.39	.90
13	2.19	.91
14	3.14	1.08
15	4.91	1.57
16	6.69	1.08
17	7.65	.91
18	8.46	.92
19	9.45	1.12
20	10.82E	1.89

Prompt 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.15E	1.86
1	-5.85	1.07
2	-5.01	.81
3	-4.44	.71
4	-3.96	.67
5	-3.52	.66
6	-3.07	.68
7	-2.59	.72
8	-2.02	.80
9	-1.25	.97
10	-.06	1.17
11	1.17	1.01
12	2.05	.89
13	2.84	.90
14	3.76	1.06
15	5.28	1.38
16	6.81	1.06
17	7.75	.91
18	8.57	.92
19	9.58	1.13
20	10.96E	1.89

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The five domain raw score to logit conversion tables are listed in Table 13 for grade 6 and in Table 14 for grade 9.

Table 13
Grade 6 Raw Score/Logit Conversion Tables by Domain

Domain 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.07E	1.94
1	-5.54	1.24
2	-4.22	1.11
3	-2.90	1.23
4	-.48	1.95
5	2.12	1.38
6	4.54	1.81
7	6.98	1.40
8	8.71E	1.98

Domain 4

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.23E	1.97
1	-5.55	1.34
2	-3.80	1.34
3	-2.06	1.32
4	.28	1.79
5	2.66	1.36
6	4.90	1.67
7	7.17	1.39
8	8.89E	1.98

Domain 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.15E	1.96
1	-5.52	1.31
2	-3.92	1.26
3	-2.29	1.32
4	.33	2.01
5	2.99	1.38
6	5.12	1.57
7	7.25	1.38
8	8.96E	1.98

Domain 5

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.29E	1.97
1	-5.62	1.33
2	-3.93	1.30
3	-2.28	1.29
4	-.15	1.64
5	2.05	1.36
6	4.25	1.64
7	6.47	1.39
8	8.19E	1.98

Domain 3

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.20E	1.97
1	-5.52	1.34
2	-3.76	1.35
3	-2.00	1.33
4	.43	1.85
5	2.90	1.38
6	5.29	1.79
7	7.70	1.40
8	9.42E	1.98

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Table 14
Grade 9 Raw Score/Logit Conversion Tables by Domain

Domain 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.35E	1.84
1	-5.05	1.10
2	-4.05	.95
3	-3.06	1.10
4	-.68	2.19
5	2.20	1.40
6	5.14	2.29
7	8.10	1.41
8	9.83E	1.98

Domain 4

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.54E	1.92
1	-5.07	1.19
2	-3.86	1.06
3	-2.62	1.21
4	-.38	1.81
5	2.09	1.41
6	5.12	2.34
7	8.13	1.41
8	9.87E	1.98

Domain 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.49E	1.91
1	-5.05	1.17
2	-3.89	1.04
3	-2.72	1.19
4	-.32	2.00
5	2.42	1.43
6	5.32	2.16
7	8.14	1.40
8	9.87E	1.98

Domain 5

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.61E	1.95
1	-5.06	1.24
2	-3.72	1.13
3	-2.34	1.26
4	-.13	1.72
5	2.22	1.40
6	5.11	2.19
7	7.97	1.41
8	9.71E	1.98

Domain 3

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.51E	1.91
1	-5.04	1.19
2	-3.84	1.06
3	-2.59	1.22
4	-.37	1.78
5	2.17	1.46
6	5.51	2.55
7	8.72	1.42
8	10.48E	1.99

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Finally, the 15 field-test matrix prompts were mapped onto the 2001 metric again through the common item (domain) equating. Both the step and item anchor files used in the calculation of the previous raw score/logit conversion tables were used to anchor the calculation of the field-test matrix prompts. The same WINSTEPS control file was used for each calibration, except that the “person select” control statement was used to select each of the 15 forms separately. The raw score/logit conversion tables for these 15 calibrations are contained in Tables 15 and 16 for grade 6 and 9, respectively.

Table 15
Grade 6 Matrix Prompt Raw Score to Logit Conversion Tables

Form 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.53E	1.84
1	-5.29	1.02
2	-4.54	.75
3	-4.05	.65
4	-3.66	.61
5	-3.31	.59
6	-2.95	.60
7	-2.57	.64
8	-2.10	.73
9	-1.47	.89
10	-.48	1.08
11	.62	.98
12	1.48	.88
13	2.24	.88
14	3.06	.95
15	4.07	1.03
16	5.08	.95
17	5.91	.88
18	6.70	.91
19	7.68	1.12
20	9.06E	1.89

Form 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.46E	1.84
1	-5.22	1.03
2	-4.45	.76
3	-3.96	.66
4	-3.56	.61
5	-3.20	.60
6	-2.84	.61
7	-2.44	.65
8	-1.97	.73
9	-1.33	.89
10	-.33	1.08
11	.76	.98
12	1.61	.88
13	2.38	.88
14	3.23	.98
15	4.34	1.11
16	5.47	.99
17	6.34	.90
18	7.14	.92
19	8.14	1.12
20	9.51E	1.89

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Form 3

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-5.83E	1.81
1	-4.65	.99
2	-3.95	.73
3	-3.50	.62
4	-3.14	.58
5	-2.82	.56
6	-2.50	.57
7	-2.15	.61
8	-1.74	.69
9	-1.16	.84
10	-.26	1.03
11	.78	.97
12	1.62	.88
13	2.38	.88
14	3.22	.97
15	4.30	1.08
16	5.38	.98
17	6.24	.89
18	7.03	.91
19	8.01	1.12
20	9.38E	1.89

Form 5

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.59E	1.84
1	-5.34	1.04
2	-4.57	.77
3	-4.06	.66
4	-3.66	.62
5	-3.29	.60
6	-2.91	.62
7	-2.51	.66
8	-2.03	.74
9	-1.36	.91
10	-.31	1.11
11	.83	.99
12	1.69	.88
13	2.46	.88
14	3.30	.98
15	4.41	1.10
16	5.52	.98
17	6.39	.89
18	7.19	.91
19	8.18	1.12
20	9.56E	1.89

Form 4

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.76E	1.87
1	-6.45	1.08
2	-5.58	.83
3	-4.98	.74
4	-4.47	.70
5	-4.00	.69
6	-3.52	.70
7	-3.01	.73
8	-2.42	.81
9	-1.65	.96
10	-.52	1.14
11	.65	1.00
12	1.52	.89
13	2.30	.88
14	3.15	.98
15	4.23	1.09
16	5.33	.98
17	6.19	.90
18	6.99	.92
19	7.99	1.13
20	9.37E	1.89

Form 6

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.92E	1.86
1	-6.62	1.07
2	-5.76	.82
3	-5.18	.72
4	-4.69	.68
5	-4.24	.67
6	-3.79	.68
7	-3.30	.72
8	-2.74	.79
9	-2.02	.92
10	-1.01	1.05
11	.03	.96
12	.84	.86
13	1.57	.85
14	2.33	.91
15	3.22	.97
16	4.12	.91
17	4.90	.86
18	5.66	.90
19	6.62	1.11
20	7.99E	1.88

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Form 7

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.54E	1.83
1	-5.32	1.01
2	-4.59	.74
3	-4.12	.64
4	-3.75	.59
5	-3.41	.58
6	-3.07	.59
7	-2.70	.63
8	-2.26	.71
9	-1.65	.87
10	-.70	1.06
11	.37	.97
12	1.21	.87
13	1.96	.87
14	2.79	.96
15	3.85	1.07
16	4.92	.97
17	5.76	.88
18	6.55	.91
19	7.52	1.12
20	8.89E	1.88

Form 9

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-5.55E	1.79
1	-4.41	.97
2	-3.75	.70
3	-3.34	.60
4	-3.01	.56
5	-2.71	.54
6	-2.42	.55
7	-2.10	.58
8	-1.74	.64
9	-1.26	.75
10	-.59	.88
11	.21	.89
12	.95	.84
13	1.65	.84
14	2.41	.90
15	3.29	.96
16	4.17	.91
17	4.95	.86
18	5.71	.90
19	6.67	1.11
20	8.03E	1.88

Form 8

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.25E	1.85
1	-5.98	1.04
2	-5.20	.78
3	-4.68	.67
4	-4.26	.63
5	-3.88	.61
6	-3.50	.62
7	-3.09	.66
8	-2.61	.74
9	-1.96	.87
10	-1.05	1.01
11	-.07	.95
12	.74	.87
13	1.48	.86
14	2.27	.93
15	3.22	1.00
16	4.17	.93
17	4.97	.87
18	5.74	.90
19	6.70	1.11
20	8.07E	1.88

Form 10

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.53E	1.86
1	-6.25	1.06
2	-5.42	.80
3	-4.87	.70
4	-4.42	.65
5	-4.00	.64
6	-3.58	.65
7	-3.13	.69
8	-2.60	.77
9	-1.92	.90
10	-.96	1.03
11	.05	.95
12	.86	.87
13	1.60	.86
14	2.39	.94
15	3.36	1.01
16	4.33	.94
17	5.14	.87
18	5.91	.90
19	6.88	1.12
20	8.24E	1.88

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Form 11

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.54E	1.86
1	-6.25	1.06
2	-5.43	.80
3	-4.88	.70
4	-4.43	.65
5	-4.01	.64
6	-3.60	.66
7	-3.14	.70
8	-2.60	.78
9	-1.86	.95
10	-.71	1.16
11	.51	1.01
12	1.40	.89
13	2.18	.89
14	3.03	.98
15	4.13	1.09
16	5.24	.98
17	6.10	.89
18	6.89	.91
19	7.88	1.12
20	9.25E	1.89

Form 13

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.39E	1.86
1	-6.10	1.06
2	-5.26	.80
3	-4.71	.70
4	-4.25	.66
5	-3.82	.65
6	-3.39	.66
7	-2.93	.70
8	-2.38	.79
9	-1.65	.95
10	-.53	1.14
11	.65	1.01
12	1.54	.90
13	2.33	.89
14	3.21	1.00
15	4.39	1.14
16	5.57	1.01
17	6.46	.90
18	7.28	.92
19	8.28	1.13
20	9.66E	1.89

Form 12

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.91E	1.84
1	-5.65	1.04
2	-4.87	.77
3	-4.37	.67
4	-3.95	.62
5	-3.58	.61
6	-3.20	.62
7	-2.79	.66
8	-2.30	.75
9	-1.61	.92
10	-.52	1.14
11	.68	1.01
12	1.57	.90
13	2.36	.89
14	3.23	1.00
15	4.40	1.14
16	5.58	1.00
17	6.46	.90
18	7.27	.92
19	8.27	1.13
20	9.65E	1.89

Form 14

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-6.44E	1.84
1	-5.20	1.03
2	-4.44	.76
3	-3.94	.66
4	-3.55	.61
5	-3.19	.60
6	-2.83	.61
7	-2.44	.65
8	-1.97	.73
9	-1.33	.89
10	-.33	1.08
11	.77	.98
12	1.63	.89
13	2.40	.89
14	3.26	.99
15	4.39	1.11
16	5.53	.99
17	6.40	.90
18	7.21	.92
19	8.20	1.12
20	9.57E	1.89

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Form 15

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.35E	1.86
1	-6.05	1.07
2	-5.21	.81
3	-4.63	.72
4	-4.15	.67
5	-3.71	.66
6	-3.27	.67
7	-2.79	.71
8	-2.24	.78
9	-1.52	.93
10	-.47	1.09
11	.64	.98
12	1.49	.88
13	2.26	.88
14	3.11	.98
15	4.24	1.11
16	5.37	.99
17	6.25	.90
18	7.06	.92
19	8.05	1.13
20	9.43E	1.89

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Table 16
Grade 9 Matrix Prompt Raw Score to Logit Conversion Tables

Form 1

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.22E	1.85
1	-5.96	1.04
2	-5.17	.77
3	-4.66	.67
4	-4.24	.63
5	-3.86	.61
6	-3.47	.63
7	-3.06	.67
8	-2.55	.76
9	-1.84	.95
10	-.61	1.23
11	.71	1.03
12	1.61	.90
13	2.40	.90
14	3.33	1.06
15	4.95	1.45
16	6.59	1.07
17	7.54	.91
18	8.36	.92
19	9.36	1.13
20	10.74E	1.89

Form 2

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.79E	1.85
1	-6.52	1.05
2	-5.73	.78
3	-5.21	.68
4	-4.79	.63
5	-4.40	.62
6	-4.01	.63
7	-3.59	.68
8	-3.07	.77
9	-2.35	.95
10	-1.17	1.19
11	.10	1.02
12	1.00	.90
13	1.80	.91
14	2.75	1.08
15	4.56	1.59
16	6.39	1.09
17	7.36	.92
18	8.20	.93
19	9.21	1.13
20	10.59E	1.89

Form 3

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.82E	1.86
1	-6.54	1.06
2	-5.73	.79
3	-5.18	.69
4	-4.74	.65
5	-4.33	.64
6	-3.92	.65
7	-3.48	.69
8	-2.94	.78
9	-2.19	.97
10	-.91	1.26
11	.46	1.04
12	1.37	.90
13	2.17	.91
14	3.13	1.08
15	4.94	1.59
16	6.76	1.09
17	7.73	.92
18	8.56	.93
19	9.57	1.13
20	10.95E	1.89

Form 4

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.75E	1.86
1	-7.45	1.07
2	-6.60	.81
3	-6.03	.71
4	-5.56	.67
5	-5.11	.66
6	-4.67	.68
7	-4.18	.72
8	-3.60	.81
9	-2.81	.98
10	-1.60	1.19
11	-.33	1.03
12	.60	.91
13	1.42	.92
14	2.40	1.10
15	4.29	1.65
16	6.18	1.10
17	7.17	.93
18	8.01	.93
19	9.03	1.14
20	10.43E	1.89

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Form 5

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.30E	1.86
1	-7.00	1.06
2	-6.17	.80
3	-5.61	.70
4	-5.15	.66
5	-4.72	.65
6	-4.28	.67
7	-3.81	.71
8	-3.24	.80
9	-2.46	.98
10	-1.19	1.24
11	.16	1.04
12	1.10	.92
13	1.92	.92
14	2.89	1.09
15	4.77	1.64
16	6.64	1.10
17	7.62	.92
18	8.45	.93
19	9.46	1.13
20	10.85E	1.89

Form 7

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.19E	1.86
1	-6.90	1.06
2	-6.08	.79
3	-5.54	.69
4	-5.09	.65
5	-4.68	.64
6	-4.27	.65
7	-3.81	.70
8	-3.27	.78
9	-2.53	.95
10	-1.43	1.13
11	-.26	1.00
12	.62	.90
13	1.42	.91
14	2.37	1.08
15	4.04	1.48
16	5.70	1.08
17	6.66	.91
18	7.48	.92
19	8.47	1.13
20	9.85E	1.89

Form 6

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.62E	1.84
1	-6.37	1.03
2	-5.60	.77
3	-5.10	.66
4	-4.69	.62
5	-4.33	.60
6	-3.95	.62
7	-3.55	.66
8	-3.06	.75
9	-2.37	.93
10	-1.24	1.16
11	-.01	1.01
12	.88	.90
13	1.68	.91
14	2.64	1.09
15	4.43	1.57
16	6.22	1.08
17	7.17	.91
18	7.98	.91
19	8.97	1.12
20	10.34E	1.88

Form 8

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.77E	1.84
1	-6.51	1.04
2	-5.74	.77
3	-5.23	.67
4	-4.82	.62
5	-4.44	.61
6	-4.07	.62
7	-3.66	.66
8	-3.16	.75
9	-2.46	.94
10	-1.31	1.18
11	-.07	1.01
12	.82	.89
13	1.61	.90
14	2.55	1.08
15	4.27	1.53
16	6.00	1.08
17	6.96	.91
18	7.77	.92
19	8.76	1.12
20	10.13E	1.89

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Form 9

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.61E	1.84
1	-6.37	1.03
2	-5.61	.76
3	-5.11	.66
4	-4.71	.61
5	-4.35	.60
6	-3.98	.61
7	-3.58	.66
8	-3.09	.75
9	-2.40	.93
10	-1.24	1.18
11	.01	1.02
12	.90	.89
13	1.69	.90
14	2.62	1.06
15	4.21	1.43
16	5.80	1.07
17	6.75	.91
18	7.56	.92
19	8.55	1.12
20	9.92E	1.89

Form 11

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.77E	1.85
1	-6.50	1.05
2	-5.70	.78
3	-5.17	.68
4	-4.74	.64
5	-4.34	.62
6	-3.95	.64
7	-3.51	.68
8	-2.99	.78
9	-2.23	.98
10	-.90	1.30
11	.52	1.05
12	1.45	.90
13	2.25	.91
14	3.20	1.08
15	4.99	1.57
16	6.78	1.08
17	7.74	.91
18	8.56	.92
19	9.55	1.13
20	10.93E	1.89

Form 10

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.04E	1.81
1	-5.86	.99
2	-5.16	.72
3	-4.72	.62
4	-4.37	.57
5	-4.05	.56
6	-3.73	.57
7	-3.38	.61
8	-2.96	.70
9	-2.37	.86
10	-1.40	1.08
11	-.28	.99
12	.58	.89
13	1.37	.90
14	2.32	1.08
15	4.03	1.51
16	5.75	1.08
17	6.70	.91
18	7.52	.92
19	8.51	1.12
20	9.88E	1.89

Form 12

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-7.79E	1.84
1	-6.54	1.03
2	-5.78	.76
3	-5.28	.66
4	-4.88	.61
5	-4.52	.60
6	-4.15	.61
7	-3.75	.66
8	-3.26	.75
9	-2.55	.95
10	-1.31	1.24
11	.03	1.03
12	.94	.90
13	1.73	.91
14	2.68	1.08
15	4.45	1.56
16	6.23	1.09
17	7.20	.92
18	8.02	.92
19	9.03	1.13
20	10.41E	1.89

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Form 13

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.38E	1.86
1	-7.08	1.07
2	-6.24	.81
3	-5.68	.71
4	-5.21	.67
5	-4.77	.66
6	-4.33	.67
7	-3.85	.72
8	-3.27	.81
9	-2.46	1.01
10	-1.01	1.36
11	.51	1.06
12	1.44	.91
13	2.25	.91
14	3.20	1.08
15	4.93	1.53
16	6.67	1.09
17	7.64	.92
18	8.47	.92
19	9.48	1.13
20	10.86E	1.89

Form 15

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.07E	1.84
1	-6.83	1.03
2	-6.07	.76
3	-5.58	.66
4	-5.18	.61
5	-4.82	.60
6	-4.45	.61
7	-4.05	.66
8	-3.56	.76
9	-2.83	.97
10	-1.46	1.34
11	.03	1.05
12	.96	.91
13	1.76	.91
14	2.73	1.09
15	4.68	1.71
16	6.64	1.10
17	7.62	.92
18	8.46	.93
19	9.47	1.13
20	10.86E	1.89

Form 14

SCORE	MEASURE	S.E.
0	-8.47E	1.86
1	-7.17	1.07
2	-6.34	.81
3	-5.77	.71
4	-5.30	.67
5	-4.86	.66
6	-4.42	.67
7	-3.94	.72
8	-3.37	.81
9	-2.58	.99
10	-1.27	1.26
11	.10	1.04
12	1.02	.91
13	1.83	.91
14	2.79	1.09
15	4.64	1.62
16	6.49	1.09
17	7.47	.92
18	8.30	.92
19	9.30	1.13
20	10.68E	1.89

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Student-level Reporting

Raw score reporting were in the original metric: (1, 2, 3, 4) for domains and (5, 6,..., 40) for prompts.

The reported standard errors are in the “points received” metric and were computed by extending standard results for dichotomously scored items. The squared standard error for a prompt will be $SE^2 = (4 - 1) * P * (1 - P)$ where P is the mean score for that prompt minus one multiplied by (4 – 1). This formula is nothing more than the familiar npq , assuming a prompt score is three trials of a binomial process coded 1 to 4 rather than 0 to 3. The *minus ones* come about because one is the lowest score possible for a scorable prompt. Most of the standard errors for prompts will be between 0.75 and 0.87, so the standard error for total scores will be 1.5 to 2.

If a prompt is unscorable for a student and no reason was given, the student’s scores will include zeros for that prompt. If a valid reason is given for not being tested, the student will be reported as though only one prompt was given.

Table 17 shows some basic statistics for the norming groups. Student-level distributions will not, in general, have the same mean as the school level, and the standard deviations will be much larger.

Table 17
Grade 6 and 9 Student-level Statistics for Norming Group

Grade	Count	Mean	Median	S.D.
6	140,152	1290.4	1285.0	188.1
9	141,863	1333.6	1334.0	238.4

Table 18 provides more detail about the student-level distributions. This table gives the raw to scale score conversions, as well as the percent and cumulative percent of students from the norming group at each score point. Both distributions are quite peaked at a raw score of 30. Grade 9 in particular shows local peaks at the five multiples, which would typically occur when a paper receives the same score in every domain. Both distributions are negatively skewed. These observations are completely consistent with the distribution of domain level scores.

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Table 18

Grade 6 and 9 Raw Score to Scale Score Conversion And Percentile Rank

Raw Score	Grade 6			Grade 9			Raw Score
	Scale Score	Percent	Cumulative Percent	Scale Score	Percent	Cumulative Percent	
0	700	0.4	0.4	700	1.3	1.3	0
5	770	0.3	0.7	772	0.7	2.1	5
6	791	0.1	0.8	791	0.1	2.2	6
7	812	0.1	0.8	809	0.1	2.3	7
8	831	0.1	0.9	826	0.2	2.6	8
9	852	0.0	0.9	841	0.2	2.7	9
10	872	1.2	2.2	857	1.2	4	10
11	893	0.7	2.9	873	0.4	4.4	11
12	913	0.7	3.6	889	0.3	4.8	12
13	933	0.7	4.3	906	0.6	5.4	13
14	954	0.7	5.0	924	0.6	6	14
15	976	1.7	6.8	944	1.4	7.5	15
16	999	1.5	8.3	967	1	8.5	16
17	1024	1.8	10.1	993	1	9.6	17
18	1053	1.9	12.1	1025	2	11.7	18
19	1088	2.2	14.3	1065	1.9	13.7	19
20	1128	7.6	22.1	1115	6.6	20.6	20
21	1169	5.1	27.3	1165	3.5	24.4	21
22	1204	5.3	32.7	1208	4.1	28.7	22
23	1234	5.4	38.3	1243	4.7	33.7	23
24	1260	5.4	43.8	1274	5	39	24
25	1285	6.8	50.7	1304	7	46.4	25
26	1310	5.5	56.3	1334	5.2	51.8	26
27	1335	5.7	62.1	1365	6.1	58.3	27
28	1363	5.7	67.9	1403	7	65.7	28
29	1395	5.6	73.7	1453	7.7	73.8	29
30	1430	8.2	81.9	1523	10.8	85.3	30
31	1465	3.8	85.8	1594	3	88.4	31
32	1497	2.7	88.6	1643	2.6	91.2	32
33	1525	2.2	90.9	1681	1.9	93.2	33
34	1551	2.0	92.9	1712	1.7	95	34
35	1577	2.7	95.7	1742	2.2	97.3	35
36	1602	1.1	96.8	1772	0.7	98.1	36
37	1631	0.8	97.6	1805	0.6	98.7	37
38	1666	0.7	98.3	1845	0.4	99.1	38
39	1718	0.6	99.0	1905	0.4	99.5	39
40	1801	1.0	100.0	1999	0.5	100	40

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Table 19 provides a summary of the performance standards in both raw score and scale score metrics. The scale score standards are fixed values and will not change unless the standard setting is revisited in the future. The raw score standards will change from year to year as the difficulty of the prompts vary. The table also shows the impacts of the standards in the form of the percent of the students who were classified in each group.

Table 19
Grade 6 and 9 Performance Standards

Grade 6	2002 Raw Score Cut Point	Scale Score	Percent in Category
Advanced	33	1521 and above	11.4
Proficient	25	1280 -- 1520	44.8
Basic	20	1116 -- 1279	29.5
Below Basic		1115 and below	14.3
Grade 9			
Advanced	31	1582 and above	14.7
Proficient	25	1284 -- 1581	46.3
Basic	21	1135 -- 1283	18.4
Below Basic		1134 and below	20.6

Indicators of Consistency

Criterion-referenced tests are often used to place the examinees into two or more performance classifications. It is then useful to have some indication of how consistent such classifications are. Livingston (1972) argued that a measure of consistency should be a function of the reliability of the test and the distance between the performance standard and the mean of the distribution. Livingston's coefficient, which was formulated from the perspective of True Score Theory, is defined by:

$$1. \kappa^2(X,T) = [\sigma_T^2 + (\mu_T - C)^2] / [\sigma_X^2 + (\mu_X - C)^2]$$

If the expressions in parenthesis ($\mu - C$) are zero, equation 1 is the ratio of the true score variance to the observed score variance, which is a standard definition of reliability. The numerator is increased by adding the squared difference between the true score mean and the cut score. The denominator is increased by the difference between the observed score mean and the cut score.

The coefficient is normally computed, from data, by setting the true score mean equal to the observed score mean and multiplying the observed score variance by an estimate of the test reliability coefficient to obtain a value for the true score variance.

$$2. \kappa^2(X,T) = [r \sigma_X^2 + (\mu_X - C)^2] / [\sigma_X^2 + (\mu_X - C)^2]$$

If $(\mu_X - C)$ is zero, expression 2 will return the value of the reliability; if it is non-zero, the value will be larger than the reliability.

Livingston, S.A. 1972. Criterion Referenced Applications of Classical Test Theory. *Journal of Educational Measurement* 9: 13-26.

