

THE AMERICAN BOARD OF ANESTHESIOLOGY

2018 In-Training Examination

GUIDELINES FOR INTERPRETING YOUR PERSONAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

Your Personal Performance Report provides you with information concerning your knowledge of anesthesiology as assessed by the ABA In-Training Examination (ITE).

Your name and your ABA ID number are printed at the top of your report. Please notify the American Board of Anesthesiology if your name or ID number is incorrect.

THE IN-TRAINING EXAMINATION SCORE

Your scaled score is printed on your Personal Performance Report. The scaled scores range from a low of 1 to a high of 50. Also reported are your percent correct scores for Basic items and Advanced items. The percent correct scores range from the lowest of 0% to the highest of 100%. The average scaled scores and percent correct scores for several resident groups are shown at the bottom of the corresponding Norm Table.

CONTENT AREA BENCHMARKS

The content measured by the ITE can be subdivided into several content areas. You are provided with benchmarks for each content area. The benchmarks are the numbers of correct answers that represent the 50th percentile, the 75th percentile, and the 90th percentile in your reference group that have the same training level as you. These benchmarks help you determine how your performance in each content area compares to that of your reference group.

KEYWORD PHRASES

The remainder of your Personal Performance Report lists a keyword phrase for each item you answered incorrectly. Each item is classified as Basic item or Advanced item. (B) after the keyword phrase indicates that the keyword phrase is associated with a Basic item; (A) after the keyword phrase indicates that keyword phrase