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For the 2002 PSSA, values for the Livingston Coefficient of Consistency are given in Table 20 below for each performance standard. To illustrate the calculation, the following raw score data was used to calculate the Grade Six Basic Coefficient of Consistency.

$$\kappa^2(X,T) = [(.94)(37.21) + (25 - 20)^2] / [37.21 + (25 - 20)^2] = 0.96.$$

Table 20
Livingston Coefficient of Consistency at Each Performance Standard

Grade	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
6	.96	.94	.98
9	.96	.94	.97

School-level Results

Each school is treated as one observation with no reference to the number of students.

Table 21
School-level Distributions

Grade 6 Group	Schools	Enrollment		Scale Score	
		Mean	S.D.	Mean	S.D.
Norming	1064	134.0	101.8	1288.3	96.3
Non-Norm	176	28.0	27.1	1183.4	184.2
Home	36	1.1	.3	1241.9	103.3
Total	1240	118.7	101.8	1273.4	118.7
Grade 9					
Norming	619	240.9	176.4	1328.2	108.4
Non-Norm	130	47.2	54.4	1121.9	202.2
Home	47	1.4	0.7	1191.1	140.8
Total	749	206.5	177.8	1292.4	151.3

Table 21 above summarizes the school-level results by norming and non-norming groups. The non-norming schools tend to be smaller and lower achieving. There is considerable variation in their performance, as shown by the large standard deviations for the scale scores.

Similar Schools

To provide an additional frame of reference for evaluating a school's performance, each school is compared to a set of *Similar Schools*. The intent is to provide a comparison with other schools that have similar student populations and so have similar educational challenges. The two variables that have been shown to be important in these comparisons are community type and socioeconomic status. For the PSSA, community type is defined as rural, urban and suburban. SES is measured by the percent low income as reported to the State.

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The similar school set is defined for each school as the 10 schools immediately above and the 10 schools immediately below the school in question when the schools have been sorted by percent low income within community type groupings. The school report includes a listing of the 20 schools in the set for that school.

Two statistics are reported and both are intervals. The **Similar School Range** is the difference between the highest and lowest scale scores in the group. The **Similar School Band** is the interquartile distance. In other words, it is the difference between the 5th highest scale score and the 15th highest scale score.

Table 22 summarizes the relationships between percent low income and school-level scale scores within normed community type groupings. There is a negative correlation between percent low income and school-level scale scores.

Table 22
School-level Scores by Community Type

Community Type	Scale Score		% Low Income		Count of Schools		Correlation	
	6	9	6	9	6	9	6	9
Suburban	1346.1	1404.6	16.4	11.0	266	153	-.59	-.55
Rural	1297.6	1328.0	31.0	23.2	508	332	-.31	-.26
Urban	1219.0	1246.0	64.3	48.5	290	122	-.47	-.62
Total	1288.3	1328.2	36.4	25.3	1064	619	-.61	-.61

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Appendix A Grade 6 Common Prompt Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFINIT MNSQ	INFINIT ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	374043	142928	-.05A	.01	.93	-9.9	.90	-9.9	.81	-.01	P2D1C	0
2	358661	142928	.24A	.01	.93	-9.9	.90	-9.9	.81	.00	P2D2C	0
3	353797	142928	.43A	.01	.90	-9.9	.87	-9.9	.82	.00	P2D3C	0
4	359662	142928	.26A	.01	.89	-9.9	.85	-9.9	.83	.02	P2D4C	0
5	377258	142928	-.07A	.01	1.02	5.4	1.02	4.1	.81	-.01	P2D5C	0
6	362161	142542	.32A	.01	.91	-9.9	.87	-9.9	.82	.02	P3D1C	0
7	341016	142542	.73A	.01	.88	-9.9	.85	-9.9	.83	.01	P3D2C	0
8	342737	142542	.80A	.01	.83	-9.9	.80	-9.9	.84	-.01	P3D3C	0
9	349021	142542	.63A	.01	.83	-9.9	.80	-9.9	.84	.01	P3D4C	0
10	364543	142542	.32A	.01	.96	-9.9	.95	-9.9	.82	-.04	P3D5C	0
MEAN	358290	142735	.36	.01	.91	-8.4	.88	-8.5				
S.D.	11447	188	.28	.00	.05	4.6	.06	4.2				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P2D1C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	716	1	-4.32	-5.31	1.01	1.06	NONE A	(-6.66)	0 Unscorable
1	1	5586	4	-2.88	-2.74	.94	.91	-5.42A	-4.48	1 Minimal
2	2	53861	38	.58	.61	.95	.94	-3.43A	-.75	2 Limited
3	3	70325	49	3.67	3.64	.98	.94	2.01A	4.38	3 Adequate
4	4	12440	9	6.69	6.72	.84	.80	6.84A	(7.89)	4 Superior
MISSING		231	0	.58						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.66)	-INF	-5.74		0%	0%	-18.7%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.47	.04	-4.48	-5.74	-3.22	-5.58	59%	52%	.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.48	.02	-.75	-3.22	1.95	-3.37	76%	71%	-.7%	2 Limited
3	1.96	.01	4.38	1.95	6.81	1.96	74%	83%	1.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.79	.01	(7.89)	6.81	+INF	6.80	70%	48%	-4.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P2D2C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .24 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	716	1	-4.33	-5.34	.95	.97	NONE A	(-6.80)	0 Unscorable
1	1	7840	5	-2.74	-2.50	.85	.80	-5.89A	-4.29	1 Minimal
2	2	63719	45	1.02	1.02	.95	.94	-3.17A	-.14	2 Limited
3	3	59229	41	3.96	3.93	.99	.94	2.41A	4.77	3 Adequate
4	4	11424	8	6.71	6.81	.88	.86	6.65A	(8.00)	4 Superior
MISSING		231	0	.57						

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.80)	-INF -5.81	0% 0%	-19.8%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.65	.04	-4.29	-5.81 -2.79	67% 51%	.1%	1 Minimal
2	-2.93	.01	-.14	-2.79 2.62	75% 79%	-.1%	2 Limited
3	2.65	.01	4.77	2.62 6.93	71% 73%	1.3%	3 Adequate
4	6.89	.01	(8.00)	6.93 +INF	67% 50%	-4.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P2D3C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .43 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	716	1	-4.33	-5.27	.92	.92	NONE A	(-6.91)	0 Unscorable
1	1	9952	7	-2.54	-2.33	.85	.80	-6.21A	-4.14	1 Minimal
2	2	61411	43	1.08	1.09	.92	.90	-2.92A	.06	2 Limited
3	3	62373	44	4.08	4.03	.96	.91	2.17A	5.00	3 Adequate
4	4	8476	6	6.95	7.01	.85	.81	6.96A	(8.50)	4 Superior
MISSING		231	0	.56						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.91)	-INF -5.88	0% 0%	-19.3%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.78	.04	-4.14	-5.88 -2.41	73% 52%	.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.49	.01	.06	-2.41 2.59	74% 80%	.3%	2 Limited
3	2.60	.01	5.00	2.59 7.41	74% 77%	.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.39	.01	(8.50)	7.41 +INF	60% 33%	-4.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P2D4C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .26 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	716	1	-4.33	-5.25	.92	.92	NONE A	(-6.90)	0 Unscorable
1	1	9849	7	-2.63	-2.35	.78	.73	-6.03A	-4.13	1 Minimal
2	2	58880	41	1.01	1.01	.90	.89	-2.74A	-.02	2 Limited
3	3	61879	43	3.95	3.87	.93	.88	2.18A	4.65	3 Adequate
4	4	11604	8	6.65	6.87	.89	.87	6.59A	(7.96)	4 Superior
MISSING		231	0	.57						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.90)	-INF	-5.87		0%	0%	-19.7%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.77	.04	-4.13	-5.87	-2.40	-5.81	74%	53%	-.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.48	.01	-.02	-2.40	2.43	-2.45	77%	73%	1.1%	2 Limited
3	2.44	.01	4.65	2.43	6.88	2.44	71%	81%	.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.85	.01	(7.96)	6.88	+INF	6.86	66%	49%	-5.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P2D5C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.07 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	716	1	-4.32	-5.09	.93	.93	NONE A	(-6.89)	0 Unscorable
1	1	8966	6	-2.56	-2.50	.91	.89	-5.69A	-4.17	1 Minimal
2	2	48622	34	.73	.69	1.02	1.03	-2.50A	-.38	2 Limited
3	3	67448	47	3.53	3.51	1.07	1.07	1.88A	4.02	3 Adequate
4	4	17176	12	6.14	6.32	1.06	1.04	6.30A	(7.34)	4 Superior
MISSING	231	0		.58						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.89)	-INF	-5.87		0%	0%	-18.1%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.76	.04	-4.17	-5.87	-2.50	-5.80	67%	53%	-3.1%	1 Minimal
2	-2.57	.01	-.38	-2.50	1.81	-2.54	69%	69%	1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.81	.01	4.02	1.81	6.26	1.81	70%	79%	.3%	3 Adequate
4	6.23	.01	(7.34)	6.26	+INF	6.24	68%	46%	-1.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 6 P3D1C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .32 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1024	1	-4.32	-5.37	.89	.89	NONE A	(-6.32)	0 Unscorable
1	1	8043	6	-2.58	-2.33	.90	.83	-5.47A	-4.01	1 Minimal
2	2	56382	39	.85	.86	.95	.93	-3.18A	-.31	2 Limited
3	3	67018	47	3.86	3.81	.95	.90	1.91A	4.65	3 Adequate
4	4	10075	7	6.87	7.11	.82	.78	6.74A	(8.16)	4 Superior
MISSING	617	0		.60						

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.32)	-INF	-5.37	57% 27%	-21.9%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.15	.03	-4.01	-5.37	-2.66	-5.24 60% 48%	4.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.86	.01	-.31	-2.66	2.22	-2.78 73% 73%	.2%	2 Limited
3	2.23	.01	4.65	2.22	7.08	2.23 74% 82%	1.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.06	.01	(8.16)	7.08	+INF	7.07 77% 36%	-8.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 7 P3D2C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .73 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1024	1	-4.33	-5.41	.83	.82	NONE A	(-6.47)	0 Unscorable
1	1	11792	8	-2.32	-2.02	.80	.73	-6.07A	-3.75	1 Minimal
2	2	68396	48	1.39	1.39	.91	.90	-2.88A	.50	2 Limited
3	3	52888	37	4.30	4.20	.94	.89	2.42A	5.21	3 Adequate
4	4	8442	6	6.96	7.30	.85	.84	6.54A	(8.38)	4 Superior
MISSING		617	0	.59						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.47)	-INF	-5.45	57% 27%	-22.5%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.34	.03	-3.75	-5.45	-2.06	-5.38 72% 55%	2.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.15	.01	.50	-2.06	3.12	-2.12 77% 81%	-.1%	2 Limited
3	3.15	.01	5.21	3.12	7.32	3.14 71% 75%	1.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.27	.01	(8.38)	7.32	+INF	7.29 69% 38%	-8.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 8 P3D3C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .80 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1024	1	-4.33	-5.40	.82	.81	NONE A	(-6.50)	0 Unscorable
1	1	12592	9	-2.35	-2.01	.71	.65	-6.18A	-3.67	1 Minimal
2	2	63275	44	1.31	1.34	.86	.85	-2.76A	.47	2 Limited
3	3	59009	41	4.28	4.16	.90	.86	2.09A	5.27	3 Adequate
4	4	6642	5	7.14	7.51	.82	.80	6.85A	(8.76)	4 Superior
MISSING		617	0	.59						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.50)	-INF	-5.47	57% 27%	-22.5%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.38	.03	-3.67	-5.47	-1.90	-5.41 73% 65%	-.4%	1 Minimal
2	-1.96	.01	.47	-1.90	2.89	-1.94 75% 82%	.2%	2 Limited
3	2.89	.01	5.27	2.89	7.67	2.89 77% 75%	1.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.65	.01	(8.76)	7.67	+INF	7.66 67% 31%	-10.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 9 P3D4C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .63 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1024	1	-4.33	-5.38	.83	.81	NONE A	(-6.48)	0 Unscorable
1	1	12151	8	-2.40	-2.06	.69	.63	-5.99A	-3.69	1 Minimal
2	2	60185	42	1.21	1.23	.85	.84	-2.64A	.34	2 Limited
3	3	60228	42	4.14	4.01	.90	.86	2.05A	4.94	3 Adequate
4	4	8954	6	6.87	7.27	.87	.85	6.57A	(8.31)	4 Superior
MISSING		617	0	.59						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.48)	-INF	-5.45	57% 27%	-22.8%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.36	.03	-3.69	-5.45	-1.94	-5.39 73% 67%	-.7%	1 Minimal
2	-2.01	.01	.34	-1.94	2.68	-1.99 76% 78%	.7%	2 Limited
3	2.68	.01	4.94	2.68	7.23	2.68 74% 79%	1.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.20	.01	(8.31)	7.23	+INF	7.21 69% 36%	-9.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 10 P3D5C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .32 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1024	1	-4.32	-5.27	.84	.83	NONE A	(-6.45)	0 Unscorable
1	1	10643	7	-2.42	-2.24	.79	.74	-5.64A	-3.76	1 Minimal
2	2	52069	36	.97	.99	.96	.96	-2.52A	.01	2 Limited
3	3	65462	46	3.76	3.63	1.06	1.05	1.90A	4.40	3 Adequate
4	4	13344	9	6.35	6.81	1.03	1.01	6.26A	(7.69)	4 Superior
MISSING		617	0	.60						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.45)	-INF	-5.43	57% 27%	-22.1%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.32	.03	-3.76	-5.43	-2.12	-5.36 69% 59%	-2.7%	1 Minimal
2	-2.20	.01	.01	-2.12	2.22	-2.17 70% 72%	-1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.22	.01	4.40	2.22	6.62	2.22 72% 74%	3.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.58	.01	(7.69)	6.62	+INF	6.59 58% 50%	-6.8%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	373245	145498	.28A	.01	1.20	9.9	1.21	9.9	.78	-.01	P2D1C	0
2	375485	145498	.26A	.01	1.00	.4	.94	-9.9	.82	.00	P2D2C	0
3	380799	145498	.24A	.01	.96	-9.4	.88	-9.9	.82	.00	P2D3C	0
4	379199	145498	.19A	.01	.94	-9.9	.86	-9.9	.83	.00	P2D4C	0
5	377292	145498	.23A	.01	1.02	5.5	.97	-5.8	.82	.00	P2D5C	0
6	367545	144644	.60A	.01	1.02	4.0	.96	-8.8	.82	.00	P3D1C	0
7	354018	144644	.86A	.01	.95	-9.9	.90	-9.9	.84	.00	P3D2C	0
8	351391	144644	1.07A	.01	.89	-9.9	.83	-9.9	.84	.00	P3D3C	0
9	359607	144644	.82A	.01	.88	-9.9	.82	-9.9	.85	.00	P3D4C	0
10	356212	144644	.88A	.01	.98	-4.6	.95	-9.9	.84	.00	P3D5C	0
MEAN	367479.145071.		.55	.01	.99	-3.4	.93	-7.4				
S.D.	10664.	427.	.32	.00	.08	7.3	.10	5.9				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P2D1C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1544	1	-4.34	-4.47	1.04	.94	NONE A	(-6.22)	0 Unscorable
1	1	4056	3	-3.35	-3.21	.93	.83	-5.13A	-4.54	1 Minimal
2	2	58713	40	.74	.47	1.29	1.40	-4.51A	-1.04	2 Limited
3	3	72977	50	3.83	4.05	1.28	1.27	1.81A	5.11	3 Adequate
4	4	8208	6	7.57	7.51	.99	.89	7.83A	(9.22)	4 Superior
MISSING		591	0	.53						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.22)	-INF -5.47	0% 0%	-1.9%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.85	.03	-4.54	-5.47 -3.61	39% 48%	-1.1%	1 Minimal
2	-4.23	.02	-1.04	-3.61 2.09	67% 72%	-.3%	2 Limited
3	2.10	.01	5.11	2.09 8.12	72% 74%	.3%	3 Adequate
4	8.11	.01	(9.22)	8.12 +INF	68% 26%	.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P2D2C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .26 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1544	1	-4.33	-4.36	1.00	.90	NONE A	(-6.33)	0 Unscorable
1	1	5425	4	-3.21	-3.08	.93	.87	-5.33A	-4.43	1 Minimal
2	2	54032	37	.48	.43	.99	.98	-4.05A	-.94	2 Limited
3	3	75992	52	3.94	3.96	1.04	.97	1.61A	4.96	3 Adequate
4	4	8505	6	7.56	7.54	.98	.87	7.78A	(9.15)	4 Superior
MISSING		591	0	.53						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-6.33)	-INF -5.50		0% 0%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.07	.03	-4.43	-5.50 -3.36	-5.27	45% 46%	1 Minimal
2	-3.79	.02	-.94	-3.36 1.88	-3.58	75% 71%	2 Limited
3	1.88	.01	4.96	1.88 8.05	1.88	78% 84%	3 Adequate
4	8.05	.01	(9.15)	8.05 +INF	8.05	61% 47%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P2D3C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .24 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1544	1	-4.33	-4.36	.99	.90	NONE A	(-6.34)	0 Unscorable
1	1	5591	4	-3.26	-3.07	.89	.83	-5.33A	-4.41	1 Minimal
2	2	46946	32	.23	.22	.94	.90	-3.97A	-1.13	2 Limited
3	3	84352	58	3.84	3.85	1.02	.95	1.19A	4.90	3 Adequate
4	4	7065	5	7.77	7.63	.93	.78	8.12A	(9.46)	4 Superior
MISSING	591	0		.53						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-6.34)	-INF -5.50		0% 0%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.09	.03	-4.41	-5.50 -3.33	-5.28	47% 47%	1 Minimal
2	-3.73	.02	-1.13	-3.33 1.45	-3.54	75% 70%	2 Limited
3	1.44	.01	4.90	1.45 8.37	1.44	81% 89%	3 Adequate
4	8.36	.02	(9.46)	8.37 +INF	8.37	64% 28%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P2D4C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .20 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1544	1	-4.33	-4.33	.98	.89	NONE A	(-6.36)	0 Unscorable
1	1	5826	4	-3.21	-3.04	.89	.82	-5.31A	-4.39	1 Minimal
2	2	50292	34	.31	.34	.90	.84	-3.86A	-.98	2 Limited
3	3	78555	54	3.89	3.85	.96	.88	1.47A	4.78	3 Adequate
4	4	9281	6	7.46	7.49	1.00	.90	7.70A	(9.00)	4 Superior
MISSING	591	0		.53						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-6.36)	-INF -5.50		0% 0%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.11	.03	-4.39	-5.50 -3.29	-5.29	48% 53%	1 Minimal
2	-3.66	.02	-.98	-3.29 1.67	-3.49	80% 68%	2 Limited
3	1.66	.01	4.78	1.67 7.90	1.67	78% 89%	3 Adequate
4	7.89	.01	(9.00)	7.90 +INF	7.90	63% 44%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P2D5C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .24 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	1544	1	-4.33	-4.32	.94	.86	NONE A	(-6.43)	0 Unscorable
1	1	7130	5	-2.89	-2.93	1.03	.99	-5.47A	-4.28	1 Minimal
2	2	50456	35	.47	.46	.99	.97	-3.55A	-.77	2 Limited
3	3	76222	52	3.86	3.86	1.05	.98	1.52A	4.75	3 Adequate
4	4	10146	7	7.30	7.41	1.06	.97	7.50A	(8.84)	4 Superior
MISSING		591	0	.53						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.43)	-INF -5.52	0% 0%	-1.0%	0 Unscorable
1	-5.23	.03	-4.28	-5.52 -3.05	50% 52%	-.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.32	.02	-.77	-3.05 1.77	73% 72%	.2%	2 Limited
3	1.75	.01	4.75	1.77 7.74	77% 83%	.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.74	.01	(8.84)	7.74 +INF	63% 41%	-.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 6 P3D1C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .60 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	3046	2	-4.19	-4.17	.86	.70	NONE A	(-5.50)	0 Unscorable
1	1	5833	4	-2.75	-2.72	.98	.87	-4.75A	-3.78	1 Minimal
2	2	55027	38	.72	.66	1.04	1.01	-3.99A	-.63	2 Limited
3	3	71294	49	3.95	4.00	1.08	1.02	1.49A	4.97	3 Adequate
4	4	9444	6	7.53	7.46	.94	.85	7.25A	(8.95)	4 Superior
MISSING		1445	1	.22						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.50)	-INF -4.74	58% 27%	-1.4%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.15	.02	-3.78	-4.74 -2.83	34% 34%	-.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.39	.02	-.63	-2.83 2.09	71% 78%	.0%	2 Limited
3	2.09	.01	4.97	2.09 7.85	78% 77%	.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.85	.01	(8.95)	7.85 +INF	64% 44%	-.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 7 P3D2C

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Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .86 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	3046	2	-4.19	-4.05	.80	.69	NONE A	(-5.64)	0 Unscorable
1	1	8584	6	-2.50	-2.45	.92	.86	-5.27A	-3.60	1 Minimal
2	2	62395	43	1.05	1.04	.97	.92	-3.63A	-.04	2 Limited
3	3	61832	42	4.28	4.28	1.00	.94	1.82A	5.31	3 Adequate
4	4	8787	6	7.62	7.56	.93	.87	7.08A	(9.04)	4 Superior
MISSING		1445	1	.22						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-5.64)	-INF -4.76	58% 27%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.41	.02	-3.60 -4.76	-2.44 -4.57	49% 56%	1 Minimal
2	-2.78	.01	-.04 -2.44	2.67 -2.63	76% 78%	2 Limited
3	2.68	.01	5.31 2.67	7.95 2.67	75% 76%	3 Adequate
4	7.93	.01	(9.04) 7.95	+INF 7.94	63% 47%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 8 P3D3C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF 1.07 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	3046	2	-4.20	-4.03	.78	.70	NONE A	(-5.69)	0 Unscorable
1	1	9848	7	-2.50	-2.36	.83	.77	-5.56A	-3.51	1 Minimal
2	2	59091	40	1.02	1.04	.89	.84	-3.58A	.02	2 Limited
3	3	67275	46	4.39	4.37	.95	.90	1.47A	5.64	3 Adequate
4	4	5384	4	8.02	7.81	.88	.77	7.67A	(9.84)	4 Superior
MISSING		1445	1	.21						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-5.69)	-INF -4.77	58% 27%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.49	.02	-3.51 -4.77	-2.26 -4.61	55% 55%	1 Minimal
2	-2.51	.01	.02 -2.26	2.55 -2.41	75% 81%	2 Limited
3	2.54	.01	5.64 2.55	8.74 2.54	80% 80%	3 Adequate
4	8.74	.02	(9.84) 8.74	+INF 8.74	63% 24%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 9 P3D4C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .83 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	3046	2	-4.19	-4.05	.78	.70	NONE A	(-5.66)	0 Unscorable
1	1	9500	7	-2.59	-2.39	.78	.71	-5.29A	-3.52	1 Minimal
2	2	54308	37	.87	.90	.88	.81	-3.39A	-.15	2 Limited
3	3	69669	48	4.16	4.13	.94	.89	1.41A	5.17	3 Adequate
4	4	8121	6	7.70	7.57	.91	.82	7.27A	(9.20)	4 Superior
MISSING		1445	1	.22						

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-5.66)	-INF -4.75		58% 27%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.47	.02	-3.52	-4.75 -2.30	-4.59	55% 56%	1 Minimal
2	-2.57	.01	-.15	-2.30 2.25	-2.45	75% 77%	2 Limited
3	2.23	.01	5.17	2.25 8.10	2.24	78% 83%	3 Adequate
4	8.10	.01	(9.20)	8.10 +INF	8.10	76% 29%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 10 P3D5C

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .89 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRG	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	3046	2	-4.20	-4.02	.75	.71	NONE A	(-5.73)	0 Unscorable
1	1	11693	8	-2.23	-2.22	.92	.88	-5.45A	-3.36	1 Minimal
2	2	54257	37	1.07	1.05	.98	.93	-3.04A	.11	2 Limited
3	3	66587	46	4.15	4.15	1.04	1.02	1.48A	5.14	3 Adequate
4	4	9061	6	7.41	7.48	1.05	.99	7.02A	(9.01)	4 Superior
MISSING		1445	1	.21						

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	
0	NONE		(-5.73)	-INF -4.76		58% 27%	0 Unscorable
1	-4.56	.02	-3.36	-4.76 -1.99	-4.64	58% 57%	1 Minimal
2	-2.15	.01	.11	-1.99 2.38	-2.09	73% 73%	2 Limited
3	2.37	.01	5.14	2.38 7.92	2.37	75% 80%	3 Adequate
4	7.90	.01	(9.01)	7.92 +INF	7.91	61% 44%	4 Superior

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Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 1 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY	RAW				INFIT		OUTFIT	SCORE			
NUMBER	SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD	CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain G
1	22637	8423	.14A	.02	.46	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.92	-.03	P1D1 0
2	21439	8423	.47A	.02	.47	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.92	.02	P1D2 0
3	21405	8423	.53A	.02	.40	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.93	.03	P1D3 0
4	21500	8423	.50A	.02	.40	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.93	.02	P1D4 0
5	22559	8423	.17A	.02	.62	-9.9	.61	-9.9	.89	-.04	P1D5 0
MEAN	21908.	8423.	.36	.02	.47	-9.9	.44	-9.9			
S.D.	565.	1.	.17	.00	.08	.0	.09	.0			

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .14 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY	OBSERVED	OBSVD	SAMPLE	INFIT	OUTFIT	STRUCTURE	CATEGORY		
LABEL	SCORE	COUNT	%	AVRGE	EXPECT	MNSQ	MNSQ	MEASURE	MEASURE
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.98)
1	1	277	3	-2.99	-1.66	.24	.18	-3.63A	-3.44
2	2	2766	33	-.08	.26	.57	.54	-3.52A	-.92
3	3	4692	56	3.43	3.08	.60	.53	1.25A	3.72
4	4	688	8	6.59	7.45	.42	.35	5.90A	(7.15)

0 Unscorable

1 Minimal

2 Limited

3 Adequate

4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY	STRUCTURE		SCORE-TO-MEASURE			50% CUM.	COHERENCE		OBS-EXP	
LABEL	MEASURE	S.E.	AT CAT.	----	ZONE----	PROBABILITY	M->C	C->M	RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.98)	-INF	-4.29		0%	0%	93.6	0 Unscorable
1	-3.49	.12	-3.44	-4.29	-2.62	-3.94	79%	78%	15.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.38	.07	-.92	-2.62	1.39	-2.94	89%	80%	-2.8%	2 Limited
3	1.39	.03	3.72	1.39	6.07	1.39	85%	94%	8.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.04	.04	(7.15)	6.07	+INF	6.05	88%	61%	-24.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .47 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY	OBSERVED	OBSVD	SAMPLE	INFIT	OUTFIT	STRUCTURE	CATEGORY		
LABEL	SCORE	COUNT	%	AVRGE	EXPECT	MNSQ	MNSQ	MEASURE	MEASURE
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.09)
1	1	404	5	-2.90	-1.52	.21	.11	-4.23A	-3.32
2	2	3548	42	.51	.71	.54	.53	-3.35A	-.29
3	3	3945	47	3.87	3.42	.66	.60	1.78A	4.26
4	4	526	6	6.62	8.24	.46	.44	5.79A	(7.37)

0 Unscorable

1 Minimal

2 Limited

3 Adequate

4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.09)	-INF -4.30		0% 0%	97.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.76	.11	-3.32	-4.30 -2.36	-4.03	88% 84%	10.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.88	.06	-.29	-2.36 2.22	-2.61	82% 89%	.4%	2 Limited
3	2.25	.03	4.26	2.22 6.31	2.24	86% 81%	7.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.26	.05	(7.37)	6.31 +INF	6.28	71% 64%	-31.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .53 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.13)	0 Unscorable
1	1	450	5	-2.88	-1.49	.18	.09	-4.37A	-3.27	1 Minimal
2	2	3320	39	.41	.66	.46	.43	-3.23A	-.29	2 Limited
3	3	4297	51	3.91	3.40	.58	.53	1.53A	4.33	3 Adequate
4	4	356	4	7.04	10.09	.36	.31	6.07A	(7.71)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.13)	-INF -4.31		0% 0%	98.2	0 Unscorable
1	-3.84	.11	-3.27	-4.31 -2.26	-4.07	97% 84%	9.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.70	.06	-.29	-2.26 2.05	-2.48	91% 84%	-.3%	2 Limited
3	2.06	.03	4.33	2.05 6.63	2.06	87% 91%	8.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.60	.05	(7.71)	6.63 +INF	6.61	65% 87%	-43.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .50 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.14)	0 Unscorable
1	1	460	5	-2.84	-1.49	.20	.11	-4.36A	-3.27	1 Minimal
2	2	3251	39	.36	.64	.43	.39	-3.16A	-.30	2 Limited
3	3	4310	51	3.89	3.37	.59	.54	1.51A	4.26	3 Adequate
4	4	402	5	6.81	9.46	.46	.41	6.01A	(7.62)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.14)	-INF -4.31		0% 0%	97.8	0 Unscorable
1	-3.86	.11	-3.27	-4.31 -2.24	-4.08	95% 80%	9.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.66	.06	-.30	-2.24 2.01	-2.45	89% 84%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	2.01	.03	4.26	2.01 6.54	2.01	86% 89%	8.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.51	.05	(7.62)	6.54 +INF	6.52	58% 69%	-40.0%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .17 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	390	5	-2.74	-1.57	.33	.25	-3.91A	-3.32	1 Minimal
2	2	2781	33	.18	.37	.67	.67	-3.05A	-.64	2 Limited
3	3	4401	52	3.42	3.10	.82	.82	1.35A	3.65	3 Adequate
4	4	851	10	5.95	6.79	.68	.61	5.61A	(6.89)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.07)	-INF -4.29		0% 0%	96.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.74	.11	-3.32	-4.29 -2.37	-4.02	76% 75%	12.5%	1 Minimal
2	-2.88	.06	-.64	-2.37 1.52	-2.61	73% 81%	-2.5%	2 Limited
3	1.52	.03	3.65	1.52 5.82	1.52	81% 77%	8.0%	3 Adequate
4	5.78	.04	(6.89)	5.82 +INF	5.79	63% 56%	-19.0%	4 Superior

Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 2 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFINIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
1	22097	8406	.40A	.02	.54	-9.9	.49	-9.9	.90	-.02	P1D1	0
2	21446	8406	.57A	.02	.48	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2	0
3	21127	8406	.74A	.02	.42	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.92	.02	P1D3	0
4	21283	8406	.68A	.02	.42	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D4	0
5	22253	8406	.35A	.02	.59	-9.9	.58	-9.9	.89	-.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	21641.	8406.	.55	.02	.49	-9.9	.45	-9.9				
S.D.	450.	0.	.15	.00	.07	.0	.08	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .40 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.95)	0 Unscorable
1	1	331	4	-2.69	-1.52	.37	.29	-3.94A	-3.31	1 Minimal
2	2	3007	36	.21	.43	.69	.65	-3.47A	-.64	2 Limited
3	3	4520	54	3.69	3.40	.67	.60	1.29A	4.11	3 Adequate
4	4	548	7	6.88	7.88	.46	.37	6.12A	(7.62)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE-----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.95)	-INF	-4.21		0%	0%	95.2	0 Unscorable
1	-3.54	.12	-3.31	-4.21	-2.43	-3.90	65%	78%	12.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.07	.06	-.64	-2.43	1.69	-2.72	78%	82%	-.8%	2 Limited
3	1.69	.03	4.11	1.69	6.54	1.69	86%	85%	6.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.52	.05	(7.62)	6.54	+INF	6.53	82%	57%	-26.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .57 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.99)	0 Unscorable
1	1	385	5	-2.84	-1.45	.20	.11	-4.21A	-3.26	1 Minimal
2	2	3488	41	.50	.67	.56	.53	-3.45A	-.31	2 Limited
3	3	4047	48	3.98	3.62	.65	.58	1.62A	4.40	3 Adequate
4	4	486	6	6.89	8.22	.48	.43	6.04A	(7.72)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.99)	-INF	-4.22		0%	0%	97.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.64	.11	-3.26	-4.22	-2.32	-3.94	82%	85%	11.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.88	.06	-.31	-2.32	2.17	-2.59	88%	80%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	2.19	.03	4.40	2.17	6.64	2.18	81%	90%	5.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.61	.05	(7.72)	6.64	+INF	6.62	76%	59%	-28.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .74 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.06)	0 Unscorable
1	1	478	6	-2.73	-1.38	.21	.12	-4.53A	-3.17	1 Minimal
2	2	3400	40	.51	.73	.49	.44	-3.29A	-.16	2 Limited
3	3	4263	51	4.14	3.67	.58	.53	1.44A	4.65	3 Adequate
4	4	265	3	7.26	10.93	.46	.38	6.38A	(8.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.06)	-INF	-4.23		0%	0%	99.2	0 Unscorable
1	-3.79	.11	-3.17	-4.23	-2.14	-4.00	96%	80%	9.4%	1 Minimal
2	-2.55	.06	-.16	-2.14	2.18	-2.35	91%	84%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	2.18	.03	4.65	2.18	7.14	2.18	85%	94%	6.3%	3 Adequate
4	7.12	.06	(8.22)	7.14	+INF	7.13	69%	39%	-46.4%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .68 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.05)	0 Unscorable
1	1	472	6	-2.73	-1.40	.21	.12	-4.46A	-3.18	1 Minimal
2	2	3328	40	.47	.69	.48	.43	-3.24A	-.20	2 Limited
3	3	4269	51	4.08	3.63	.58	.53	1.43A	4.53	3 Adequate
4	4	337	4	7.04	9.65	.52	.44	6.27A	(8.05)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.05)	-INF -4.23		0% 0%	99.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.78	.11	-3.18	-4.23 -2.14	-3.99	95% 79%	9.4%	1 Minimal
2	-2.56	.06	-.20	-2.14 2.11	-2.36	89% 84%	.9%	2 Limited
3	2.11	.03	4.53	2.11 6.97	2.11	85% 90%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.95	.05	(8.05)	6.97 +INF	6.96	56% 63%	-39.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .35 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.02)	0 Unscorable
1	1	418	5	-2.65	-1.47	.31	.23	-4.06A	-3.22	1 Minimal
2	2	2860	34	.29	.45	.67	.66	-3.06A	-.50	2 Limited
3	3	4397	52	3.61	3.33	.79	.78	1.29A	3.91	3 Adequate
4	4	731	9	6.31	7.09	.64	.55	5.83A	(7.29)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.02)	-INF -4.22		0% 0%	96.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.71	.11	-3.22	-4.22 -2.24	-3.96	82% 77%	11.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.71	.06	-.50	-2.24 1.65	-2.47	75% 83%	-1.3%	2 Limited
3	1.64	.03	3.91	1.65 6.21	1.64	82% 79%	6.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.18	.04	(7.29)	6.21 +INF	6.19	63% 55%	-19.3%	4 Superior

Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 3 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFINIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
1	21476	8222	.63A	.02	.52	-9.9	.48	-9.9	.90	-.01	P1D1 0
2	20816	8222	.80A	.02	.47	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2 0
3	20754	8222	.87A	.02	.38	-9.9	.35	-9.9	.93	.02	P1D3 0
4	21243	8222	.69A	.02	.40	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.93	.00	P1D4 0
5	21813	8222	.52A	.02	.62	-9.9	.62	-9.9	.89	-.03	P1D5 0
MEAN	21220.	8222.	.70	.02	.48	-9.9	.45	-9.9			
S.D.	400.	0.	.12	.00	.08	.0	.10	.0			

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .63 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.42)	0 Unscorable
1	1	304	4	-2.31	-1.07	.38	.29	-3.50A	-2.94	1 Minimal
2	2	3025	37	.31	.55	.66	.61	-3.62A	-.52	2 Limited
3	3	4450	54	3.74	3.41	.65	.60	1.15A	4.19	3 Adequate
4	4	443	5	6.88	8.38	.46	.37	5.97A	(7.70)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.42)	-INF	-3.75	0% 0%	105.3	0 Unscorable
1	-2.87	.11	-2.94	-3.75	-2.15	63% 77%	19.4%	1 Minimal
2	-2.99	.07	-.52	-2.15	1.78	81% 82%	-.4%	2 Limited
3	1.78	.03	4.19	1.78	6.62	87% 87%	6.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.60	.05	(7.70)	6.62	+INF	77% 63%	-32.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .80 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.46)	0 Unscorable
1	1	375	5	-2.47	-1.01	.20	.10	-3.82A	-2.88	1 Minimal
2	2	3507	43	.64	.81	.58	.55	-3.53A	-.16	2 Limited
3	3	3933	48	4.00	3.61	.66	.60	1.50A	4.47	3 Adequate
4	4	407	5	6.86	8.62	.49	.44	5.84A	(7.75)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.46)	-INF	-3.75	0% 0%	108.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.02	.11	-2.88	-3.75	-2.02	85% 84%	16.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.73	.06	-.16	-2.02	2.28	89% 77%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	2.30	.03	4.47	2.28	6.68	80% 90%	5.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.64	.05	(7.75)	6.68	+INF	71% 63%	-34.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .87 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.51)	0 Unscorable
1	1	445	5	-2.40	-.98	.20	.11	-4.02A	-2.82	1 Minimal
2	2	3301	40	.55	.79	.46	.41	-3.34A	-.11	2 Limited
3	3	4197	51	4.06	3.60	.54	.51	1.29A	4.55	3 Adequate
4	4	279	3	7.22	10.41	.40	.34	6.07A	(8.05)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.51)	-INF	-3.76	0% 0%	110.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.15	.11	-2.82	-3.76	-1.90	-3.47 97% 81%	14.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.47	.06	-.11	-1.90	2.16	-2.17 91% 84%	.7%	2 Limited
3	2.16	.03	4.55	2.16	6.96	2.16 87% 92%	6.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.94	.06	(8.05)	6.96	+INF	6.95 63% 82%	-45.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .69 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.50)	0 Unscorable
1	1	418	5	-2.43	-1.01	.19	.10	-3.80A	-2.84	1 Minimal
2	2	3076	37	.41	.67	.46	.43	-3.24A	-.26	2 Limited
3	3	4239	52	3.86	3.46	.55	.52	1.24A	4.21	3 Adequate
4	4	489	6	6.74	8.04	.49	.42	5.79A	(7.59)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.50)	-INF	-3.75	0% 0%	108.0	0 Unscorable
1	-3.11	.11	-2.84	-3.75	-1.95	-3.45 91% 81%	16.7%	1 Minimal
2	-2.55	.06	-.26	-1.95	1.93	-2.22 87% 86%	.0%	2 Limited
3	1.93	.03	4.21	1.93	6.51	1.93 86% 90%	6.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.48	.05	(7.59)	6.51	+INF	6.49 72% 53%	-29.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .52 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.47)	0 Unscorable
1	1	390	5	-2.25	-1.06	.35	.26	-3.58A	-2.85	1 Minimal
2	2	2774	34	.37	.53	.70	.70	-3.13A	-.42	2 Limited
3	3	4357	53	3.57	3.29	.82	.85	1.11A	3.87	3 Adequate
4	4	701	9	6.10	7.01	.69	.61	5.59A	(7.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.47)	-INF	-3.74	0% 0%	107.5	0 Unscorable
1	-3.06	.11	-2.85	-3.74	-1.98	-3.43 76% 72%	17.1%	1 Minimal
2	-2.61	.06	-.42	-1.98	1.64	-2.26 73% 80%	-1.4%	2 Limited
3	1.63	.03	3.87	1.64	6.14	1.63 81% 78%	6.6%	3 Adequate
4	6.11	.04	(7.22)	6.14	+INF	6.12 60% 54%	-20.5%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	22816	8580	-.12A	.02	.53	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.90	-.03	P1D1	0
2	21729	8580	.18A	.02	.53	-9.9	.48	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2	0
3	21587	8580	.31A	.02	.44	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.92	.03	P1D3	0
4	21669	8580	.29A	.02	.43	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D4	0
5	22680	8580	-.06A	.02	.67	-9.9	.64	-9.9	.88	-.04	P1D5	0
MEAN	22096.	8580.	.12	.02	.52	-9.9	.47	-9.9				
S.D.	536.	0.	.18	.00	.09	.0	.10	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.12 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	318	4	-3.49	-2.58	.36	.30	-4.69A	-4.15	1 Minimal
2	2	2907	34	-.09	.21	.64	.61	-3.36A	-.99	2 Limited
3	3	4736	55	3.53	3.21	.66	.57	1.57A	3.91	3 Adequate
4	4	619	7	6.81	7.81	.45	.36	6.48A	(7.46)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.07)	-INF -5.23	0% 0%	68.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.81	.13	-4.15	-5.23 -3.08	80% 79%	.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.48	.07	-.99	-3.08 1.45	88% 78%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	1.45	.03	3.91	1.45 6.38	84% 93%	7.3%	3 Adequate
4	6.36	.05	(7.46)	6.38 +INF	87% 57%	-24.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .18 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.19)	0 Unscorable
1	1	430	5	-3.46	-2.36	.26	.16	-5.17A	-4.02	1 Minimal
2	2	3684	43	.48	.64	.60	.58	-3.23A	-.38	2 Limited
3	3	3933	46	3.94	3.56	.70	.62	2.10A	4.38	3 Adequate
4	4	533	6	6.77	8.14	.49	.46	6.30A	(7.59)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.19)	-INF -5.27	0% 0%	69.8	0 Unscorable
1	-4.99	.13	-4.02	-5.27 -2.78	86% 86%	.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.05	.06	-.38	-2.78 2.25	89% 77%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.28	.03	4.38	2.25 6.52	78% 90%	5.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.48	.05	(7.59)	6.52 +INF	75% 57%	-27.1%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .31 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.25)	0 Unscorable
1	1	498	6	-3.41	-2.28	.21	.12	-5.39A	-3.94	1 Minimal
2	2	3456	40	.40	.62	.51	.45	-3.10A	-.33	2 Limited
3	3	4327	50	4.05	3.56	.60	.53	1.80A	4.56	3 Adequate
4	4	299	3	7.24	10.79	.43	.35	6.69A	(8.10)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.25)	-INF	-5.30	0% 0%	70.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.08	.13	-3.94	-5.30	-2.59	-5.17 96% 83%	-.2%	1 Minimal
2	-2.79	.06	-.33	-2.59	2.11	-2.71 90% 83%	.9%	2 Limited
3	2.11	.03	4.56	2.11	7.02	2.11 85% 93%	6.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.00	.05	(8.10)	7.02	+INF	7.01 70% 45%	-44.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.25)	0 Unscorable
1	1	517	6	-3.35	-2.26	.23	.14	-5.38A	-3.90	1 Minimal
2	2	3390	40	.37	.62	.48	.42	-3.00A	-.31	2 Limited
3	3	4320	50	4.01	3.52	.59	.53	1.79A	4.48	3 Adequate
4	4	353	4	7.07	9.84	.49	.42	6.59A	(7.98)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.25)	-INF	-5.29	0% 0%	71.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.09	.13	-3.90	-5.29	-2.53	-5.17 94% 78%	-.7%	1 Minimal
2	-2.71	.06	-.31	-2.53	2.08	-2.64 89% 84%	.5%	2 Limited
3	2.08	.03	4.48	2.08	6.90	2.08 86% 90%	7.0%	3 Adequate
4	6.88	.05	(7.98)	6.90	+INF	6.89 59% 68%	-38.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.06 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.21)	0 Unscorable
1	1	462	5	-3.18	-2.34	.41	.32	-4.97A	-3.95	1 Minimal
2	2	2942	34	.20	.37	.74	.71	-2.81A	-.61	2 Limited
3	3	4370	51	3.53	3.23	.85	.82	1.69A	3.83	3 Adequate
4	4	806	9	6.15	6.99	.68	.61	6.09A	(7.14)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE - - - - ZONE - - - -	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.21)	-INF -5.27		0% 0%	69.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.03	.13	-3.95	-5.27 -2.66	-5.13	79% 74%	.1%	1 Minimal
2	-2.87	.06	-.61	-2.66 1.63	-2.78	74% 80%	-1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.63	.03	3.83	1.63 6.06	1.63	80% 78%	6.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.03	.04	(7.14)	6.06 +INF	6.04	61% 54%	-17.7%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD	CORR.			
1	22302	8431	.33A	.02	.50	-9.9	.45	-9.9	.91	-.03	P1D1	0
2	21523	8431	.54A	.02	.49	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.91	.01	P1D2	0
3	21312	8431	.70A	.02	.43	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D3	0
4	21253	8431	.67A	.02	.41	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.92	.02	P1D4	0
5	21882	8431	.45A	.02	.65	-9.9	.62	-9.9	.89	-.01	P1D5	0
MEAN	21654.	8431.	.54	.02	.50	-9.9	.45	-9.9				
S.D.	392.	0.	.14	.00	.08	.0	.09	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .33 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	305	4	-2.88	-1.63	.29	.22	-3.96A	-3.42	1 Minimal
2	2	2965	35	.14	.41	.62	.58	-3.53A	-.72	2 Limited
3	3	4577	54	3.69	3.37	.63	.56	1.33A	4.08	3 Adequate
4	4	584	7	6.92	7.80	.44	.35	6.16A	(7.59)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE - - - - ZONE - - - -	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.04)	-INF -4.32		0% 0%	89.6	0 Unscorable
1	-3.63	.12	-3.42	-4.32 -2.54	-4.00	81% 76%	12.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.20	.07	-.72	-2.54 1.66	-2.84	89% 78%	-1.6%	2 Limited
3	1.66	.03	4.08	1.66 6.51	1.66	83% 94%	6.9%	3 Adequate
4	6.49	.05	(7.59)	6.51 +INF	6.50	86% 54%	-24.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .54 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.11)	0 Unscorable
1	1	386	5	-2.89	-1.54	.22	.12	-4.33A	-3.34	1 Minimal
2	2	3514	42	.54	.71	.59	.57	-3.42A	-.29	2 Limited
3	3	4015	48	3.98	3.63	.66	.58	1.71A	4.42	3 Adequate
4	4	516	6	6.93	8.10	.46	.41	6.05A	(7.70)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.11)	-INF	-4.33	0% 0%	92.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.79	.12	-3.34	-4.33	-2.37	-4.06 83% 84%	9.4%	1 Minimal
2	-2.88	.06	-.29	-2.37	2.23	-2.62 88% 80%	.9%	2 Limited
3	2.25	.03	4.42	2.23	6.63	2.24 81% 90%	5.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.59	.05	(7.70)	6.63	+INF	6.60 79% 56%	-27.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .70 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.17)	0 Unscorable
1	1	448	5	-2.85	-1.50	.19	.11	-4.60A	-3.27	1 Minimal
2	2	3329	39	.47	.70	.51	.45	-3.34A	-.24	2 Limited
3	3	4410	52	4.11	3.65	.61	.55	1.41A	4.67	3 Adequate
4	4	244	3	7.45	11.59	.42	.32	6.53A	(8.33)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.17)	-INF	-4.34	0% 0%	93.6	0 Unscorable
1	-3.90	.12	-3.27	-4.34	-2.23	-4.11 95% 83%	8.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.64	.06	-.24	-2.23	2.12	-2.44 89% 85%	.3%	2 Limited
3	2.11	.03	4.67	2.12	7.25	2.11 87% 92%	6.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.23	.06	(8.33)	7.25	+INF	7.24 70% 47%	-48.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .67 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.19)	0 Unscorable
1	1	474	6	-2.80	-1.47	.21	.11	-4.61A	-3.25	1 Minimal
2	2	3449	41	.54	.77	.47	.42	-3.23A	-.13	2 Limited
3	3	4151	49	4.14	3.67	.57	.50	1.58A	4.59	3 Adequate
4	4	357	4	7.14	9.52	.48	.42	6.26A	(8.04)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.19)	-INF	-4.35	0% 0%	93.2	0 Unscorable
1	-3.94	.12	-3.25	-4.35	-2.18	-4.13 94% 78%	7.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.56	.06	-.13	-2.18	2.25	-2.38 89% 83%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	2.25	.03	4.59	2.25	6.96	2.25 84% 91%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.93	.05	(8.04)	6.96	+INF	6.94 62% 65%	-37.8%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .45 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.16)	0 Unscorable
1	1	437	5	-2.64	-1.51	.36	.25	-4.33A	-3.28	1 Minimal
2	2	3160	37	.50	.61	.72	.70	-3.12A	-.33	2 Limited
3	3	4211	50	3.80	3.49	.87	.85	1.51A	4.18	3 Adequate
4	4	623	7	6.36	7.57	.70	.61	5.94A	(7.50)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.16) -INF -4.33		0% 0%	92.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.88	.12	-3.28 -4.33 -2.25	-4.10	81% 72%	9.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.67	.06	-.33 -2.25 1.95	-2.46	78% 79%	-.1%	2 Limited
3	1.96	.03	4.18 1.95 6.42	1.96	78% 83%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.39	.05	(7.50) 6.42 +INF	6.40	61% 36%	-23.0%	4 Superior

Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 6 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	22327	8185	-.61A	.02	.51	-9.9	.48	-9.9	.91	-.01	P1D1	0
2	21968	8185	-.51A	.02	.48	-9.9	.45	-9.9	.92	-.01	P1D2	0
3	21644	8185	-.38A	.02	.41	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.93	.02	P1D3	0
4	21766	8185	-.41A	.02	.43	-9.9	.41	-9.9	.93	-.01	P1D4	0
5	21866	8185	-.44A	.02	.71	-9.9	.70	-9.9	.88	-.01	P1D5	0
MEAN	21914.	8185.	-.47	.02	.51	-9.9	.48	-9.9				
S.D.	233.	1.	.08	.00	.11	.0	.12	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.61 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.21)	0 Unscorable
1	1	275	3	-3.69	-2.74	.33	.28	-4.33A	-4.32	1 Minimal
2	2	2531	31	-.38	-.02	.62	.60	-3.09A	-1.32	2 Limited
3	3	4526	55	2.86	2.48	.67	.60	1.63A	3.10	3 Adequate
4	4	853	10	5.76	6.65	.43	.39	5.78A	(6.28)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.21) -INF -5.38		0% 0%	61.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.94	.14	-4.32 -5.38 -3.29	-5.15	82% 74%	-.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.70	.07	-1.32 -3.29 1.00	-3.50	79% 83%	-3.9%	2 Limited
3	1.02	.03	3.10 1.00 5.21	1.01	85% 86%	10.4%	3 Adequate
4	5.17	.04	(6.28) 5.21 +INF	5.19	82% 69%	-23.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.51 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.27)	0 Unscorable
1	1	322	4	-3.77	-2.63	.21	.14	-4.53A	-4.27	1 Minimal
2	2	2801	34	-.17	.16	.53	.52	-2.98A	-1.06	2 Limited
3	3	4204	51	3.00	2.57	.65	.58	1.85A	3.24	3 Adequate
4	4	858	10	5.70	6.58	.45	.45	5.65A	(6.26)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ---ZONE---			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.27)	-INF	-5.41		0%	0%	61.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.04	.14	-4.27	-5.41	-3.15	-5.21	83%	88%	-.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.49	.07	-1.06	-3.15	1.30	-3.33	86%	79%	-2.7%	2 Limited
3	1.34	.03	3.24	1.30	5.20	1.33	82%	89%	10.4%	3 Adequate
4	5.14	.04	(6.26)	5.20	+INF	5.16	80%	67%	-22.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.38 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.36)	0 Unscorable
1	1	394	5	-3.65	-2.53	.21	.14	-4.79A	-4.17	1 Minimal
2	2	2701	33	-.18	.19	.45	.42	-2.78A	-.93	2 Limited
3	3	4512	55	3.14	2.60	.59	.54	1.66A	3.40	3 Adequate
4	4	578	7	6.10	8.17	.35	.32	5.90A	(6.63)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE		SCORE-TO-MEASURE			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
	MEASURE	S.E.	AT CAT.	----	ZONE----		M->C	C->M		
0	NONE		(-6.36)	-INF	-5.44		0%	0%	62.0	0 Unscorable
1	-5.17	.14	-4.17	-5.44	-2.93	-5.28	96%	84%	-1.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.16	.06	-.93	-2.93	1.27	-3.06	88%	84%	-2.8%	2 Limited
3	1.28	.03	3.40	1.27	5.56	1.28	89%	90%	11.6%	3 Adequate
4	5.52	.04	(6.63)	5.56	+INF	5.53	70%	87%	-35.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.41 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.39)	0 Unscorable
1	1	432	5	-3.54	-2.47	.23	.16	-4.81A	-4.11	1 Minimal
2	2	2715	33	-.12	.24	.43	.41	-2.59A	-.82	2 Limited
3	3	4248	52	3.09	2.59	.61	.57	1.76A	3.29	3 Adequate
4	4	790	10	5.70	6.81	.49	.47	5.64A	(6.34)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.39)	-INF	-5.45		0%	0%	62.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.22	.14	-4.11	-5.45	-2.81	-5.31	95%	75%	-1.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.00	.06	-.82	-2.81	1.33	-2.92	86%	81%	-2.7%	2 Limited
3	1.35	.03	3.29	1.33	5.29	1.34	83%	89%	10.7%	3 Adequate
4	5.23	.04	(6.34)	5.29	+INF	5.25	71%	65%	-25.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.44 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.39)	0 Unscorable
1	1	427	5	-3.28	-2.47	.45	.37	-4.77A	-4.12	1 Minimal
2	2	2647	32	-.02	.21	.69	.66	-2.58A	-.86	2 Limited
3	3	4299	53	3.04	2.57	.97	1.01	1.72A	3.24	3 Adequate
4	4	812	10	5.14	6.75	.80	.76	5.64A	(6.31)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.39)	-INF	-5.45		0%	0%	62.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.21	.14	-4.12	-5.45	-2.82	-5.31	83%	67%	-1.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.02	.06	-.86	-2.82	1.26	-2.94	75%	73%	-3.1%	2 Limited
3	1.28	.03	3.24	1.26	5.25	1.27	75%	80%	10.7%	3 Adequate
4	5.20	.04	(6.31)	5.25	+INF	5.22	49%	43%	-24.7%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
1	21916	8226	.13A	.02	.55	-9.9	.51	-9.9	.90	P1D1 0
2	21605	8226	.21A	.02	.50	-9.9	.46	-9.9	.91	P1D2 0
3	21505	8226	.28A	.02	.41	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.92	P1D3 0
4	21363	8226	.29A	.02	.43	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.92	P1D4 0
5	21834	8226	.15A	.02	.69	-9.9	.68	-9.9	.88	P1D5 0
MEAN	21645.	8226.	.21	.02	.52	-9.9	.48	-9.9		
S.D.	205.	0.	.07	.00	.10	.0	.11	.0		

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .13 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	277	3	-2.68	-1.64	.45	.36	-3.77A	-3.47	1 Minimal
2	2	2733	33	.00	.28	.67	.62	-3.41A	-.90	2 Limited
3	3	4691	57	3.33	3.00	.70	.66	1.22A	3.73	3 Adequate
4	4	525	6	6.41	7.82	.47	.39	5.97A	(7.21)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.07)	-INF	-4.35	0% 0%	77.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.64	.13	-3.47	-4.35	-2.61	71% 72%	11.0%	1 Minimal
2	-3.28	.07	-.90	-2.61	1.35	78% 80%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.35	.03	3.73	1.35	6.13	85% 86%	7.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.10	.05	(7.21)	6.13	+INF	6.11 75% 60%	-30.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .21 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	277	3	-3.00	-1.62	.22	.12	-3.84A	-3.47	1 Minimal
2	2	3022	37	.15	.41	.59	.55	-3.51A	-.78	2 Limited
3	3	4424	54	3.46	3.09	.68	.62	1.43A	3.89	3 Adequate
4	4	503	6	6.44	7.91	.47	.42	5.92A	(7.24)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.07)	-INF	-4.35	0% 0%	78.0	0 Unscorable
1	-3.63	.13	-3.47	-4.35	-2.61	82% 83%	10.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.30	.07	-.78	-2.61	1.63	86% 79%	-1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.64	.03	3.89	1.63	6.16	84% 90%	7.6%	3 Adequate
4	6.13	.05	(7.24)	6.16	+INF	6.14 75% 62%	-30.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .28 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.11)	0 Unscorable
1	1	319	4	-2.96	-1.60	.20	.12	-4.02A	-3.42	1 Minimal
2	2	2886	35	.07	.39	.50	.44	-3.37A	-.73	2 Limited
3	3	4670	57	3.53	3.08	.58	.54	1.26A	3.98	3 Adequate
4	4	351	4	6.88	9.65	.35	.27	6.13A	(7.51)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.11)	-INF	-4.36	0% 0%	79.0	0 Unscorable
1	-3.74	.13	-3.42	-4.36	-2.51	93% 82%	9.0%	1 Minimal
2	-3.09	.07	-.73	-2.51	1.55	88% 85%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	1.54	.03	3.98	1.55	6.43	90% 91%	8.6%	3 Adequate
4	6.41	.05	(7.51)	6.43	+INF	6.42 70% 84%	-42.9%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.15)	0 Unscorable
1	1	365	4	-2.85	-1.56	.24	.14	-4.12A	-3.37	1 Minimal
2	2	3090	38	.22	.52	.47	.43	-3.19A	-.53	2 Limited
3	3	4266	52	3.58	3.14	.58	.54	1.49A	3.95	3 Adequate
4	4	505	6	6.40	7.87	.48	.43	5.82A	(7.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.15) -INF -4.36		0% 0%	80.0	0 Unscorable
1	-3.83	.13	-3.37 -4.36 -2.40	-4.09	92% 70%	7.2%	1 Minimal
2	-2.90	.06	-.53 -2.40 1.77	-2.64	88% 80%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	1.78	.03	3.95 1.77 6.15	1.78	82% 92%	7.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.11	.05	(7.22) 6.15 +INF	6.12	70% 58%	-30.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .15 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.14)	0 Unscorable
1	1	358	4	-2.54	-1.58	.46	.36	-3.97A	-3.37	1 Minimal
2	2	2842	35	.25	.40	.74	.71	-3.06A	-.64	2 Limited
3	3	4312	52	3.32	3.03	.93	.96	1.40A	3.67	3 Adequate
4	4	714	9	5.73	6.73	.70	.64	5.63A	(6.89)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.14) -INF -4.36		0% 0%	79.3	0 Unscorable
1	-3.82	.13	-3.37 -4.36 -2.41	-4.09	77% 60%	8.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.91	.06	-.64 -2.41 1.54	-2.65	75% 73%	-1.5%	2 Limited
3	1.55	.03	3.67 1.54 5.82	1.55	75% 83%	7.0%	3 Adequate
4	5.78	.04	(6.89) 5.82 +INF	5.79	58% 34%	-20.6%	4 Superior

Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 8 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
1	22291	8117	-.45A	.02	.51	-9.9	.48	-.02	P1D1 0
2	21878	8117	-.34A	.02	.47	-9.9	.45	.00	P1D2 0
3	21755	8117	-.28A	.02	.40	-9.9	.36	.02	P1D3 0
4	21599	8117	-.25A	.02	.42	-9.9	.40	.01	P1D4 0
5	21552	8117	-.23A	.02	.69	-9.9	.69	-.01	P1D5 0
MEAN	21815.	8117.	-.31	.02	.50	-9.9	.48		
S.D.	265.	1.	.08	.00	.10	.0	.12		

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.45 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.63)	0 Unscorable
1	1	253	3	-3.35	-2.27	.31	.26	-3.82A	-3.94	1 Minimal
2	2	2312	28	-.44	-.08	.61	.58	-3.14A	-1.35	2 Limited
3	3	4794	59	2.80	2.45	.68	.65	1.23A	3.03	3 Adequate
4	4	758	9	5.75	6.74	.46	.40	5.73A	(6.39)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.63)	-INF	-4.88	0% 0%	69.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.27	.13	-3.94	-4.88	-3.03	68% 79%	4.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.59	.07	-1.35	-3.03	.78	76% 80%	-4.2%	2 Limited
3	.78	.03	3.03	.78	5.31	87% 86%	9.5%	3 Adequate
4	5.28	.04	(6.39)	5.31	+INF	79% 67%	-25.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.34 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.69)	0 Unscorable
1	1	298	4	-3.42	-2.18	.22	.15	-4.04A	-3.89	1 Minimal
2	2	2634	32	-.20	.12	.54	.52	-3.05A	-1.08	2 Limited
3	3	4428	55	2.94	2.55	.65	.60	1.50A	3.21	3 Adequate
4	4	757	9	5.76	6.71	.44	.42	5.59A	(6.36)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.69)	-INF	-4.89	0% 0%	69.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.38	.13	-3.89	-4.89	-2.91	87% 84%	3.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.39	.07	-1.08	-2.91	1.14	85% 79%	-2.7%	2 Limited
3	1.16	.03	3.21	1.14	5.30	84% 90%	9.6%	3 Adequate
4	5.25	.04	(6.36)	5.30	+INF	80% 68%	-25.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.28 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.71)	0 Unscorable
1	1	319	4	-3.43	-2.18	.18	.12	-4.15A	-3.86	1 Minimal
2	2	2485	31	-.32	.08	.46	.42	-2.99A	-1.10	2 Limited
3	3	4786	59	3.03	2.55	.58	.55	1.29A	3.30	3 Adequate
4	4	527	6	6.12	8.25	.36	.31	5.86A	(6.69)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.71)	-INF -4.90		0% 0%	70.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.43	.13	-3.86	-4.90 -2.85	-4.65	95% 86%	2.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.27	.07	-1.10	-2.85 1.02	-3.06	87% 86%	-3.3%	2 Limited
3	1.01	.03	3.30	1.02 5.61	1.01	91% 90%	10.7%	3 Adequate
4	5.58	.05	(6.69)	5.61 +INF	5.59	70% 86%	-37.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.25 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.76)	0 Unscorable
1	1	359	4	-3.33	-2.11	.21	.14	-4.26A	-3.82	1 Minimal
2	2	2743	34	-.12	.24	.44	.41	-2.87A	-.88	2 Limited
3	3	4306	53	3.08	2.61	.60	.56	1.57A	3.31	3 Adequate
4	4	709	9	5.73	6.92	.47	.45	5.55A	(6.41)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.76)	-INF -4.92		0% 0%	70.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.51	.13	-3.82	-4.92 -2.75	-4.70	96% 77%	2.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.12	.06	-.88	-2.75 1.30	-2.94	88% 78%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.32	.03	3.31	1.30 5.35	1.31	82% 90%	9.9%	3 Adequate
4	5.30	.04	(6.41)	5.35 +INF	5.32	70% 64%	-27.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.23 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.80)	0 Unscorable
1	1	402	5	-2.91	-2.05	.48	.39	-4.35A	-3.77	1 Minimal
2	2	2774	34	.10	.30	.69	.67	-2.72A	-.76	2 Limited
3	3	4162	51	3.04	2.62	.95	1.00	1.63A	3.31	3 Adequate
4	4	779	10	5.18	6.53	.73	.70	5.44A	(6.33)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.80)	-INF -4.93		0% 0%	70.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.58	.13	-3.77	-4.93 -2.64	-4.74	83% 60%	1.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.95	.06	-.76	-2.64 1.38	-2.81	78% 68%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.40	.03	3.31	1.38 5.27	1.39	73% 83%	9.5%	3 Adequate
4	5.21	.04	(6.33)	5.27 +INF	5.23	49% 41%	-23.5%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	21093	7672	.16A	.02	.45	-9.9	.45	-9.9	.92	-.01	P1D1	0
2	20602	7672	.28A	.02	.43	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D2	0
3	20428	7672	.35A	.02	.35	-9.9	.35	-9.9	.93	.03	P1D3	0
4	20744	7672	.26A	.02	.40	-9.9	.41	-9.9	.93	-.02	P1D4	0
5	20461	7672	.34A	.02	.67	-9.9	.71	-9.9	.89	.00	P1D5	0
MEAN	20666.	7672.	.28	.02	.46	-9.9	.47	-9.9				
S.D.	241.	0.	.07	.00	.11	.0	.12	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .16 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.17)	0 Unscorable
1	1	260	3	-2.26	-1.06	.32	.26	-2.69A	-2.78	1 Minimal
2	2	2230	29	-.06	.30	.55	.52	-3.14A	-.84	2 Limited
3	3	4355	57	2.89	2.57	.60	.60	.84A	3.08	3 Adequate
4	4	827	11	5.71	6.33	.43	.40	4.99A	(6.26)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.17)	-INF -3.54	0% 0%	105.8	0 Unscorable
1	-2.53	.11	-2.78	-3.54 -2.06	66% 74%	22.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.98	.07	-.84	-2.06 1.01	78% 81%	-2.3%	2 Limited
3	1.00	.03	3.08	1.01 5.19	86% 87%	9.0%	3 Adequate
4	5.15	.04	(6.26)	5.19 +INF	83% 64%	-23.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .28 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.20)	0 Unscorable
1	1	287	4	-2.46	-1.01	.14	.08	-2.89A	-2.77	1 Minimal
2	2	2576	34	.17	.48	.50	.50	-3.18A	-.64	2 Limited
3	3	4073	53	3.09	2.69	.62	.61	1.11A	3.32	3 Adequate
4	4	736	10	5.71	6.66	.47	.46	4.96A	(6.35)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.20)	-INF -3.56	0% 0%	106.0	0 Unscorable
1	-2.61	.11	-2.77	-3.56 -2.02	88% 89%	20.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.90	.07	-.64	-2.02 1.37	87% 78%	-1.4%	2 Limited
3	1.39	.03	3.32	1.37 5.30	82% 90%	9.7%	3 Adequate
4	5.24	.04	(6.35)	5.30 +INF	77% 67%	-26.6%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .35 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.24)	0 Unscorable
1	1	340	4	-2.37	-1.00	.16	.10	-3.10A	-2.72	1 Minimal
2	2	2457	32	.11	.48	.42	.39	-3.00A	-.57	2 Limited
3	3	4326	56	3.16	2.69	.52	.53	.95A	3.40	3 Adequate
4	4	549	7	6.09	7.79	.35	.33	5.15A	(6.61)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.24)	-INF	-3.55	0% 0%	108.2	0 Unscorable
1	-2.75	.11	-2.72	-3.55	-1.92	-3.21 97% 83%	18.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.65	.06	-.57	-1.92	1.31	-2.22 89% 84%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	1.30	.03	3.40	1.31	5.54	1.30 89% 91%	10.8%	3 Adequate
4	5.50	.04	(6.61)	5.54	+INF	5.51 73% 85%	-36.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .26 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.24)	0 Unscorable
1	1	354	5	-2.34	-1.01	.17	.10	-3.03A	-2.69	1 Minimal
2	2	2414	31	.12	.47	.41	.40	-2.84A	-.55	2 Limited
3	3	4054	53	3.05	2.65	.57	.58	1.04A	3.20	3 Adequate
4	4	850	11	5.54	6.20	.52	.51	4.84A	(6.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.24)	-INF	-3.54	0% 0%	109.4	0 Unscorable
1	-2.77	.11	-2.69	-3.54	-1.89	-3.20 96% 79%	17.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.58	.06	-.55	-1.89	1.30	-2.17 84% 81%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.30	.03	3.20	1.30	5.16	1.30 81% 89%	9.3%	3 Adequate
4	5.10	.04	(6.22)	5.16	+INF	5.12 75% 56%	-21.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .34 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.27)	0 Unscorable
1	1	387	5	-2.07	-.98	.36	.30	-3.18A	-2.67	1 Minimal
2	2	2512	33	.41	.54	.73	.73	-2.81A	-.44	2 Limited
3	3	4042	53	3.09	2.70	.94	1.04	1.08A	3.34	3 Adequate
4	4	731	10	5.15	6.63	.78	.75	4.91A	(6.37)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.27)	-INF	-3.55		0%	0%	110.1	0 Unscorable
1	-2.84	.11	-2.67	-3.55	-1.84	-3.23	84%	63%	16.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.47	.06	-.44	-1.84	1.42	-2.11	74%	68%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	1.42	.03	3.34	1.42	5.31	1.42	73%	80%	9.9%	3 Adequate
4	5.25	.04	(6.37)	5.31	+INF	5.27	47%	41%	-26.4%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	22218	8155	-.46A	.02	.51	-9.9	.48	-9.9	.91	-.02	P1D1	0
2	21713	8155	-.32A	.02	.49	-9.9	.46	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D2	0
3	21540	8155	-.22A	.02	.40	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.93	.02	P1D3	0
4	21462	8155	-.21A	.02	.43	-9.9	.40	-9.9	.93	.01	P1D4	0
5	21693	8155	-.27A	.02	.71	-9.9	.70	-9.9	.89	-.01	P1D5	0
MEAN	21725.	8155.	-.30	.02	.51	-9.9	.48	-9.9				
S.D.	264.	1.	.09	.00	.11	.0	.12	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.46 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.87)	0 Unscorable
1	1	286	4	-3.38	-2.44	.43	.38	-4.09A	-4.09	1 Minimal
2	2	2463	30	-.39	-.03	.60	.57	-3.16A	-1.29	2 Limited
3	3	4618	57	2.92	2.58	.66	.61	1.43A	3.17	3 Adequate
4	4	788	10	5.89	6.68	.44	.39	5.83A	(6.48)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.87)	-INF	-5.08		0%	0%	70.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.55	.13	-4.09	-5.08	-3.13	-4.81	81%	74%	5.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.62	.07	-1.29	-3.13	.96	-3.37	78%	83%	-3.5%	2 Limited
3	.97	.03	3.17	.96	5.40	.97	86%	87%	8.9%	3 Adequate
4	5.37	.04	(6.48)	5.40	+INF	5.38	84%	66%	-22.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.32 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.93)	0 Unscorable
1	1	335	4	-3.55	-2.35	.22	.15	-4.34A	-4.04	1 Minimal
2	2	2786	34	-.12	.18	.54	.52	-3.09A	-1.01	2 Limited
3	3	4330	53	3.12	2.70	.68	.62	1.66A	3.40	3 Adequate
4	4	704	9	5.87	7.06	.48	.45	5.77A	(6.56)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE-----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.93)	-INF	-5.10		0%	0%	70.8	0 Unscorable
1	-4.66	.13	-4.04	-5.10	-3.00	-4.87	82%	87%	4.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.41	.07	-1.01	-3.00	1.32	-3.21	86%	78%	-2.0%	2 Limited
3	1.34	.03	3.40	1.32	5.50	1.33	83%	89%	9.2%	3 Adequate
4	5.45	.04	(6.56)	5.50	+INF	5.47	75%	66%	-26.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.22 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.99)	0 Unscorable
1	1	403	5	-3.46	-2.28	.20	.14	-4.55A	-3.94	1 Minimal
2	2	2619	32	-.18	.19	.45	.41	-2.88A	-.92	2 Limited
3	3	4633	57	3.19	2.70	.58	.54	1.45A	3.50	3 Adequate
4	4	500	6	6.29	8.47	.35	.30	5.99A	(6.88)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.99)	-INF	-5.11		0%	0%	72.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.77	.13	-3.94	-5.11	-2.80	-4.92	96%	85%	3.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.10	.06	-.92	-2.80	1.24	-2.96	88%	84%	-2.9%	2 Limited
3	1.23	.03	3.50	1.24	5.80	1.23	90%	91%	10.4%	3 Adequate
4	5.77	.05	(6.88)	5.80	+INF	5.78	71%	88%	-37.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.21 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	447	5	-3.37	-2.22	.22	.15	-4.63A	-3.89	1 Minimal
2	2	2757	34	-.04	.29	.44	.41	-2.73A	-.75	2 Limited
3	3	4303	53	3.22	2.73	.60	.56	1.62A	3.47	3 Adequate
4	4	648	8	5.92	7.30	.49	.46	5.74A	(6.64)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.04)	-INF	-5.13		0%	0%	72.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.84	.13	-3.89	-5.13	-2.69	-4.96	96%	76%	3.2%	1 Minimal
2	-2.94	.06	-.75	-2.69	1.40	-2.83	87%	79%	-1.9%	2 Limited
3	1.41	.03	3.47	1.40	5.58	1.41	83%	90%	9.5%	3 Adequate
4	5.53	.04	(6.64)	5.58	+INF	5.55	67%	64%	-28.7%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.27 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	450	6	-3.11	-2.22	.43	.36	-4.57A	-3.89	1 Minimal
2	2	2649	32	.10	.25	.74	.72	-2.65A	-.79	2 Limited
3	3	4279	52	3.06	2.69	.97	1.00	1.59A	3.34	3 Adequate
4	4	777	10	5.34	6.64	.73	.69	5.63A	(6.47)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.04)	-INF -5.13	0% 0%	72.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.84	.13	-3.89	-5.13 -2.68	85% 68%	3.4%	1 Minimal
2	-2.92	.06	-.79	-2.68 1.31	75% 71%	-2.5%	2 Limited
3	1.32	.03	3.34	1.31 5.41	74% 81%	9.0%	3 Adequate
4	5.36	.04	(6.47)	5.41 +INF	50% 40%	-22.6%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	22785	8405	-.19A	.02	.49	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	-.04	P1D1	0
2	21726	8405	.12A	.02	.53	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2	0
3	21379	8405	.29A	.02	.46	-9.9	.40	-9.9	.91	.04	P1D3	0
4	21782	8405	.16A	.02	.44	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D4	0
5	22457	8405	-.07A	.02	.69	-9.9	.65	-9.9	.88	-.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	22026.	8405.	.06	.02	.52	-9.9	.47	-9.9				
S.D.	516.	1.	.17	.00	.09	.0	.10	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.19 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.85)	0 Unscorable
1	1	208	2	-3.68	-2.51	.23	.18	-4.29A	-4.17	1 Minimal
2	2	2646	31	-.26	.12	.58	.53	-3.67A	-1.26	2 Limited
3	3	4919	59	3.46	3.12	.65	.56	1.45A	3.79	3 Adequate
4	4	632	8	6.79	7.83	.45	.34	6.51A	(7.42)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.85)	-INF -5.10	0% 0%	59.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.48	.14	-4.17	-5.10 -3.26	80% 83%	1.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.86	.08	-1.26	-3.26 1.26	90% 80%	-3.6%	2 Limited
3	1.26	.03	3.79	1.26 6.34	86% 94%	7.9%	3 Adequate
4	6.32	.05	(7.42)	6.34 +INF	84% 61%	-24.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .12 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.98)	0 Unscorable
1	1	309	4	-3.48	-2.31	.27	.16	-4.85A	-4.03	1 Minimal
2	2	3416	41	.35	.56	.60	.57	-3.44A	-.60	2 Limited
3	3	4135	49	3.84	3.44	.70	.61	1.98A	4.27	3 Adequate
4	4	545	6	6.82	8.22	.46	.41	6.31A	(7.54)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.98)	-INF	-5.13		0%	0%	62.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.73	.14	-4.03	-5.13	-2.94	-4.91	81%	82%	-.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.32	.07	-.60	-2.94	2.08	-3.14	88%	77%	.3%	2 Limited
3	2.10	.03	4.27	2.08	6.47	2.09	80%	90%	6.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.43	.05	(7.54)	6.47	+INF	6.44	76%	64%	-27.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	382	5	-3.42	-2.19	.22	.12	-5.16A	-3.94	1 Minimal
2	2	3381	40	.38	.62	.52	.46	-3.29A	-.43	2 Limited
3	3	4333	52	4.01	3.50	.64	.57	1.82A	4.51	3 Adequate
4	4	309	4	7.20	10.98	.42	.35	6.62A	(8.01)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.07)	-INF	-5.17		0%	0%	62.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.87	.14	-3.94	-5.17	-2.72	-5.00	98%	81%	-.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.00	.06	-.43	-2.72	2.10	-2.88	91%	81%	.3%	2 Limited
3	2.11	.03	4.51	2.10	6.93	2.11	83%	94%	7.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.91	.05	(8.01)	6.93	+INF	6.92	69%	50%	-45.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .16 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	384	5	-3.42	-2.19	.21	.11	-5.03A	-3.92	1 Minimal
2	2	3148	37	.24	.53	.47	.41	-3.13A	-.52	2 Limited
3	3	4390	52	3.85	3.39	.61	.54	1.75A	4.24	3 Adequate
4	4	483	6	6.89	8.68	.48	.41	6.40A	(7.67)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.07)	-INF -5.16		0% 0%	62.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.87	.14	-3.92	-5.16 -2.70	-4.99	95% 78%	-.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.97	.06	-.52	-2.70 1.90	-2.85	88% 83%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	1.91	.03	4.24	1.90 6.59	1.91	85% 90%	7.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.56	.05	(7.67)	6.59 +INF	6.57	68% 65%	-31.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.07 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	351	4	-3.26	-2.24	.35	.26	-4.75A	-3.96	1 Minimal
2	2	2827	34	.19	.35	.74	.71	-3.03A	-.74	2 Limited
3	3	4456	53	3.52	3.21	.90	.88	1.65A	3.82	3 Adequate
4	4	771	9	6.15	7.16	.71	.62	6.13A	(7.17)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.04)	-INF -5.15		0% 0%	61.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.82	.14	-3.96	-5.15 -2.80	-4.96	83% 74%	.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.10	.07	-.74	-2.80 1.57	-2.96	75% 79%	-2.0%	2 Limited
3	1.58	.03	3.82	1.57 6.09	1.58	81% 78%	7.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.06	.04	(7.17)	6.09 +INF	6.07	59% 59%	-19.3%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
1	22858	8470	.11A	.02	.49	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	P1D1 0
2	21587	8470	.48A	.02	.51	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.91	P1D2 0
3	21490	8470	.59A	.02	.44	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.91	P1D3 0
4	21521	8470	.56A	.02	.42	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.92	P1D4 0
5	22442	8470	.23A	.02	.65	-9.9	.61	-9.9	.88	P1D5 0
MEAN	21980.	8470.	.39	.02	.50	-9.9	.44	-9.9		
S.D.	564.	0.	.19	.00	.08	.0	.09	.0		

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .11 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.30)	0 Unscorable
1	1	212	3	-3.20	-2.00	.27	.20	-3.94A	-3.74	1 Minimal
2	2	2721	32	-.16	.20	.59	.54	-3.75A	-1.09	2 Limited
3	3	4944	58	3.60	3.29	.62	.55	1.24A	3.96	3 Adequate
4	4	593	7	7.04	7.94	.44	.33	6.45A	(7.66)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.30)	-INF	-4.60	0% 0%	69.9	0 Unscorable
1	-3.83	.13	-3.74	-4.60	-2.90	72% 78%	5.0%	1 Minimal
2	-3.64	.08	-1.09	-2.90	1.35	88% 82%	-2.9%	2 Limited
3	1.35	.03	3.96	1.35	6.58	1.35 87% 94%	7.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.56	.05	(7.66)	6.58	+INF	6.57 87% 56%	-24.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .48 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.44)	0 Unscorable
1	1	341	4	-3.07	-1.81	.24	.13	-4.63A	-3.59	1 Minimal
2	2	3597	42	.53	.70	.62	.57	-3.50A	-.34	2 Limited
3	3	4076	48	4.05	3.70	.68	.59	1.82A	4.55	3 Adequate
4	4	456	5	7.22	8.68	.42	.36	6.31A	(7.90)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.44)	-INF	-4.62	0% 0%	73.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.15	.13	-3.59	-4.62	-2.56	85% 78%	1.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.02	.06	-.34	-2.56	2.28	88% 77%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.30	.03	4.55	2.28	6.82	2.29 80% 91%	5.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.79	.05	(7.90)	6.82	+INF	6.80 79% 66%	-30.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .59 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.51)	0 Unscorable
1	1	399	5	-3.02	-1.77	.22	.12	-4.86A	-3.52	1 Minimal
2	2	3383	40	.43	.67	.51	.44	-3.36A	-.30	2 Limited
3	3	4427	52	4.15	3.69	.62	.56	1.55A	4.70	3 Adequate
4	4	261	3	7.52	11.51	.42	.32	6.67A	(8.36)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.51)	-INF	-4.65	0% 0%	73.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.27	.13	-3.52	-4.65	-2.42	98% 77%	.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.77	.06	-.30	-2.42	2.14	90% 83%	.8%	2 Limited
3	2.14	.03	4.70	2.14	7.28	2.14 85% 93%	6.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.26	.06	(8.36)	7.28	+INF	7.27 67% 47%	-46.8%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .56 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.48)	0 Unscorable
1	1	378	4	-3.06	-1.78	.21	.11	-4.79A	-3.55	1 Minimal
2	2	3436	41	.41	.67	.48	.40	-3.42A	-.33	2 Limited
3	3	4353	51	4.16	3.69	.59	.52	1.61A	4.66	3 Adequate
4	4	303	4	7.40	10.62	.46	.37	6.59A	(8.25)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.48) -INF -4.64		0% 0%	73.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.23	.13	-3.55 -4.64 -2.47	-4.42	95% 79%	1.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.86	.06	-.33 -2.47 2.17	-2.68	91% 83%	1.1%	2 Limited
3	2.17	.03	4.66 2.17 7.17	2.17	86% 91%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	7.15	.06	(8.25) 7.17 +INF	7.16	55% 70%	-42.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .23 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.45)	0 Unscorable
1	1	344	4	-2.92	-1.83	.33	.23	-4.40A	-3.57	1 Minimal
2	2	2990	35	.28	.44	.71	.68	-3.20A	-.59	2 Limited
3	3	4426	52	3.70	3.41	.86	.83	1.51A	4.03	3 Adequate
4	4	710	8	6.44	7.35	.67	.57	6.09A	(7.43)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.45) -INF -4.62		0% 0%	72.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.17	.13	-3.57 -4.62 -2.55	-4.39	79% 73%	2.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.97	.06	-.59 -2.55 1.74	-2.76	77% 81%	-.8%	2 Limited
3	1.74	.03	4.03 1.74 6.35	1.74	81% 80%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.32	.04	(7.43) 6.35 +INF	6.33	62% 55%	-19.5%	4 Superior

Grade 6 Matrix Prompt 13 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	23364	8654	-.05A	.02	.49	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	-.05	P1D1	0
2	21886	8654	.38A	.02	.53	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.90	.03	P1D2	0
3	21797	8654	.49A	.02	.45	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.91	.03	P1D3	0
4	21928	8654	.44A	.02	.45	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.91	.01	P1D4	0
5	22826	8654	.11A	.02	.68	-9.9	.64	-9.9	.88	-.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	22360.	8654.	.27	.02	.52	-9.9	.46	-9.9				
S.D.	625.	0.	.21	.00	.08	.0	.10	.0				

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.68)	0 Unscorable
1	1	246	3	-3.39	-2.38	.32	.25	-4.27A	-3.99	1 Minimal
2	2	2745	32	-.24	.13	.57	.52	-3.59A	-1.15	2 Limited
3	3	5024	58	3.54	3.23	.61	.54	1.32A	3.89	3 Adequate
4	4	639	7	6.95	7.75	.47	.36	6.55A	(7.60)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.68)	-INF -4.93	0% 0%	69.0	0 Unscorable
1	-4.32	.13	-3.99	-4.93 -3.06	75% 79%	1.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.64	.07	-1.15	-3.06 1.28	87% 82%	-2.6%	2 Limited
3	1.27	.03	3.89	1.28 6.52	86% 93%	6.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.50	.05	(7.60)	6.52 +INF	90% 53%	-22.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .38 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.85)	0 Unscorable
1	1	380	4	-3.30	-2.14	.25	.14	-5.00A	-3.85	1 Minimal
2	2	3733	43	.52	.67	.63	.57	-3.45A	-.37	2 Limited
3	3	4124	48	4.09	3.72	.70	.61	1.92A	4.61	3 Adequate
4	4	417	5	7.17	9.03	.48	.42	6.53A	(8.02)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.85)	-INF -4.99	0% 0%	70.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.62	.13	-3.85	-4.99 -2.72	83% 83%	.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.07	.06	-.37	-2.72 2.28	89% 76%	2.2%	2 Limited
3	2.30	.03	4.61	2.28 6.94	79% 90%	4.8%	3 Adequate
4	6.91	.05	(8.02)	6.94 +INF	72% 66%	-32.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .49 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.93)	0 Unscorable
1	1	456	5	-3.21	-2.05	.23	.14	-5.23A	-3.76	1 Minimal
2	2	3524	41	.45	.66	.52	.45	-3.26A	-.29	2 Limited
3	3	4403	51	4.16	3.71	.60	.54	1.68A	4.73	3 Adequate
4	4	271	3	7.51	11.07	.43	.34	6.80A	(8.39)	4 Superior

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.93)	-INF	-5.02		0%	0%	70.9	0 Unscorable
1	-4.74	.13	-3.76	-5.02	-2.52	-4.86	97%	80%	-.6%	1 Minimal
2	-2.77	.06	-.29	-2.52	2.17	-2.66	91%	82%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.17	.03	4.73	2.17	7.31	2.17	84%	94%	5.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.29	.06	(8.39)	7.31	+INF	7.30	72%	45%	-44.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .44 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.93)	0 Unscorable
1	1	460	5	-3.20	-2.05	.22	.13	-5.18A	-3.75	1 Minimal
2	2	3450	40	.40	.64	.49	.42	-3.19A	-.30	2 Limited
3	3	4408	51	4.11	3.67	.61	.55	1.68A	4.63	3 Adequate
4	4	336	4	7.24	9.89	.52	.43	6.69A	(8.23)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.93)	-INF	-5.01		0%	0%	71.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.74	.13	-3.75	-5.01	-2.50	-4.85	96%	78%	-.5%	1 Minimal
2	-2.75	.06	-.30	-2.50	2.12	-2.64	89%	83%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	2.12	.03	4.63	2.12	7.15	2.12	85%	90%	5.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.13	.05	(8.23)	7.15	+INF	7.14	57%	64%	-37.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .11 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.89)	0 Unscorable
1	1	413	5	-3.05	-2.11	.38	.28	-4.79A	-3.79	1 Minimal
2	2	3045	35	.29	.42	.76	.74	-3.00A	-.57	2 Limited
3	3	4461	52	3.66	3.38	.87	.85	1.61A	4.01	3 Adequate
4	4	735	8	6.39	7.32	.68	.58	6.18A	(7.40)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.89)	-INF	-4.99		0%	0%	69.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.68	.13	-3.79	-4.99	-2.61	-4.82	79%	72%	.2%	1 Minimal
2	-2.89	.06	-.57	-2.61	1.72	-2.76	75%	79%	-.5%	2 Limited
3	1.72	.03	4.01	1.72	6.32	1.72	80%	79%	6.1%	3 Adequate
4	6.29	.04	(7.40)	6.32	+INF	6.30	63%	56%	-19.0%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
1	21667	8182	.39A	.02	.52	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.90	-.03	P1D1	0
2	20691	8182	.67A	.02	.47	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2	0
3	20664	8182	.74A	.02	.42	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.92	.03	P1D3	0
4	20780	8182	.70A	.02	.41	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.92	.01	P1D4	0
5	21758	8182	.36A	.02	.62	-9.9	.60	-9.9	.89	-.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	21112.	8182.	.57	.02	.49	-9.9	.45	-9.9				
S.D.	493.	2.	.16	.00	.07	.0	.09	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .39 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.91)	0 Unscorable
1	1	302	4	-2.77	-1.52	.31	.23	-3.87A	-3.31	1 Minimal
2	2	2822	34	.17	.42	.66	.63	-3.52A	-.69	2 Limited
3	3	4511	55	3.69	3.40	.65	.59	1.24A	4.09	3 Adequate
4	4	547	7	6.93	7.92	.46	.36	6.15A	(7.64)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.91)	-INF -4.19	0% 0%	91.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.48	.12	-3.31	-4.19 -2.45	65% 80%	13.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.13	.07	-.69	-2.45 1.63	77% 83%	-1.3%	2 Limited
3	1.63	.03	4.09	1.63 6.56	86% 85%	6.7%	3 Adequate
4	6.54	.05	(7.64)	6.56 +INF	84% 54%	-25.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .67 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-4.99)	0 Unscorable
1	1	391	5	-2.79	-1.41	.22	.12	-4.33A	-3.23	1 Minimal
2	2	3487	43	.62	.79	.57	.54	-3.47A	-.19	2 Limited
3	3	3890	48	4.10	3.72	.64	.58	1.69A	4.57	3 Adequate
4	4	414	5	7.10	8.77	.44	.39	6.11A	(7.89)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-4.99)	-INF -4.21	0% 0%	93.6	0 Unscorable
1	-3.66	.12	-3.23	-4.21 -2.27	88% 83%	11.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.80	.06	-.19	-2.27 2.34	90% 78%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.36	.03	4.57	2.34 6.81	80% 92%	5.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.78	.05	(7.89)	6.81 +INF	76% 65%	-32.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .74 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	439	5	-2.74	-1.39	.21	.12	-4.49A	-3.18	1 Minimal
2	2	3271	40	.52	.74	.50	.44	-3.35A	-.19	2 Limited
3	3	4205	51	4.15	3.69	.59	.54	1.44A	4.67	3 Adequate
4	4	267	3	7.40	10.89	.42	.34	6.41A	(8.25)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.04)	-INF	-4.22	0% 0%	94.2	0 Unscorable
1	-3.75	.12	-3.18	-4.22	-2.17	-3.98 96% 80%	9.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.61	.06	-.19	-2.17	2.18	-2.39 90% 83%	.9%	2 Limited
3	2.18	.03	4.67	2.18	7.17	2.18 85% 94%	6.3%	3 Adequate
4	7.15	.06	(8.25)	7.17	+INF	7.16 73% 45%	-45.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .70 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	449	5	-2.71	-1.39	.22	.13	-4.46A	-3.16	1 Minimal
2	2	3201	39	.47	.72	.47	.41	-3.26A	-.19	2 Limited
3	3	4199	51	4.11	3.66	.57	.52	1.43A	4.56	3 Adequate
4	4	333	4	7.17	9.69	.49	.40	6.29A	(8.09)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.04)	-INF	-4.21	0% 0%	94.9	0 Unscorable
1	-3.76	.12	-3.16	-4.21	-2.14	-3.98 94% 77%	9.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.56	.06	-.19	-2.14	2.13	-2.35 89% 84%	.6%	2 Limited
3	2.13	.03	4.56	2.13	7.01	2.13 86% 91%	6.3%	3 Adequate
4	6.99	.05	(8.09)	7.01	+INF	7.00 59% 63%	-38.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .36 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.00)	0 Unscorable
1	1	401	5	-2.62	-1.45	.31	.23	-4.05A	-3.20	1 Minimal
2	2	2704	33	.30	.46	.69	.68	-3.06A	-.51	2 Limited
3	3	4359	53	3.63	3.35	.81	.81	1.25A	3.92	3 Adequate
4	4	718	9	6.29	7.14	.69	.60	5.86A	(7.33)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.00)	-INF	-4.20	0% 0%	92.4	0 Unscorable
1	-3.69	.12	-3.20	-4.20	-2.23	-3.94 79% 73%	11.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.70	.06	-.51	-2.23	1.62	-2.46 73% 82%	-1.6%	2 Limited
3	1.61	.03	3.92	1.62	6.25	1.61 82% 78%	6.4%	3 Adequate
4	6.22	.04	(7.33)	6.25	+INF	6.23 62% 54%	-19.1%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	22055	8270	.05A	.02	.49	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.91	-.03	P1D1	0
2	21052	8270	.35A	.02	.50	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.91	.02	P1D2	0
3	21045	8270	.43A	.02	.41	-9.9	.35	-9.9	.92	.02	P1D3	0
4	21095	8270	.37A	.02	.41	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.92	.02	P1D4	0
5	21892	8270	.09A	.02	.65	-9.9	.63	-9.9	.89	-.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	21428.	8270.	.26	.02	.49	-9.9	.44	-9.9				
S.D.	449.	0.	.16	.00	.09	.0	.10	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.73)	0 Unscorable
1	1	325	4	-3.08	-2.21	.42	.37	-4.52A	-3.82	1 Minimal
2	2	2683	32	-.08	.27	.58	.54	-3.21A	-.84	2 Limited
3	3	4684	57	3.59	3.26	.59	.53	1.38A	3.92	3 Adequate
4	4	578	7	6.83	7.85	.45	.36	6.35A	(7.50)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.73)	-INF	-4.90	0% 0%	70.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.47	.13	-3.82	-4.90	-2.77	-4.67 66% 79%	1.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.16	.07	-.84	-2.77	1.44	-2.97 90% 78%	-1.9%	2 Limited
3	1.43	.03	3.92	1.44	6.42	1.43 86% 95%	7.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.40	.05	(7.50)	6.42	+INF	6.41 88% 58%	-25.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .35 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.80)	0 Unscorable
1	1	402	5	-3.22	-2.08	.23	.15	-4.94A	-3.73	1 Minimal
2	2	3381	41	.47	.65	.58	.54	-3.21A	-.33	2 Limited
3	3	4060	49	3.99	3.59	.66	.58	1.83A	4.43	3 Adequate
4	4	427	5	6.91	8.79	.49	.44	6.32A	(7.78)	4 Superior

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.80)	-INF	-4.92		0%	0%	72.9	0 Unscorable
1	-4.59	.13	-3.73	-4.92	-2.56	-4.73	87%	84%	-1.0%	1 Minimal
2	-2.86	.06	-.33	-2.56	2.17	-2.72	89%	77%	1.8%	2 Limited
3	2.18	.03	4.43	2.17	6.70	2.18	81%	91%	5.9%	3 Adequate
4	6.67	.05	(7.78)	6.70	+INF	6.68	70%	62%	-32.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .43 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.84)	0 Unscorable
1	1	443	5	-3.21	-2.04	.19	.12	-5.08A	-3.67	1 Minimal
2	2	3135	38	.33	.59	.48	.41	-3.12A	-.35	2 Limited
3	3	4436	54	4.03	3.55	.58	.53	1.54A	4.53	3 Adequate
4	4	256	3	7.33	11.46	.42	.31	6.66A	(8.19)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.84)	-INF	-4.93		0%	0%	73.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.65	.13	-3.67	-4.93	-2.44	-4.77	97%	85%	-1.2%	1 Minimal
2	-2.69	.06	-.35	-2.44	1.98	-2.58	91%	85%	.8%	2 Limited
3	1.97	.03	4.53	1.98	7.11	1.97	87%	94%	7.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.09	.06	(8.19)	7.11	+INF	7.10	69%	48%	-47.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .37 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.86)	0 Unscorable
1	1	453	5	-3.16	-2.01	.22	.15	-5.04A	-3.67	1 Minimal
2	2	3183	38	.35	.61	.45	.39	-3.03A	-.31	2 Limited
3	3	4260	52	4.01	3.55	.56	.50	1.65A	4.41	3 Adequate
4	4	374	5	7.04	9.40	.47	.40	6.42A	(7.90)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.86)	-INF	-4.94		0%	0%	72.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.67	.13	-3.67	-4.94	-2.42	-4.78	95%	81%	-.9%	1 Minimal
2	-2.66	.06	-.31	-2.42	2.02	-2.56	90%	83%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.02	.03	4.41	2.02	6.81	2.02	86%	92%	6.2%	3 Adequate
4	6.79	.05	(7.90)	6.81	+INF	6.80	65%	65%	-37.0%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .09 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.81)	0 Unscorable
1	1	403	5	-3.09	-2.09	.31	.23	-4.69A	-3.71	1 Minimal
2	2	2861	35	.29	.43	.73	.71	-2.91A	-.54	2 Limited
3	3	4257	51	3.60	3.32	.88	.86	1.61A	3.89	3 Adequate
4	4	749	9	6.20	7.04	.65	.57	5.99A	(7.19)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.81)	-INF -4.91	0% 0%	71.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.60	.13	-3.71	-4.91 -2.54	80% 77%	-.3%	1 Minimal
2	-2.82	.06	-.54	-2.54 1.70	76% 78%	-.5%	2 Limited
3	1.70	.03	3.89	1.70 6.12	79% 80%	6.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.08	.04	(7.19)	6.12 +INF	63% 54%	-18.8%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
1	22056	8487	.38A	.02	.71 -9.9	.61 -9.9	.88	-.02	P1D1 0
2	21716	8487	.44A	.02	.56 -9.9	.46 -9.9	.91	.00	P1D2 0
3	21437	8487	.68A	.02	.50 -9.9	.39 -9.9	.90	.02	P1D3 0
4	21806	8487	.51A	.02	.52 -9.9	.41 -9.9	.91	-.02	P1D4 0
5	21470	8487	.63A	.02	.65 -9.9	.55 -9.9	.89	.01	P1D5 0
6	DELETED								P2D1C 0
MEAN	21697.	8487.	.53	.02	.59 -9.9	.48 -9.9			
S.D.	228.	1.	.11	.00	.08 .0	.08 .0			

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .38 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.71)	0 Unscorable
1	1	340	4	-3.20	-1.96	.47	.34	-4.76A	-3.95	1 Minimal
2	2	3102	37	.21	.26	.88	.84	-3.90A	-.86	2 Limited
3	3	4668	55	3.95	3.82	.87	.75	1.36A	4.71	3 Adequate
4	4	377	4	7.94	8.86	.50	.30	7.29A	(8.77)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.71)	-INF -4.93	0% 0%	78.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.38	.13	-3.95	-4.93 -2.99	76% 72%	17.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.52	.07	-.86	-2.99 1.75	77% 78%	-.2%	2 Limited
3	1.74	.03	4.71	1.75 7.68	83% 85%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.67	.06	(8.77)	7.68 +INF	77% 46%	-22.1%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .44 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.71)	0 Unscorable
1	1	348	4	-3.38	-1.94	.31	.19	-4.82A	-3.94	1 Minimal
2	2	3477	41	.32	.44	.67	.58	-3.93A	-.66	2 Limited
3	3	4234	50	4.17	3.98	.69	.58	1.68A	4.82	3 Adequate
4	4	428	5	7.93	8.37	.46	.31	7.08A	(8.62)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.71)	-INF -4.92	0% 0%	80.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.38	.13	-3.94	-4.92 -2.96	86% 79%	16.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.49	.07	-.66	-2.96 2.12	87% 79%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	2.12	.03	4.82	2.12 7.53	81% 91%	1.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.52	.06	(8.62)	7.53 +INF	86% 46%	-18.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .68 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.75)	0 Unscorable
1	1	392	5	-3.39	-1.91	.26	.14	-5.15A	-3.89	1 Minimal
2	2	3399	40	.28	.45	.59	.45	-3.98A	-.60	2 Limited
3	3	4537	53	4.38	4.04	.64	.55	1.38A	5.25	3 Adequate
4	4	159	2	8.49	13.07	.50	.29	7.75A	(9.53)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.75)	-INF -4.93	0% 0%	81.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.47	.12	-3.89	-4.93 -2.85	96% 78%	14.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.30	.06	-.60	-2.85 2.07	90% 83%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	2.06	.03	5.25	2.07 8.44	86% 94%	2.8%	3 Adequate
4	8.43	.07	(9.53)	8.44 +INF	67% 38%	-46.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .51 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.74)	0 Unscorable
1	1	389	5	-3.39	-1.92	.26	.13	-4.97A	-3.88	1 Minimal
2	2	3170	37	.15	.35	.59	.46	-3.81A	-.70	2 Limited
3	3	4635	55	4.19	3.89	.66	.57	1.35A	4.90	3 Adequate
4	4	293	3	7.93	9.72	.62	.42	7.43A	(9.04)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.74)	-INF -4.92		0% 0%	81.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.46	.12	-3.88	-4.92 -2.85	-4.68	89% 73%	15.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.30	.06	-.70	-2.85 1.87	-3.08	84% 83%	-.1%	2 Limited
3	1.86	.03	4.90	1.87 7.95	1.86	86% 89%	3.3%	3 Adequate
4	7.94	.06	(9.04)	7.95 +INF	7.94	65% 51%	-28.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .63 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.82)	0 Unscorable
1	1	489	6	-3.07	-1.85	.38	.26	-5.23A	-3.76	1 Minimal
2	2	3291	39	.44	.50	.74	.62	-3.54A	-.42	2 Limited
3	3	4429	52	4.24	4.00	.81	.74	1.42A	5.02	3 Adequate
4	4	278	3	7.72	9.89	.73	.52	7.35A	(9.08)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.82)	-INF -4.93		0% 0%	83.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.60	.12	-3.76	-4.93 -2.60	-4.75	90% 59%	11.8%	1 Minimal
2	-2.91	.06	-.42	-2.60 2.06	-2.77	80% 77%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	2.05	.03	5.02	2.06 7.99	2.05	81% 88%	2.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.98	.06	(9.08)	7.99 +INF	7.98	55% 46%	-29.6%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD	CORR.			
1	23965	8823	-.17A	.03	.60	-9.9	.48	-9.9	.88	-.06	P1D1	0
2	23434	8823	-.04A	.02	.55	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.90	-.01	P1D2	0
3	22774	8823	.32A	.03	.50	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.90	.05	P1D3	0
4	23115	8823	.18A	.02	.53	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D4	0
5	23118	8823	.16A	.02	.63	-9.9	.49	-9.9	.89	.00	P1D5	0
MEAN	23281.	8823.	.09	.02	.56	-9.9	.43	-9.9				
S.D.	401.	1.	.17	.00	.05	.0	.05	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.17 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.19)	0 Unscorable
1	1	240	3	-3.90	-2.61	.37	.29	-4.63A	-4.52	1 Minimal
2	2	2464	28	-.60	-.38	.75	.68	-4.07A	-1.65	2 Limited
3	3	5679	64	3.67	3.51	.75	.65	1.03A	4.19	3 Adequate
4	4	440	5	7.95	8.71	.45	.20	7.68A	(8.61)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.19)	-INF	-5.44	0% 0%	65.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.80	.14	-4.52	-5.44	-3.62	85% 73%	13.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.24	.08	-1.65	-3.62	.87	85% 75%	-2.7%	2 Limited
3	.86	.04	4.19	.87	7.51	87% 94%	4.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.51	.06	(8.61)	7.51	+INF	86% 55%	-20.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.04 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.23)	0 Unscorable
1	1	281	3	-3.96	-2.55	.27	.16	-4.86A	-4.47	1 Minimal
2	2	2979	34	-.26	-.07	.65	.51	-3.99A	-1.27	2 Limited
3	3	5057	57	3.93	3.74	.67	.57	1.48A	4.39	3 Adequate
4	4	506	6	7.71	8.16	.51	.30	7.37A	(8.43)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.23)	-INF	-5.45	0% 0%	66.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.90	.14	-4.47	-5.45	-3.50	81% 80%	11.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.03	.07	-1.27	-3.50	1.44	86% 80%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	1.44	.04	4.39	1.44	7.34	87% 91%	2.2%	3 Adequate
4	7.33	.05	(8.43)	7.34	+INF	74% 78%	-16.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .32 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.31)	0 Unscorable
1	1	349	4	-3.87	-2.48	.26	.13	-5.37A	-4.38	1 Minimal
2	2	3152	36	-.10	.10	.59	.39	-4.02A	-1.00	2 Limited
3	3	5167	59	4.27	3.92	.65	.57	1.34A	5.02	3 Adequate
4	4	155	2	8.43	14.61	.50	.27	8.05A	(9.47)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.31)	-INF	-5.46	0% 0%	68.7	0 Unscorable
1	-5.05	.13	-4.38	-5.46	-3.30	96% 76%	9.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.70	.07	-1.00	-3.30	1.67	91% 79%	2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.66	.03	5.02	1.67	8.37	87% 96%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	8.37	.07	(9.47)	8.37	+INF	56% 41%	-51.3%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .18 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.30)	0 Unscorable
1	1	355	4	-3.84	-2.49	.26	.14	-5.23A	-4.35	1 Minimal
2	2	2912	33	-.22	-.01	.59	.40	-3.83A	-1.09	2 Limited
3	3	5288	60	4.09	3.80	.70	.62	1.26A	4.72	3 Adequate
4	4	268	3	8.07	10.74	.57	.30	7.81A	(9.09)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.30)	-INF -5.45	0% 0%	69.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.05	.13	-4.35	-5.45 -3.27	94% 73%	8.9%	1 Minimal
2	-3.65	.07	-1.09	-3.27 1.45	85% 81%	.7%	2 Limited
3	1.44	.04	4.72	1.45 7.99	88% 92%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.99	.06	(9.09)	7.99 +INF	58% 61%	-34.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .16 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.38)	0 Unscorable
1	1	436	5	-3.55	-2.41	.37	.25	-5.34A	-4.24	1 Minimal
2	2	2862	32	-.07	.06	.69	.51	-3.46A	-.90	2 Limited
3	3	5142	58	4.00	3.78	.81	.76	1.31A	4.56	3 Adequate
4	4	383	4	7.65	9.05	.67	.41	7.49A	(8.75)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.38)	-INF -5.47	0% 0%	69.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.18	.13	-4.24	-5.47 -3.03	84% 82%	7.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.30	.06	-.90	-3.03 1.49	82% 75%	.9%	2 Limited
3	1.47	.04	4.56	1.49 7.66	84% 90%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.65	.06	(8.75)	7.66 +INF	63% 46%	-23.6%	4 Superior

Grade 9 Matrix Prompt 3 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
1	22849	8546	.04A	.03	.61	-9.9	.48	-.07	P1D1 0
2	22148	8546	.24A	.03	.54	-9.9	.41	.01	P1D2 0
3	21808	8546	.51A	.03	.51	-9.9	.37	.04	P1D3 0
4	22209	8546	.32A	.03	.52	-9.9	.37	-.01	P1D4 0
5	21966	8546	.37A	.02	.67	-9.9	.53	.02	P1D5 0
MEAN	22196.	8546.	.30	.03	.57	-9.9	.43		
S.D.	356.	0.	.16	.00	.06	.0	.07		

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .04 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.21)	0 Unscorable
1	1	258	3	-3.81	-2.56	.37	.28	-4.91A	-4.46	1 Minimal
2	2	2677	31	-.34	-.15	.75	.68	-4.08A	-1.35	2 Limited
3	3	5207	61	3.95	3.79	.77	.64	1.24A	4.54	3 Adequate
4	4	404	5	8.24	8.86	.45	.21	7.76A	(8.90)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ---ZONE---			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.21)	-INF	-5.43		0%	0%	63.0	0 Unscorable
1	-4.87	.14	-4.46	-5.43	-3.50	-5.15	83%	72%	11.1%	1 Minimal
2	-4.04	.08	-1.35	-3.50	1.29	-3.76	85%	75%	-2.4%	2 Limited
3	1.28	.04	4.54	1.29	7.80	1.28	85%	94%	4.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.80	.06	(8.90)	7.80	+INF	7.80	89%	52%	-19.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .24 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.27)	0 Unscorable
1	1	311	4	-3.83	-2.48	.29	.16	-5.24A	-4.39	1 Minimal
2	2	3262	38	.05	.20	.65	.51	-4.02A	-.91	2 Limited
3	3	4579	54	4.30	4.10	.66	.54	1.68A	4.87	3 Adequate
4	4	394	5	8.23	8.86	.46	.27	7.57A	(8.91)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.27)	-INF	-5.45		0%	0%	64.0	0 Unscorable
1	-5.00	.14	-4.39	-5.45	-3.34	-5.21	86%	77%	9.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.78	.07	-.91	-3.34	1.92	-3.57	88%	80%	2.0%	2 Limited
3	1.92	.04	4.87	1.92	7.82	1.92	84%	93%	1.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.81	.06	(8.91)	7.82	+INF	7.81	89%	54%	-19.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .51 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.34)	0 Unscorable
1	1	364	4	-3.80	-2.42	.26	.13	-5.62A	-4.32	1 Minimal
2	2	3221	38	.07	.24	.60	.40	-4.04A	-.79	2 Limited
3	3	4842	57	4.51	4.16	.67	.58	1.41A	5.34	3 Adequate
4	4	119	1	8.75	16.60	.53	.27	8.25A	(9.86)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.34)	-INF	-5.47		0%	0%	65.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.11	.14	-4.32	-5.47	-3.19	-5.27	98%	75%	7.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.53	.07	-.79	-3.19	1.93	-3.37	90%	83%	1.8%	2 Limited
3	1.92	.04	5.34	1.93	8.76	1.92	88%	94%	2.8%	3 Adequate
4	8.76	.07	(9.86)	8.76	+INF	8.76	56%	47%	-55.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .32 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.33)	0 Unscorable
1	1	363	4	-3.74	-2.44	.29	.16	-5.42A	-4.31	1 Minimal
2	2	2970	35	-.10	.13	.57	.39	-3.83A	-.90	2 Limited
3	3	4946	58	4.30	4.01	.66	.57	1.36A	4.95	3 Adequate
4	4	267	3	8.32	10.52	.57	.31	7.89A	(9.31)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.33)	-INF	-5.46		0%	0%	65.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.10	.14	-4.31	-5.46	-3.17	-5.26	92%	71%	7.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.51	.07	-.90	-3.17	1.69	-3.36	84%	84%	.2%	2 Limited
3	1.68	.04	4.95	1.69	8.21	1.68	89%	91%	3.2%	3 Adequate
4	8.21	.07	(9.31)	8.21	+INF	8.21	60%	53%	-31.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .37 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.39)	0 Unscorable
1	1	425	5	-3.46	-2.37	.41	.26	-5.57A	-4.23	1 Minimal
2	2	3140	37	.20	.27	.76	.59	-3.62A	-.66	2 Limited
3	3	4663	55	4.31	4.11	.84	.76	1.53A	4.97	3 Adequate
4	4	318	4	7.96	9.69	.67	.43	7.66A	(9.13)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.39)	-INF	-5.48		0%	0%	65.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.20	.14	-4.23	-5.48	-2.99	-5.32	90%	59%	6.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.25	.06	-.66	-2.99	1.91	-3.14	81%	77%	2.0%	2 Limited
3	1.90	.04	4.97	1.91	8.03	1.90	82%	90%	1.9%	3 Adequate
4	8.03	.06	(9.13)	8.03	+INF	8.03	61%	46%	-25.8%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
1	25290	9087	-.76A	.03	.54	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.89	-.08	P1D1	0
2	24664	9087	-.58A	.02	.57	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	-.03	P1D2	0
3	23875	9087	-.15A	.03	.55	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.89	.04	P1D3	0
4	24011	9087	-.25A	.03	.53	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.90	.02	P1D4	0
5	23612	9087	-.14A	.02	.68	-9.9	.52	-9.9	.89	.04	P1D5	0
MEAN	24290.	9087.	-.38	.03	.57	-9.9	.43	-9.9				
S.D.	608.	0.	.25	.00	.05	.0	.05	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.76 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.02)	0 Unscorable
1	1	213	2	-4.68	-3.55	.31	.25	-4.94A	-5.23	1 Minimal
2	2	2138	24	-1.19	-.87	.66	.60	-4.00A	-2.23	2 Limited
3	3	6143	68	3.34	3.20	.67	.60	.99A	3.71	3 Adequate
4	4	593	7	7.78	8.05	.46	.21	7.95A	(8.29)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.02)	-INF -6.23	0% 0%	52.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.70	.15	-5.23	-6.23 -4.26	87% 81%	5.1%	1 Minimal
2	-4.76	.08	-2.23	-4.26 .25	84% 79%	-3.5%	2 Limited
3	.23	.04	3.71	.25 7.19	92% 93%	3.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.19	.05	(8.29)	7.19 +INF	80% 88%	-14.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.58 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.07)	0 Unscorable
1	1	245	3	-4.72	-3.45	.23	.13	-5.21A	-5.19	1 Minimal
2	2	2728	30	-.69	-.47	.69	.56	-4.01A	-1.81	2 Limited
3	3	5493	60	3.60	3.46	.70	.59	1.52A	4.03	3 Adequate
4	4	621	7	7.66	7.82	.48	.26	7.70A	(8.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.07)	-INF -6.24	0% 0%	53.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.79	.15	-5.19	-6.24 -4.15	96% 78%	4.3%	1 Minimal
2	-4.59	.08	-1.81	-4.15 .95	84% 81%	.1%	2 Limited
3	.94	.04	4.03	.95 7.13	89% 91%	2.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.12	.05	(8.22)	7.13 +INF	78% 82%	-12.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.15 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.21)	0 Unscorable
1	1	349	4	-4.48	-3.28	.26	.14	-5.87A	-5.03	1 Minimal
2	2	2864	32	-.48	-.26	.62	.38	-3.89A	-1.43	2 Limited
3	3	5698	63	4.00	3.65	.73	.66	1.32A	4.73	3 Adequate
4	4	176	2	8.14	14.86	.64	.36	8.44A	(9.39)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.21) -INF -6.29		0% 0%	55.1	0 Unscorable
1	-6.02	.15	-5.03 -6.29 -3.78	-6.14	98% 77%	2.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.04	.07	-1.43 -3.78 1.18	-3.93	89% 79%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	1.17	.03	4.73 1.18 8.29	1.18	88% 95%	3.6%	3 Adequate
4	8.29	.07	(9.39) 8.29 +INF	8.29	42% 34%	-50.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.25 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.22)	0 Unscorable
1	1	367	4	-4.43	-3.23	.26	.14	-5.79A	-5.00	1 Minimal
2	2	2840	31	-.49	-.25	.57	.36	-3.71A	-1.39	2 Limited
3	3	5556	61	3.91	3.61	.69	.62	1.42A	4.50	3 Adequate
4	4	324	4	8.02	10.46	.58	.31	8.08A	(8.93)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.22) -INF -6.30		0% 0%	55.1	0 Unscorable
1	-6.04	.15	-5.00 -6.30 -3.72	-6.15	96% 71%	3.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.96	.07	-1.39 -3.72 1.18	-3.86	86% 78%	.9%	2 Limited
3	1.17	.04	4.50 1.18 7.83	1.17	87% 93%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.83	.06	(8.93) 7.83 +INF	7.83	60% 66%	-31.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.14 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.31)	0 Unscorable
1	1	460	5	-3.99	-3.07	.45	.31	-6.02A	-4.87	1 Minimal
2	2	3127	34	-.08	.01	.73	.51	-3.43A	-1.01	2 Limited
3	3	5102	56	3.98	3.76	.83	.80	1.68A	4.59	3 Adequate
4	4	398	4	7.68	9.31	.68	.45	7.77A	(8.73)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.31)	-INF -6.33		0% 0%	55.7	0 Unscorable
1	-6.16	.15	-4.87	-6.33 -3.41	-6.23	84% 78%	2.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.57	.06	-1.01	-3.41 1.55	-3.51	78% 84%	3.0%	2 Limited
3	1.54	.03	4.59	1.55 7.64	1.54	87% 85%	1.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.63	.06	(8.73)	7.64 +INF	7.63	60% 54%	-24.0%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	24738	9121	-.35A	.03	.57	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.88	-.09	P1D1	0
2	23747	9121	-.08A	.02	.59	-9.9	.45	-9.9	.90	.00	P1D2	0
3	23149	9121	.29A	.02	.54	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.90	.04	P1D3	0
4	23424	9121	.13A	.02	.53	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.90	.02	P1D4	0
5	23216	9121	.17A	.02	.67	-9.9	.53	-9.9	.89	.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	23655.	9121.	.03	.02	.58	-9.9	.44	-9.9				
S.D.	580.	0.	.23	.00	.05	.0	.05	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.35 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.60)	0 Unscorable
1	1	252	3	-4.36	-3.07	.28	.24	-4.89A	-4.89	1 Minimal
2	2	2542	28	-.85	-.58	.69	.67	-4.18A	-1.90	2 Limited
3	3	5906	65	3.61	3.44	.71	.62	1.02A	4.19	3 Adequate
4	4	421	5	8.08	8.76	.49	.22	8.05A	(8.80)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.60)	-INF -5.84		0% 0%	66.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.24	.14	-4.89	-5.84 -3.95	-5.55	82% 82%	11.6%	1 Minimal
2	-4.53	.08	-1.90	-3.95 .68	-4.23	84% 80%	-3.3%	2 Limited
3	.67	.04	4.19	.68 7.70	.67	88% 93%	4.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.70	.06	(8.80)	7.70 +INF	7.70	83% 47%	-19.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.08 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.68)	0 Unscorable
1	1	324	4	-4.25	-2.94	.30	.17	-5.33A	-4.80	1 Minimal
2	2	3383	37	-.23	-.08	.70	.56	-4.11A	-1.28	2 Limited
3	3	4999	55	4.04	3.85	.72	.60	1.67A	4.64	3 Adequate
4	4	415	5	7.99	8.72	.52	.30	7.77A	(8.79)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.68) -INF -5.86		0% 0%	68.1	0 Unscorable
1	-5.41	.13	-4.80 -5.86 -3.75	-5.62	77% 81%	9.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.19	.07	-1.28 -3.75 1.59	-3.98	86% 79%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	1.59	.03	4.64 1.59 7.70	1.59	84% 91%	1.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.69	.06	(8.79) 7.70 +INF	7.69	81% 47%	-19.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.79)	0 Unscorable
1	1	437	5	-4.10	-2.81	.28	.14	-5.88A	-4.64	1 Minimal
2	2	3468	38	-.07	.09	.62	.42	-3.98A	-.96	2 Limited
3	3	5088	56	4.34	4.01	.69	.60	1.47A	5.22	3 Adequate
4	4	128	1	8.54	15.64	.58	.33	8.39A	(9.78)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.79) -INF -5.88		0% 0%	71.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.59	.13	-4.64 -5.88 -3.41	-5.71	98% 76%	7.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.69	.06	-.96 -3.41 1.77	-3.57	90% 80%	2.2%	2 Limited
3	1.76	.03	5.22 1.77 8.68	1.76	86% 95%	2.3%	3 Adequate
4	8.68	.07	(9.78) 8.68 +INF	8.68	47% 35%	-53.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .13 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.81)	0 Unscorable
1	1	447	5	-4.09	-2.80	.26	.13	-5.75A	-4.64	1 Minimal
2	2	3304	36	-.14	.02	.60	.43	-3.78A	-1.01	2 Limited
3	3	5111	56	4.18	3.90	.68	.59	1.49A	4.90	3 Adequate
4	4	259	3	8.23	10.65	.59	.35	8.04A	(9.27)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.81) -INF -5.90		0% 0%	69.8	0 Unscorable
1	-5.62	.13	-4.64 -5.90 -3.39	-5.74	95% 72%	7.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.65	.06	-1.01 -3.39 1.63	-3.54	86% 81%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	1.62	.03	4.90 1.63 8.17	1.62	87% 92%	2.3%	3 Adequate
4	8.17	.07	(9.27) 8.17 +INF	8.17	63% 59%	-32.1%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .17 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.87)	0 Unscorable
1	1	532	6	-3.72	-2.70	.44	.31	-5.88A	-4.52	1 Minimal
2	2	3418	37	.11	.16	.75	.58	-3.50A	-.76	2 Limited
3	3	4836	53	4.17	3.98	.82	.76	1.63A	4.86	3 Adequate
4	4	335	4	7.90	9.39	.65	.40	7.75A	(9.02)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.87) -INF -5.91		0% 0%	70.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.71	.13	-4.52 -5.91 -3.14	-5.79	84% 82%	6.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.33	.06	-.76 -3.14 1.81	-3.25	84% 72%	2.6%	2 Limited
3	1.80	.03	4.86 1.81 7.93	1.80	81% 91%	1.2%	3 Adequate
4	7.92	.06	(9.02) 7.93 +INF	7.92	68% 48%	-24.2%	4 Superior

Grade 9 Matrix Prompt 6 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	23160	8567	-.11A	.03	.63	-9.9	.52	-9.9	.88	-.04	P1D1	0
2	22861	8567	-.04A	.02	.56	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.90	-.01	P1D2	0
3	22833	8567	.05A	.03	.48	-9.9	.36	-9.9	.90	-.01	P1D3	0
4	22633	8567	.06A	.02	.52	-9.9	.40	-9.9	.91	.00	P1D4	0
5	21998	8567	.29A	.02	.70	-9.9	.57	-9.9	.89	.05	P1D5	0
MEAN	22697.	8567.	.05	.02	.58	-9.9	.46	-9.9				
S.D.	388.	1.	.14	.00	.08	.0	.08	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.11 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.05)	0 Unscorable
1	1	249	3	-3.81	-2.45	.35	.27	-4.54A	-4.42	1 Minimal
2	2	2459	29	-.53	-.37	.78	.68	-4.06A	-1.60	2 Limited
3	3	5443	64	3.63	3.47	.79	.71	1.00A	4.19	3 Adequate
4	4	416	5	7.80	8.81	.52	.28	7.60A	(8.59)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.05) -INF -5.32		0% 0%	67.8	0 Unscorable
1	-4.65	.14	-4.42 -5.32 -3.53	-5.01	78% 77%	16.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.17	.08	-1.60 -3.53 .90	-3.82	77% 80%	-1.6%	2 Limited
3	.89	.04	4.19 .90 7.49	.90	89% 89%	3.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.49	.06	(8.59) 7.49 +INF	7.49	78% 61%	-21.7%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.04 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.09)	0 Unscorable
1	1	281	3	-3.83	-2.41	.30	.19	-4.70A	-4.38	1 Minimal
2	2	2746	32	-.36	-.17	.67	.54	-3.97A	-1.35	2 Limited
3	3	5072	59	3.78	3.59	.70	.61	1.28A	4.30	3 Adequate
4	4	468	5	7.76	8.33	.49	.29	7.39A	(8.45)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.09)	-INF -5.33	0% 0%	68.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.74	.14	-4.38	-5.33 -3.44	86% 75%	15.1%	1 Minimal
2	-4.01	.07	-1.35	-3.44 1.25	85% 79%	.3%	2 Limited
3	1.24	.04	4.30	1.25 7.36	86% 92%	2.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.35	.06	(8.45)	7.36 +INF	83% 58%	-18.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.10)	0 Unscorable
1	1	290	3	-3.89	-2.41	.24	.14	-4.81A	-4.36	1 Minimal
2	2	2568	30	-.53	-.25	.57	.41	-4.00A	-1.42	2 Limited
3	3	5429	63	3.84	3.56	.64	.58	1.00A	4.46	3 Adequate
4	4	280	3	8.21	10.67	.45	.20	7.81A	(8.96)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.10)	-INF -5.33	0% 0%	69.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.76	.14	-4.36	-5.33 -3.41	94% 80%	14.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.95	.07	-1.42	-3.41 1.07	86% 86%	-.9%	2 Limited
3	1.05	.04	4.46	1.07 7.86	92% 92%	3.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.86	.06	(8.96)	7.86 +INF	70% 82%	-34.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .06 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.18)	0 Unscorable
1	1	360	4	-3.70	-2.34	.30	.17	-4.97A	-4.27	1 Minimal
2	2	2778	32	-.28	-.05	.56	.40	-3.69A	-1.12	2 Limited
3	3	4999	58	3.91	3.65	.65	.60	1.29A	4.40	3 Adequate
4	4	430	5	7.60	8.61	.62	.40	7.38A	(8.54)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.18)	-INF	-5.34	0% 0%	69.6	0 Unscorable
1	-4.91	.13	-4.27	-5.34	-3.22	-5.11 94% 64%	12.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.63	.07	-1.12	-3.22	1.36	-3.43 86% 79%	.7%	2 Limited
3	1.35	.04	4.40	1.36	7.45	1.35 85% 93%	2.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.44	.06	(8.54)	7.45	+INF	7.44 66% 50%	-20.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.26)	0 Unscorable
1	1	452	5	-3.30	-2.26	.48	.35	-5.34A	-4.16	1 Minimal
2	2	3129	37	.18	.24	.75	.56	-3.56A	-.73	2 Limited
3	3	4656	54	4.08	3.85	.88	.86	1.50A	4.74	3 Adequate
4	4	330	4	7.50	9.65	.76	.55	7.40A	(8.79)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.26)	-INF	-5.36	0% 0%	71.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.05	.13	-4.16	-5.36	-2.98	-5.19 84% 78%	9.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.27	.06	-.73	-2.98	1.80	-3.14 78% 82%	2.9%	2 Limited
3	1.79	.03	4.74	1.80	7.70	1.79 85% 83%	1.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.69	.06	(8.79)	7.70	+INF	7.69 46% 45%	-28.2%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE	DISPLACE	Domain	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD	CORR.			
1	23821	8677	-.53A	.03	.57	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.89	-.03	P1D1	0
2	23530	8677	-.43A	.02	.53	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.91	-.02	P1D2	0
3	23214	8677	-.24A	.03	.49	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D3	0
4	23241	8677	-.31A	.02	.52	-9.9	.41	-9.9	.91	-.01	P1D4	0
5	22337	8677	.04A	.02	.72	-9.9	.60	-9.9	.88	.05	P1D5	0
MEAN	23229.	8677.	-.29	.02	.57	-9.9	.45	-9.9				
S.D.	497.	1.	.19	.00	.08	.0	.08	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.53 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.51)	0 Unscorable
1	1	213	2	-4.32	-3.01	.25	.18	-4.61A	-4.81	1 Minimal
2	2	2312	27	-.77	-.53	.73	.65	-3.95A	-1.91	2 Limited
3	3	5624	65	3.29	3.11	.72	.64	1.11A	3.75	3 Adequate
4	4	528	6	7.50	8.23	.43	.23	7.44A	(8.01)	4 Superior

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.51)	-INF	-5.75	0% 0%	56.7	0 Unscorable
1	-5.14	.15	-4.81	-5.75	-3.89	87% 80%	8.8%	1 Minimal
2	-4.48	.08	-1.91	-3.89	.59	88% 72%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	.58	.04	3.75	.59	6.92	87% 95%	4.0%	3 Adequate
4	6.91	.05	(8.01)	6.92	+INF	6.91 87% 68%	-20.1%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.43 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.57)	0 Unscorable
1	1	260	3	-4.23	-2.94	.26	.17	-4.84A	-4.73	1 Minimal
2	2	2545	29	-.60	-.33	.63	.52	-3.76A	-1.62	2 Limited
3	3	5308	61	3.42	3.22	.66	.58	1.33A	3.87	3 Adequate
4	4	564	6	7.38	7.90	.46	.29	7.26A	(7.93)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.57)	-INF	-5.76	0% 0%	58.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.27	.15	-4.73	-5.76	-3.72	83% 81%	6.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.19	.08	-1.62	-3.72	.91	85% 79%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	.90	.04	3.87	.91	6.84	87% 93%	3.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.83	.05	(7.93)	6.84	+INF	6.83 87% 63%	-17.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.24 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.63)	0 Unscorable
1	1	312	4	-4.10	-2.88	.27	.18	-5.15A	-4.65	1 Minimal
2	2	2499	29	-.59	-.28	.57	.41	-3.66A	-1.49	2 Limited
3	3	5560	64	3.59	3.26	.65	.60	1.13A	4.16	3 Adequate
4	4	306	4	7.86	10.82	.43	.22	7.67A	(8.53)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.63)	-INF	-5.77	0% 0%	59.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.39	.14	-4.65	-5.77	-3.55	95% 77%	5.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.90	.07	-1.49	-3.55	.91	87% 83%	-.7%	2 Limited
3	.89	.04	4.16	.91	7.43	92% 93%	4.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.43	.06	(8.53)	7.43	+INF	7.43 64% 86%	-37.0%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.31 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.69)	0 Unscorable
1	1	363	4	-4.00	-2.80	.27	.16	-5.17A	-4.57	1 Minimal
2	2	2637	30	-.40	-.14	.56	.43	-3.35A	-1.27	2 Limited
3	3	5104	59	3.53	3.29	.67	.62	1.41A	3.95	3 Adequate
4	4	573	7	7.16	7.81	.58	.38	7.11A	(7.90)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.69)	-INF	-5.79		0%	0%	59.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.48	.14	-4.57	-5.79	-3.38	-5.61	96%	67%	4.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.66	.07	-1.27	-3.38	1.11	-3.54	85%	77%	.3%	2 Limited
3	1.10	.03	3.95	1.11	6.81	1.11	84%	93%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	6.80	.05	(7.90)	6.81	+INF	6.80	72%	52%	-17.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .04 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.78)	0 Unscorable
1	1	463	5	-3.53	-2.68	.49	.38	-5.65A	-4.44	1 Minimal
2	2	3076	35	.12	.22	.74	.55	-3.30A	-.81	2 Limited
3	3	4830	56	3.84	3.53	.93	.93	1.58A	4.52	3 Adequate
4	4	308	4	7.05	10.49	.84	.68	7.37A	(8.51)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.78)	-INF	-5.82		0%	0%	61.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.61	.14	-4.44	-5.82	-3.07	-5.69	86%	76%	1.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.26	.06	-.81	-3.07	1.63	-3.18	78%	80%	2.7%	2 Limited
3	1.62	.03	4.52	1.63	7.42	1.62	85%	82%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.41	.06	(8.51)	7.42	+INF	7.41	37%	49%	-35.9%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD			
1	22963	8500	-.18A	.03	.68	-9.9	.55	-9.9	.88	-.02	P1D1 0
2	22965	8500	-.20A	.02	.55	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	-.02	P1D2 0
3	22772	8500	-.05A	.03	.50	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.90	.00	P1D3 0
4	22668	8500	-.05A	.02	.54	-9.9	.41	-9.9	.90	.00	P1D4 0
5	22215	8500	.12A	.02	.69	-9.9	.56	-9.9	.88	.03	P1D5 0
MEAN	22717.	8500.	-.07	.02	.59	-9.9	.47	-9.9			
S.D.	276.	0.	.11	.00	.08	.0	.08	.0			

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.18 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.19)	0 Unscorable
1	1	224	3	-3.88	-2.57	.35	.25	-4.63A	-4.52	1 Minimal
2	2	2520	30	-.30	-.19	.86	.74	-4.04A	-1.54	2 Limited
3	3	5325	63	3.56	3.42	.86	.76	1.24A	4.16	3 Adequate
4	4	431	5	7.63	8.54	.47	.25	7.44A	(8.36)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.19)	-INF	-5.44		0%	0%	57.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.81	.15	-4.52	-5.44	-3.61	-5.14	75%	75%	12.8%	1 Minimal
2	-4.22	.08	-1.54	-3.61	1.07	-3.89	77%	73%	-1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.06	.04	4.16	1.07	7.27	1.06	86%	89%	3.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.26	.06	(8.36)	7.27	+INF	7.26	80%	63%	-22.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.20 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.23)	0 Unscorable
1	1	251	3	-3.90	-2.54	.31	.18	-4.70A	-4.48	1 Minimal
2	2	2564	30	-.37	-.13	.65	.53	-3.86A	-1.43	2 Limited
3	3	5154	61	3.61	3.43	.68	.60	1.33A	4.08	3 Adequate
4	4	531	6	7.44	7.80	.49	.29	7.22A	(8.12)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.23)	-INF	-5.46		0%	0%	57.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.90	.15	-4.48	-5.46	-3.52	-5.18	85%	75%	12.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.06	.08	-1.43	-3.52	1.14	-3.78	84%	79%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	1.13	.04	4.08	1.14	7.03	1.13	86%	93%	2.9%	3 Adequate
4	7.02	.05	(8.12)	7.03	+INF	7.02	86%	55%	-16.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.23)	0 Unscorable
1	1	254	3	-3.96	-2.55	.26	.14	-4.85A	-4.47	1 Minimal
2	2	2482	29	-.48	-.17	.59	.41	-3.98A	-1.46	2 Limited
3	3	5502	65	3.75	3.44	.66	.60	1.09A	4.37	3 Adequate
4	4	262	3	7.99	11.11	.45	.23	7.74A	(8.79)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.23)	-INF	-5.45		0%	0%	58.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.90	.15	-4.47	-5.45	-3.51	-5.18	89%	78%	11.4%	1 Minimal
2	-4.03	.08	-1.46	-3.51	1.05	-3.76	86%	83%	-1.3%	2 Limited
3	1.04	.04	4.37	1.05	7.69	1.05	92%	92%	4.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.69	.06	(8.79)	7.69	+INF	7.69	64%	83%	-38.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.30)	0 Unscorable
1	1	311	4	-3.81	-2.49	.28	.15	-4.99A	-4.38	1 Minimal
2	2	2611	31	-.29	-.02	.58	.41	-3.67A	-1.22	2 Limited
3	3	5177	61	3.77	3.49	.69	.63	1.29A	4.28	3 Adequate
4	4	401	5	7.41	8.81	.63	.40	7.37A	(8.42)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.30)	-INF	-5.46		0%	0%	59.0	0 Unscorable
1	-5.04	.15	-4.38	-5.46	-3.32	-5.24	91%	65%	9.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.72	.07	-1.22	-3.32	1.25	-3.53	84%	77%	-.3%	2 Limited
3	1.24	.04	4.28	1.25	7.33	1.25	86%	92%	3.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.32	.06	(8.42)	7.33	+INF	7.32	63%	54%	-24.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .12 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.38)	0 Unscorable
1	1	380	4	-3.41	-2.41	.49	.34	-5.29A	-4.29	1 Minimal
2	2	2848	34	.06	.19	.73	.54	-3.53A	-.92	2 Limited
3	3	4949	58	3.89	3.62	.89	.86	1.43A	4.53	3 Adequate
4	4	323	4	7.23	9.73	.77	.57	7.39A	(8.61)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE-----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.38)	-INF	-5.49		0%	0%	59.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.17	.14	-4.29	-5.49	-3.11	-5.31	79%	78%	7.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.41	.07	-.92	-3.11	1.56	-3.28	84%	66%	1.1%	2 Limited
3	1.55	.03	4.53	1.56	7.52	1.55	80%	90%	3.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.51	.06	(8.61)	7.52	+INF	7.51	44%	47%	-30.9%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	22511	8441	-.11A	.02	.75	-9.9	.63	-9.9	.88	.00	P1D1	0
2	22829	8441	-.23A	.02	.55	-9.9	.45	-9.9	.90	-.03	P1D2	0
3	22434	8441	-.01A	.03	.50	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D3	0
4	22589	8441	-.09A	.02	.53	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.91	-.02	P1D4	0
5	21872	8441	.16A	.02	.69	-9.9	.58	-9.9	.89	.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	22447.	8441.	-.06	.02	.60	-9.9	.49	-9.9				
S.D.	317.	1.	.13	.00	.10	.0	.10	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.11 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRG	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.10)	0 Unscorable
1	1	256	3	-3.46	-2.37	.55	.39	-4.63A	-4.39	1 Minimal
2	2	2783	33	-.09	-.03	.90	.79	-3.92A	-1.32	2 Limited
3	3	4919	58	3.53	3.39	.91	.83	1.43A	4.17	3 Adequate
4	4	483	6	7.37	8.21	.52	.35	7.12A	(8.11)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.10)	-INF -5.34	0% 0%	59.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.74	.15	-4.39	-5.34 -3.45	77% 64%	14.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.03	.08	-1.32	-3.45 1.32	78% 71%	-.5%	2 Limited
3	1.32	.03	4.17	1.32 7.02	82% 89%	3.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.01	.05	(8.11)	7.02 +INF	79% 61%	-20.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.23 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRG	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.04)	0 Unscorable
1	1	214	3	-3.94	-2.43	.25	.14	-4.38A	-4.44	1 Minimal
2	2	2634	31	-.41	-.16	.65	.56	-4.04A	-1.53	2 Limited
3	3	5025	60	3.50	3.31	.68	.59	1.36A	3.99	3 Adequate
4	4	568	7	7.30	7.64	.49	.33	7.07A	(7.94)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.04)	-INF -5.33	0% 0%	58.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.61	.15	-4.44	-5.33 -3.57	93% 71%	15.7%	1 Minimal
2	-4.27	.08	-1.53	-3.57 1.13	83% 82%	-1.4%	2 Limited
3	1.13	.04	3.99	1.13 6.85	86% 91%	3.5%	3 Adequate
4	6.84	.05	(7.94)	6.85 +INF	85% 56%	-15.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.01 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.10)	0 Unscorable
1	1	261	3	-3.82	-2.39	.28	.17	-4.74A	-4.37	1 Minimal
2	2	2641	31	-.40	-.10	.57	.42	-3.97A	-1.37	2 Limited
3	3	5265	62	3.73	3.38	.66	.60	1.18A	4.35	3 Adequate
4	4	274	3	7.81	11.05	.47	.28	7.54A	(8.63)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.10)	-INF -5.33	0% 0%	60.4	0 Unscorable
1	-4.75	.14	-4.37	-5.33 -3.42	92% 75%	13.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.98	.07	-1.37	-3.42 1.18	87% 83%	-1.3%	2 Limited
3	1.17	.03	4.35	1.18 7.54	91% 92%	4.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.53	.06	(8.63)	7.54 +INF 7.53	60% 82%	-38.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.09 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.15)	0 Unscorable
1	1	307	4	-3.70	-2.37	.30	.18	-4.77A	-4.29	1 Minimal
2	2	2590	31	-.34	-.06	.57	.44	-3.63A	-1.25	2 Limited
3	3	5074	60	3.61	3.35	.67	.61	1.26A	4.11	3 Adequate
4	4	470	6	7.30	8.28	.59	.40	7.14A	(8.15)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.15)	-INF -5.33	0% 0%	61.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.86	.14	-4.29	-5.33 -3.28	92% 63%	11.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.72	.07	-1.25	-3.28 1.18	82% 81%	-1.3%	2 Limited
3	1.17	.04	4.11	1.18 7.06	87% 91%	3.9%	3 Adequate
4	7.05	.05	(8.15)	7.06 +INF 7.05	71% 56%	-21.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .16 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.26)	0 Unscorable
1	1	409	5	-3.23	-2.27	.51	.38	-5.21A	-4.17	1 Minimal
2	2	2981	35	.14	.26	.74	.59	-3.44A	-.80	2 Limited
3	3	4703	56	3.83	3.55	.86	.83	1.49A	4.48	3 Adequate
4	4	348	4	7.18	9.57	.72	.57	7.15A	(8.41)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.26)	-INF -5.37		0% 0%	62.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.05	.14	-4.17	-5.37 -2.99	-5.19	82% 73%	7.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.28	.06	-.80	-2.99 1.66	-3.15	83% 66%	1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.65	.03	4.48	1.66 7.32	1.65	79% 89%	3.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.31	.06	(8.41)	7.32 +INF	7.31	49% 52%	-30.8%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFINIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	23193	8493	-.04A	.02	.67	-9.9	.55	-9.9	.88	-.01	P1D1	0
2	23582	8493	-.21A	.02	.54	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.90	-.04	P1D2	0
3	23199	8493	.00A	.03	.50	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.89	.01	P1D3	0
4	23064	8493	.01A	.02	.53	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.90	.00	P1D4	0
5	22472	8493	.22A	.02	.65	-9.9	.54	-9.9	.89	.04	P1D5	0
MEAN	23102.	8493.	.00	.02	.58	-9.9	.46	-9.9				
S.D.	360.	0.	.14	.00	.07	.0	.07	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.04 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.61)	0 Unscorable
1	1	219	3	-3.40	-2.07	.41	.30	-4.09A	-4.07	1 Minimal
2	2	2338	28	-.29	-.15	.82	.67	-3.96A	-1.48	2 Limited
3	3	5446	64	3.47	3.31	.85	.80	.95A	3.99	3 Adequate
4	4	490	6	7.36	8.31	.53	.30	7.11A	(8.17)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.61)	-INF -4.92		0% 0%	65.5	0 Unscorable
1	-4.13	.14	-4.07	-4.92 -3.24	-4.58	82% 70%	19.2%	1 Minimal
2	-4.00	.08	-1.48	-3.24 .93	-3.56	78% 71%	-1.0%	2 Limited
3	.91	.04	3.99	.93 7.08	.92	85% 90%	3.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.07	.05	(8.17)	7.08 +INF	7.07	74% 61%	-21.5%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.21 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.57)	0 Unscorable
1	1	179	2	-3.74	-2.09	.20	.11	-3.77A	-4.14	1 Minimal
2	2	2223	26	-.55	-.27	.66	.56	-4.07A	-1.68	2 Limited
3	3	5407	64	3.37	3.22	.66	.60	.95A	3.71	3 Adequate
4	4	684	8	7.14	7.24	.52	.32	6.89A	(7.78)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.57)	-INF	-4.93		0%	0%	63.1	0 Unscorable
1	-3.98	.14	-4.14	-4.93	-3.36	-4.55	79%	83%	23.2%	1 Minimal
2	-4.28	.09	-1.68	-3.36	.75	-3.72	82%	78%	-1.5%	2 Limited
3	.74	.04	3.71	.75	6.69	.74	89%	90%	3.0%	3 Adequate
4	6.68	.05	(7.78)	6.69	+INF	6.68	77%	79%	-12.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .00 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.63)	0 Unscorable
1	1	225	3	-3.64	-2.06	.22	.13	-4.16A	-4.07	1 Minimal
2	2	2170	26	-.57	-.25	.58	.42	-3.96A	-1.56	2 Limited
3	3	5758	68	3.56	3.28	.67	.66	.71A	4.06	3 Adequate
4	4	340	4	7.70	10.04	.48	.24	7.41A	(8.51)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE A		(-5.63)	-INF	-4.93		0%	0%	65.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.16A	.14	-4.07	-4.93	-3.23	-4.59	93%	77%	20.0%	1 Minimal
2	-3.96A	.08	-1.56	-3.23	.73	-3.54	84%	82%	-1.8%	2 Limited
3	.71A	.04	4.06	.73	7.41	.72	92%	92%	4.3%	3 Adequate
4	7.41A	.06	(8.51)	7.41	+INF	7.41	68%	82%	-33.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .01 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.65)	0 Unscorable
1	1	253	3	-3.54	-2.05	.25	.14	-4.25A	-4.03	1 Minimal
2	2	2398	28	-.37	-.07	.56	.40	-3.81A	-1.34	2 Limited
3	3	5353	63	3.62	3.35	.69	.66	1.00A	4.04	3 Adequate
4	4	489	6	7.19	8.29	.65	.43	7.06A	(8.17)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.65)	-INF	-4.92		0%	0%	66.3	0 Unscorable
1	-4.24	.14	-4.03	-4.92	-3.15	-4.61	94%	69%	17.5%	1 Minimal
2	-3.80	.07	-1.34	-3.15	1.03	-3.44	86%	76%	-.6%	2 Limited
3	1.01	.04	4.04	1.03	7.08	1.02	86%	93%	3.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.07	.05	(8.17)	7.08	+INF	7.07	62%	52%	-21.4%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .22 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-5.74)	0 Unscorable
1	1	339	4	-3.17	-1.99	.42	.30	-4.66A	-3.91	1 Minimal
2	2	2720	32	.06	.21	.70	.51	-3.59A	-.95	2 Limited
3	3	5043	59	3.78	3.52	.84	.83	1.20A	4.35	3 Adequate
4	4	391	5	7.15	9.17	.73	.53	7.05A	(8.37)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-5.74)	-INF -4.93	0% 0%	69.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.44	.14	-3.91	-4.93 -2.91	85% 75%	12.3%	1 Minimal
2	-3.37	.07	-.95	-2.91 1.44	77% 83%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	1.42	.03	4.35	1.44 7.28	87% 84%	3.0%	3 Adequate
4	7.27	.06	(8.37)	7.28 +INF	48% 50%	-28.4%	4 Superior

Grade 9 Matrix Prompt 11 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
1	23321	8854	.08A	.03	.64 -9.9	.50 -9.9	.88	-.05	P1D1 0
2	22699	8854	.27A	.02	.55 -9.9	.42 -9.9	.91	.01	P1D2 0
3	22318	8854	.51A	.03	.51 -9.9	.36 -9.9	.90	.05	P1D3 0
4	22890	8854	.29A	.02	.51 -9.9	.37 -9.9	.91	-.02	P1D4 0
5	22485	8854	.40A	.02	.67 -9.9	.53 -9.9	.89	.01	P1D5 0
MEAN	22743.	8854.	.31	.02	.58 -9.9	.44 -9.9			
S.D.	348.	0.	.14	.00	.07 .0	.07 .0			

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .08 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.15)	0 Unscorable
1	1	247	3	-3.95	-2.53	.31	.21	-4.82A	-4.52	1 Minimal
2	2	3085	35	-.27	-.12	.79	.69	-4.37A	-1.39	2 Limited
3	3	5184	59	3.98	3.81	.80	.64	1.37A	4.68	3 Adequate
4	4	338	4	8.22	9.24	.47	.24	7.82A	(9.00)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.15)	-INF -5.42	0% 0%	68.7	0 Unscorable
1	-4.74	.13	-4.52	-5.42 -3.62	81% 75%	14.8%	1 Minimal
2	-4.29	.08	-1.39	-3.62 1.45	78% 85%	-1.1%	2 Limited
3	1.45	.04	4.68	1.45 7.90	88% 86%	3.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.90	.06	(9.00)	7.90 +INF	81% 52%	-23.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .27 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.26)	0 Unscorable
1	1	348	4	-3.81	-2.43	.31	.16	-5.25A	-4.38	1 Minimal
2	2	3501	40	.04	.18	.66	.53	-4.05A	-.90	2 Limited
3	3	4671	53	4.27	4.05	.68	.56	1.68A	4.92	3 Adequate
4	4	334	4	8.23	9.22	.46	.26	7.62A	(8.99)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.26) -INF -5.43		0% 0%	71.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.98	.13	-4.38 -5.43 -3.34	-5.20	86% 74%	11.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.78	.07	-.90 -3.34 1.95	-3.57	87% 81%	1.5%	2 Limited
3	1.95	.03	4.92 1.95 7.90	1.95	85% 92%	1.9%	3 Adequate
4	7.89	.06	(8.99) 7.90 +INF	7.89	85% 55%	-23.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .51 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.30)	0 Unscorable
1	1	397	4	-3.79	-2.38	.27	.12	-5.57A	-4.32	1 Minimal
2	2	3576	40	.11	.27	.59	.42	-4.08A	-.75	2 Limited
3	3	4755	54	4.50	4.15	.65	.55	1.54A	5.34	3 Adequate
4	4	126	1	8.68	15.58	.49	.26	8.11A	(9.72)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.30) -INF -5.44		0% 0%	73.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.06	.13	-4.32 -5.44 -3.20	-5.23	98% 74%	9.8%	1 Minimal
2	-3.57	.06	-.75 -3.20 2.06	-3.40	90% 82%	2.1%	2 Limited
3	2.05	.03	5.34 2.06 8.62	2.05	86% 95%	2.4%	3 Adequate
4	8.62	.07	(9.72) 8.62 +INF	8.62	56% 38%	-53.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .29 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.28)	0 Unscorable
1	1	388	4	-3.77	-2.41	.28	.15	-5.33A	-4.31	1 Minimal
2	2	3161	36	-.14	.07	.58	.43	-3.87A	-.94	2 Limited
3	3	5040	57	4.21	3.93	.66	.56	1.37A	4.89	3 Adequate
4	4	265	3	8.26	10.26	.54	.29	7.83A	(9.22)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.28)	-INF	-5.43		0%	0%	72.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.04	.13	-4.31	-5.43	-3.21	-5.22	91%	70%	10.1%	1 Minimal
2	-3.58	.06	-.94	-3.21	1.67	-3.41	83%	86%	-.3%	2 Limited
3	1.66	.03	4.89	1.67	8.12	1.66	89%	90%	3.3%	3 Adequate
4	8.12	.07	(9.22)	8.12	+INF	8.12	66%	54%	-30.6%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .40 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.35)	0 Unscorable
1	1	460	5	-3.53	-2.33	.37	.22	-5.55A	-4.23	1 Minimal
2	2	3430	39	.23	.27	.78	.62	-3.71A	-.65	2 Limited
3	3	4691	53	4.28	4.08	.86	.76	1.58A	5.03	3 Adequate
4	4	273	3	8.04	10.05	.62	.39	7.68A	(9.18)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.35)	-INF	-5.45		0%	0%	73.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.15	.13	-4.23	-5.45	-3.02	-5.28	91%	59%	8.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.31	.06	-.65	-3.02	1.99	-3.18	80%	76%	1.7%	2 Limited
3	1.98	.03	5.03	1.99	8.09	1.98	81%	88%	2.1%	3 Adequate
4	8.08	.06	(9.18)	8.09	+INF	8.08	59%	47%	-29.5%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ	ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain	G
1	23067	8460	-.26A	.03	.60	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.89	-.06	P1D1	0
2	22623	8460	-.12A	.03	.56	-9.9	.42	-9.9	.90	-.01	P1D2	0
3	22118	8460	.16A	.03	.53	-9.9	.38	-9.9	.90	.05	P1D3	0
4	22407	8460	.05A	.03	.53	-9.9	.37	-9.9	.90	.00	P1D4	0
5	22246	8460	.08A	.02	.66	-9.9	.52	-9.9	.89	.01	P1D5	0
MEAN	22492.	8460.	-.02	.03	.58	-9.9	.43	-9.9				
S.D.	333.	0.	.15	.00	.05	.0	.06	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.26 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.20)	0 Unscorable
1	1	186	2	-4.04	-2.64	.32	.22	-4.50A	-4.62	1 Minimal
2	2	2436	29	-.60	-.38	.75	.66	-4.21A	-1.72	2 Limited
3	3	5343	63	3.64	3.49	.75	.63	1.20A	4.10	3 Adequate
4	4	495	6	7.66	8.06	.48	.25	7.51A	(8.35)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.20)	-INF	-5.49	0% 0%	55.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.76	.15	-4.62	-5.49	-3.76	85% 72%	12.6%	1 Minimal
2	-4.47	.08	-1.72	-3.76	.95	88% 73%	-2.4%	2 Limited
3	.94	.04	4.10	.95	7.26	.94 85% 96%	3.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.25	.05	(8.35)	7.26	+INF	7.25 90% 49%	-16.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.12 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.25)	0 Unscorable
1	1	218	3	-4.10	-2.59	.24	.11	-4.75A	-4.57	1 Minimal
2	2	2800	33	-.34	-.13	.66	.52	-4.14A	-1.41	2 Limited
3	3	4963	59	3.86	3.67	.70	.59	1.49A	4.33	3 Adequate
4	4	479	6	7.60	8.10	.52	.32	7.40A	(8.38)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.25)	-INF	-5.50	0% 0%	56.2	0 Unscorable
1	-4.87	.15	-4.57	-5.50	-3.65	82% 78%	10.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.26	.08	-1.41	-3.65	1.37	86% 79%	.3%	2 Limited
3	1.37	.04	4.33	1.37	7.29	1.37 85% 93%	2.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.28	.05	(8.38)	7.29	+INF	7.28 84% 48%	-17.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .16 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.31)	0 Unscorable
1	1	260	3	-4.03	-2.55	.24	.11	-5.16A	-4.51	1 Minimal
2	2	2913	34	-.25	-.02	.60	.39	-4.17A	-1.23	2 Limited
3	3	5116	60	4.14	3.79	.69	.60	1.35A	4.83	3 Adequate
4	4	171	2	8.01	13.86	.61	.39	7.98A	(9.24)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.31)	-INF	-5.51	0% 0%	57.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.00	.15	-4.51	-5.51	-3.51	96% 77%	8.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.01	.07	-1.23	-3.51	1.52	91% 80%	1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.51	.04	4.83	1.52	8.14	1.51 87% 95%	3.4%	3 Adequate
4	8.14	.07	(9.24)	8.14	+INF	8.14 51% 35%	-49.5%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .05 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.33)	0 Unscorable
1	1	282	3	-3.94	-2.53	.26	.13	-5.10A	-4.46	1 Minimal
2	2	2689	32	-.36	-.11	.58	.39	-3.92A	-1.26	2 Limited
3	3	5209	62	3.98	3.69	.69	.60	1.26A	4.56	3 Adequate
4	4	280	3	7.85	10.37	.60	.34	7.76A	(8.91)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.33) -INF -5.51		0% 0%	57.7	0 Unscorable
1	-5.05	.15	-4.46 -5.51 -3.43	-5.27	94% 70%	8.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.87	.07	-1.26 -3.43 1.32	-3.66	85% 81%	-.3%	2 Limited
3	1.31	.04	4.56 1.32 7.81	1.31	88% 92%	3.6%	3 Adequate
4	7.81	.06	(8.91) 7.81 +INF	7.81	59% 58%	-33.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .08 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.42)	0 Unscorable
1	1	351	4	-3.57	-2.46	.42	.28	-5.28A	-4.36	1 Minimal
2	2	2799	33	-.09	.03	.74	.56	-3.60A	-1.00	2 Limited
3	3	4943	58	3.96	3.75	.83	.78	1.41A	4.52	3 Adequate
4	4	367	4	7.50	9.07	.67	.44	7.47A	(8.65)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.42) -INF -5.54		0% 0%	57.9	0 Unscorable
1	-5.20	.15	-4.36 -5.54 -3.20	-5.35	82% 78%	5.6%	1 Minimal
2	-3.52	.07	-1.00 -3.20 1.50	-3.38	83% 73%	1.2%	2 Limited
3	1.49	.04	4.52 1.50 7.56	1.49	83% 91%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.55	.06	(8.65) 7.56 +INF	7.55	63% 47%	-25.0%	4 Superior

Grade 9 Matrix Prompt 13 Item and Threshold Difficulty

ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD			
1	23722	8861	-.23A	.03	.71	-9.9	.60	-9.9	.87	-.06	P1D1 0
2	22907	8861	.02A	.02	.59	-9.9	.46	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D2 0
3	22638	8861	.27A	.03	.54	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.89	.02	P1D3 0
4	22697	8861	.19A	.02	.58	-9.9	.43	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D4 0
5	22677	8861	.21A	.02	.71	-9.9	.57	-9.9	.88	.01	P1D5 0
MEAN	22928.	8861.	.09	.02	.63	-9.9	.49	-9.9			
S.D.	408.	0.	.18	.00	.07	.0	.08	.0			

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.23 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.68)	0 Unscorable
1	1	216	2	-4.21	-3.06	.42	.32	-5.12A	-4.93	1 Minimal
2	2	2896	33	-.31	-.18	.90	.91	-4.28A	-1.58	2 Limited
3	3	5282	60	3.81	3.69	.83	.65	1.54A	4.47	3 Adequate
4	4	467	5	8.02	8.54	.50	.28	7.86A	(8.73)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.68)	-INF	-5.91		0%	0%	53.0	0 Unscorable
1	-5.35	.15	-4.93	-5.91	-3.97	-5.63	81%	77%	8.2%	1 Minimal
2	-4.51	.08	-1.58	-3.97	1.31	-4.23	85%	73%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	1.31	.04	4.47	1.31	7.64	1.31	85%	92%	3.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.63	.06	(8.73)	7.64	+INF	7.63	76%	81%	-16.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .02 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.77)	0 Unscorable
1	1	277	3	-4.21	-2.92	.34	.20	-5.53A	-4.84	1 Minimal
2	2	3542	40	.05	.21	.68	.57	-4.18A	-1.07	2 Limited
3	3	4622	52	4.23	4.02	.70	.56	1.98A	4.88	3 Adequate
4	4	420	5	8.08	8.75	.51	.33	7.73A	(8.85)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE S.E.		SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.77)	-INF	-5.92		0%	0%	54.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.51	.15	-4.84	-5.92	-3.75	-5.70	81%	78%	6.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.16	.07	-1.07	-3.75	2.00	-3.97	89%	80%	1.3%	2 Limited
3	2.00	.03	4.88	2.00	7.76	2.90	83%	92%	1.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.75	.06	(8.85)	7.76	+INF	7.75	81%	51%	-18.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .27 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.85)	0 Unscorable
1	1	337	4	-4.16	-2.84	.29	.14	-5.91A	-4.74	1 Minimal
2	2	3435	39	.03	.23	.61	.44	-4.11A	-.94	2 Limited
3	3	4925	56	4.40	4.06	.68	.56	1.67A	5.28	3 Adequate
4	4	164	2	8.64	13.56	.52	.27	8.35A	(9.72)	4 Superior

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE-----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.85)	-INF	-5.95		0%	0%	55.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.64	.15	-4.74	-5.95	-3.54	-5.77	97%	76%	5.4%	1 Minimal
2	-3.84	.07	-.94	-3.54	1.95	-3.71	90%	83%	.9%	2 Limited
3	1.94	.03	5.28	1.95	8.62	1.94	87%	94%	3.0%	3 Adequate
4	8.62	.07	(9.72)	8.62	+INF	8.62	59%	35%	-45.2%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .19 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.88)	0 Unscorable
1	1	366	4	-4.05	-2.79	.32	.17	-5.88A	-4.70	1 Minimal
2	2	3434	39	.10	.26	.64	.48	-3.89A	-.86	2 Limited
3	3	4781	54	4.33	4.04	.70	.59	1.78A	5.08	3 Adequate
4	4	280	3	8.20	10.33	.61	.40	7.99A	(9.28)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.88)	-INF	-5.96		0%	0%	55.3	0 Unscorable
1	-5.69	.15	-4.70	-5.96	-3.44	-5.80	94%	68%	5.2%	1 Minimal
2	-3.70	.07	-.86	-3.44	1.97	-3.59	87%	80%	1.1%	2 Limited
3	1.97	.03	5.08	1.97	8.19	1.97	85%	91%	2.5%	3 Adequate
4	8.18	.06	(9.28)	8.19	+INF	8.18	61%	59%	-29.3%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .21 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.97)	0 Unscorable
1	1	451	5	-3.71	-2.65	.44	.28	-6.02A	-4.58	1 Minimal
2	2	3323	38	.24	.30	.78	.63	-3.55A	-.69	2 Limited
3	3	4768	54	4.24	4.02	.87	.79	1.73A	4.99	3 Adequate
4	4	319	4	7.80	9.78	.77	.54	7.83A	(9.14)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. -----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.97)	-INF	-6.00		0%	0%	55.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.81	.15	-4.58	-6.00	-3.16	-5.89	86%	79%	4.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.34	.06	-.69	-3.16	1.95	-3.27	82%	75%	1.0%	2 Limited
3	1.94	.03	4.99	1.95	8.05	1.94	81%	88%	2.5%	3 Adequate
4	8.04	.06	(9.14)	8.05	+INF	8.04	57%	47%	-25.9%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFIT		OUTFIT		SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domai	G
					MNSQ	ZSTD	MNSQ	ZSTD				
1	24246	8931	-.41A	.03	.60	-9.9	.47	-9.9	.88	-.07	P1D1	0
2	23656	8931	-.23A	.02	.58	-9.9	.44	-9.9	.90	-.02	P1D2	0
3	23037	8931	.12A	.03	.54	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.90	.04	P1D3	0
4	23291	8931	-.01A	.03	.54	-9.9	.39	-9.9	.90	.01	P1D4	0
5	23020	8931	.07A	.02	.70	-9.9	.54	-9.9	.89	.03	P1D5	0
MEAN	23450.	8931.	-.09	.03	.59	-9.9	.44	-9.9				
S.D.	460.	0.	.20	.00	.06	.0	.06	.0				

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.41 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.77)	0 Unscorable
1	1	219	2	-4.45	-3.22	.30	.23	-5.03A	-5.02	1 Minimal
2	2	2587	29	-.71	-.48	.74	.68	-4.18A	-1.84	2 Limited
3	3	5647	63	3.67	3.51	.73	.61	1.27A	4.19	3 Adequate
4	4	478	5	7.98	8.54	.47	.22	7.93A	(8.62)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.77)	-INF	-5.99		0%	0%	54.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.44	.15	-5.02	-5.99	-4.05	-5.72	81%	78%	6.9%	1 Minimal
2	-4.59	.08	-1.84	-4.05	.87	-4.31	87%	76%	-2.5%	2 Limited
3	.86	.04	4.19	.87	7.52	.86	87%	95%	3.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.52	.06	(8.62)	7.52	+INF	7.52	88%	55%	-17.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.23 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.85)	0 Unscorable
1	1	277	3	-4.39	-3.11	.27	.15	-5.36A	-4.92	1 Minimal
2	2	3058	34	-.34	-.16	.69	.56	-4.02A	-1.41	2 Limited
3	3	5121	57	3.93	3.75	.71	.59	1.64A	4.47	3 Adequate
4	4	475	5	7.94	8.46	.48	.27	7.75A	(8.62)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT. ----ZONE----			50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M		OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.85)	-INF	-6.01		0%	0%	56.1	0 Unscorable
1	-5.59	.15	-4.92	-6.01	-3.84	-5.78	81%	81%	5.4%	1 Minimal
2	-4.25	.07	-1.41	-3.84	1.41	-4.06	85%	80%	.6%	2 Limited
3	1.41	.04	4.47	1.41	7.53	1.41	86%	92%	2.4%	3 Adequate
4	7.52	.06	(8.62)	7.53	+INF	7.52	86%	53%	-17.2%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .12 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.96)	0 Unscorable
1	1	368	4	-4.21	-2.97	.28	.15	-5.89A	-4.79	1 Minimal
2	2	3201	36	-.16	.02	.62	.41	-3.92A	-1.08	2 Limited
3	3	5181	58	4.24	3.92	.69	.61	1.50A	5.02	3 Adequate
4	4	181	2	8.41	13.31	.55	.30	8.30A	(9.52)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.96)	-INF -6.05	0% 0%	57.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.77	.15	-4.79	-6.05 -3.54	98% 74%	3.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.80	.07	-1.08	-3.54 1.63	89% 80%	1.7%	2 Limited
3	1.62	.03	5.02	1.63 8.42	87% 95%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	8.42	.07	(9.52)	8.42 +INF	57% 33%	-44.9%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.01 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.95)	0 Unscorable
1	1	359	4	-4.23	-2.98	.27	.14	-5.74A	-4.79	1 Minimal
2	2	3073	34	-.26	-.05	.60	.40	-3.82A	-1.16	2 Limited
3	3	5210	58	4.13	3.83	.69	.60	1.50A	4.77	3 Adequate
4	4	289	3	8.09	10.43	.61	.35	8.06A	(9.15)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.95)	-INF -6.04	0% 0%	57.5	0 Unscorable
1	-5.75	.15	-4.79	-6.04 -3.56	93% 72%	4.0%	1 Minimal
2	-3.83	.07	-1.16	-3.56 1.50	86% 81%	1.1%	2 Limited
3	1.49	.03	4.77	1.50 8.05	87% 92%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	8.05	.06	(9.15)	8.05 +INF	57% 58%	-30.7%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5

Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .07 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	OBSVD COUNT	SAMPLE %	AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-7.03)	0 Unscorable
1	1	443	5	-3.84	-2.85	.43	.29	-5.94A	-4.67	1 Minimal
2	2	3223	36	.04	.11	.77	.56	-3.54A	-.87	2 Limited
3	3	4929	55	4.14	3.93	.87	.81	1.64A	4.81	3 Adequate
4	4	336	4	7.76	9.64	.72	.47	7.83A	(9.00)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

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CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-7.03)	-INF -6.07		0% 0%	57.8	0 Unscorable
1	-5.87	.14	-4.67	-6.07 -3.29	-5.95	83% 80%	2.7%	1 Minimal
2	-3.47	.06	-.87	-3.29 1.72	-3.39	84% 71%	2.5%	2 Limited
3	1.71	.03	4.81	1.72 7.91	1.71	81% 90%	1.7%	3 Adequate
4	7.90	.06	(9.00)	7.91 +INF	7.90	54% 47%	-25.8%	4 Superior

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ENTRY NUMBER	RAW SCORE	COUNT	MEASURE	ERROR	INFINIT MNSQ ZSTD	OUTFIT MNSQ ZSTD	SCORE CORR.	DISPLACE	Domain G
1	24529	9068	-.31A	.03	.65 -9.9	.49 -9.9	.87	-.06	P1D1 0
2	24022	9068	-.15A	.03	.58 -9.9	.41 -9.9	.90	-.01	P1D2 0
3	23500	9068	.18A	.03	.55 -9.9	.37 -9.9	.89	.04	P1D3 0
4	23831	9068	.01A	.03	.53 -9.9	.36 -9.9	.90	.00	P1D4 0
5	23693	9068	.02A	.02	.67 -9.9	.50 -9.9	.89	.02	P1D5 0
MEAN	23915.	9068.	-.05	.03	.59 -9.9	.43 -9.9			
S.D.	351.	0.	.17	.00	.06 .0	.06 .0			

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 1 P1D1
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.31 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT %	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0	0	.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.46)	0 Unscorable
1	1	162	2	-4.51 -2.90	.23	.13	-4.63A	-4.96	1 Minimal
2	2	2761	30	-.68 -.51	.82	.73	-4.66A	-1.96	2 Limited
3	3	5735	63	3.73 3.59	.82	.64	1.26A	4.34	3 Adequate
4	4	410	5	8.16 8.86	.47	.20	8.03A	(8.82)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	----ZONE----	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.46)	-INF -5.79		0% 0%	56.1	0 Unscorable
1	-4.94	.15	-4.96	-5.79 -4.14	-5.43	79% 83%	14.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.97	.09	-1.96	-4.14 .95	-4.48	88% 72%	-2.1%	2 Limited
3	.95	.04	4.34	.95 7.72	.95	85% 95%	3.5%	3 Adequate
4	7.72	.06	(8.82)	7.72 +INF	7.72	86% 53%	-19.4%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 2 P1D2
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF -.15 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT %	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRG	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFINIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0	0	.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.55)	0 Unscorable
1	1	227	3	-4.37 -2.81	.26	.12	-5.04A	-4.85	1 Minimal
2	2	3138	35	-.42 -.24	.69	.52	-4.36A	-1.53	2 Limited
3	3	5293	58	3.98 3.79	.70	.56	1.54A	4.55	3 Adequate
4	4	410	5	8.11 8.78	.50	.28	7.86A	(8.81)	4 Superior

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AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.55) -INF -5.79		0% 0%	57.6	0 Unscorable
1	-5.19	.15	-4.85 -5.79 -3.92	-5.50	80% 77%	11.8%	1 Minimal
2	-4.51	.08	-1.53 -3.92 1.39	-4.20	86% 81%	.6%	2 Limited
3	1.39	.04	4.55 1.39 7.72	1.39	86% 93%	2.1%	3 Adequate
4	7.71	.06	(8.81) 7.72 +INF	7.71	86% 53%	-19.0%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 3 P1D3
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .18 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.63)	0 Unscorable
1	1	280	3	-4.30	-2.75	.24	.10	-5.52A	-4.77	1 Minimal
2	2	3273	36	-.30	-.11	.62	.39	-4.38A	-1.30	2 Limited
3	3	5386	59	4.26	3.94	.71	.60	1.38A	5.13	3 Adequate
4	4	129	1	8.61	15.85	.58	.28	8.52A	(9.80)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.63) -INF -5.81		0% 0%	59.2	0 Unscorable
1	-5.34	.15	-4.77 -5.81 -3.74	-5.57	98% 76%	9.1%	1 Minimal
2	-4.20	.07	-1.30 -3.74 1.57	-3.98	90% 80%	1.4%	2 Limited
3	1.56	.03	5.13 1.57 8.70	1.56	87% 95%	2.6%	3 Adequate
4	8.70	.07	(9.80) 8.70 +INF	8.70	42% 36%	-52.8%	4 Superior

SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 4 P1D4
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .01 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	OBSERVED SCORE	COUNT	%	OBSVD SAMPLE AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.63)	0 Unscorable
1	1	289	3	-4.28	-2.74	.23	.09	-5.37A	-4.75	1 Minimal
2	2	3056	34	-.42	-.21	.60	.40	-4.15A	-1.37	2 Limited
3	3	5462	60	4.08	3.81	.68	.57	1.35A	4.77	3 Adequate
4	4	261	3	8.38	10.73	.54	.26	8.17A	(9.28)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABILITY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.63) -INF -5.81		0% 0%	58.8	0 Unscorable
1	-5.36	.15	-4.75 -5.81 -3.71	-5.57	95% 71%	9.5%	1 Minimal
2	-4.14	.07	-1.37 -3.71 1.37	-3.93	86% 82%	.4%	2 Limited
3	1.36	.04	4.77 1.37 8.18	1.36	89% 92%	2.7%	3 Adequate
4	8.18	.07	(9.28) 8.18 +INF	8.18	66% 63%	-31.7%	4 Superior

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SUMMARY OF CATEGORY STRUCTURE Domain NUMBER: 5 P1D5
Domain ITEM DIFFICULTY MEASURE OF .02 ADDED TO MEASURES

CATEGORY LABEL	SCORE	OBSERVED COUNT	%	OBSVD AVRGE	SAMPLE EXPECT	INFIT MNSQ	OUTFIT MNSQ	STRUCTURE MEASURE	CATEGORY MEASURE	
0	0	0	0			.00	.00	NONE A	(-6.68)	0 Unscorable
1	1	336	4	-4.02	-2.69	.34	.19	-5.47A	-4.68	1 Minimal
2	2	3180	35	-.18	-.09	.75	.56	-3.92A	-1.18	2 Limited
3	3	5211	57	4.06	3.87	.84	.76	1.50A	4.72	3 Adequate
4	4	341	4	7.95	9.43	.65	.36	7.89A	(9.01)	4 Superior

AVERAGE MEASURE is mean of measures in category.

CATEGORY LABEL	STRUCTURE MEASURE	S.E.	SCORE-TO-MEASURE AT CAT.	50% CUM. PROBABLTY	COHERENCE M->C C->M	OBS-EXP RESIDUAL	
0	NONE		(-6.68) -INF	-5.82	0% 0%	59.4	0 Unscorable
1	-5.45	.15	-4.68 -5.82	-3.55	-5.62 84% 84%	7.9%	1 Minimal
2	-3.90	.07	-1.18 -3.55	1.53	-3.74 85% 75%	1.6%	2 Limited
3	1.52	.03	4.72 1.53	7.91	1.52 83% 91%	1.8%	3 Adequate
4	7.91	.06	(9.01) 7.91	+INF	7.91 64% 47%	-23.7%	4 Superior

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Appendix B

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Assumptions:

1. The goal is to report the most accurate and useful data available for every student.
2. The number of students taking prompts from the wrong grade is too small to permit calibration of the out-of-grade prompts.
3. The sample sizes for all the matrix (field-test) prompts will be more than adequate for all within-grade calibrations.
4. The intended design included two common prompts, which were to be the basis of the scale score.
5. When a scale score can be computed, it can be rolled up into the aggregate reports.

Design:

	One	Two	Three
Grade 6	15 Field-Test 2 Equating	One Common Informational	One Common Persuasive
Grade 9	15 Field-Test 2 Equating	One Common Narrative	One Common Persuasive

Variations:

1. ***The student responded to the two common prompts for the correct grade.*** It does not matter what the other prompt was or what order the prompts were taken; the student can be reported in the standard manner.
2. ***The student did not respond to both common prompts, but did respond to the correct modes.*** The student can be reported in the standard manner, except the scale score cannot be taken from the standard raw-to-scale conversion table. The scale score would be computed from two prompts for the correct modes. If the student responded to two prompts from the same mode, use the higher of the two. Appropriate disclaimers would be needed to explain that the student scores are not from the common prompts.
3. ***The student did not respond to prompts from the correct modes.*** The student cannot receive the standard report. The scale score would be best estimated using the three prompts that were taken. The report would be adapted to reflect the modes that were taken. Appropriate disclaimers would be needed to explain what the student took.
4. ***The student responded to the same prompt more than once.*** The student will receive the higher score for the repeated prompt. Follow 1, 2 or 3 as much as possible.
5. ***The student took one or two out-of-grade prompts.*** The out-of-grade scores would not be used in the scale scores because they cannot be calibrated. The points on these prompts could be reported if appropriate. Follow 1, 2 or 3 as much as possible.
6. ***The student took three out-of-grade prompts.*** No scale score can be computed. The points on these prompts could be reported if appropriate.

Defensible Scale Scores

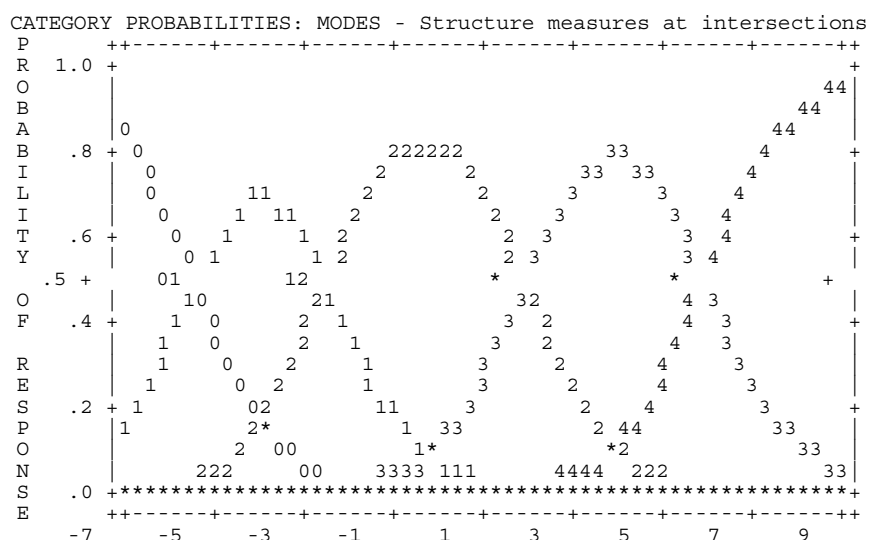
The problem is to estimate the scale score students would be expected to obtain had they responded to the intended prompts. Technically, this can be done as follows:

1. link all the prompts to one common scale,
2. estimate each student's scale score based on the prompts taken,
3. compute an expected raw score for the student on the two intended common prompts, and
4. estimate the scale score associated with that raw score.

The solution is actually easier than the problem.

The major effect contributing to differences in student scale scores is the difference among score categories. Prompts and domains vary by less than 0.5 logits; score points are separated by 3 or 4 logits. This is shown in the category plot below. Each curve is the probability of achieving a particular domain score for a given logit ability.

Figure 1: Category Plot



Roughly speaking, a person with a logit ability between +2 and +6 would be expected to score a 3 on this domain. The plot shown is for a randomly chosen prompt, mode and domain. It is typical of the others, although the precise positioning on the logit scale may vary.

Figure 2 compares the expected scores across three prompts. This indicates that a person with a logit ability between +2 and +5 would be expected to score 3, regardless of the prompt, mode or domain.

All items and domains show the same pattern: the logit difficulties for each score point are tightly clustered, regardless of prompt or domain. The student's scale score is overwhelmingly determined by raw score points received. Regardless of which prompt the student was actually responding to, the best estimate of the student's score on the correct

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prompt would be the scores the student actually received. In other words, if the student's scores were 3s, the most *probable* scores for the student on any prompt would also be 3s.

Figure 2: Expected Domain Scores

	-7	-5	-3	-1	1	3	5	7	9	Prompt/Domain
00	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P3D3C
0 0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P3D2C
0	0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	P1D3
0	0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	P1D4
0 0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P3D4C
0	0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	P1D2
0	0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	P1D5
0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P2D3C
0 0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P3D1C
0 0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P3D5C
0	0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	P1D1
0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P2D4C
0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P2D2C
00	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P2D1C
0	:	1	:	2	:	3	:	4	4	P2D5C

Consequently, the best estimates of the scale scores for students responding to unintended prompts would be the scale score from the standard raw-to-scale table corresponding to each student's observed score.

It is our recommendation that the same raw-to-scale conversion table, based on the common prompts, be used for all students.

There is also a question of what two prompts to count for the students who did not take the two common prompts for their grade. If, for example, the student took three matrix prompts, the second and third prompts are not more relevant or valid than the first position. A possible strategy for choosing is:

1. use prompts for the correct grade when possible,
2. use prompts for the correct modes for the grade when possible,
3. use a scored prompt over an unscorable prompt,
4. use the higher score.

Rules three and four seem the most problematic. By giving the irregular cases the *benefit of the doubt*, they might be interpreted as giving these students an advantage over the others.

For rule three, one category of unscorable occurs when the student writes to the same prompt twice. Handscoring, as a matter of routine, selects the higher score and codes the other as unscorable. The student may then have written three essays, so there should be two reportable scores regardless of their positions. The case of trying to choose between two otherwise admissible papers can only occur if the student took two or more matrix prompts or two out-of-grade prompts. Using the highest two recognizes that field-test prompts, on average, tend to be harder than operational. Prompts that are out-of-grade level, either up or down, may be more difficult to respond to as well because of less appropriate content.

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Out-of-grade Prompts

Students who took out-of-grade prompts present a theoretical problem. There is no way to compute a scale score across grades. Four students did not take at least two prompts within their own grade level. These are summarized below.

06	22111	07	04I	11111	05Y	00000	00Y	05Y	12	1	91	2I	2	92	XN
09	00000	00	15P	00000	00Y	00000	00Y	00Y	11	1	6116I	2	62	XI	3 62 XI
09	22222	10	01I	11112	06Y	21122	08Y	14Y	11			2	62	XI	3 63 XP
09	33233	14	16I	33333	15Y	00000	00Y	15Y	11			2	6116I	3	6116I

The first record is the only grade 6 student. This student has scores of 7, 5 and 0 on the three prompts, respectively. The first prompt was grade 9, prompt 1, form 2, informational. The second was grade 9, prompt 2, common, narrative and the third was the correct grade 6 common prompt. The only grade 6 prompt was unscorable. Suggestion: **treat the two scorable prompts as though they were the correct prompts, and give the student a raw score of 12 and a scale score of 914.** Report the modes actually taken.

The second record is a grade 9 student who responded to three sixth-grade prompts. All were unscorable.

Suggestion: **report as unscorable.**

The other two grade 9 students responded to the intended matrix prompts and two sixth-grade prompts in place of the grade 9 common prompts. Suggestion: **give the students the benefit of the doubt and use the two highest sets of scores.**

The basic principle in all cases is to use the highest two sets of raw scores and convert to scale scores using the standard raw to scale conversion table.

Summary Statistics

Report the same state summary statistics at the total-test level for all students on the ISRs, regardless of the form the student took. For any student who did not take the intended mode, we recommend not reporting state summary statistics for the prompt or domain. Instead, there should be a brief statement to the effect that “The number of students taking this prompt was too low to allow useful summary statistics to be reported.”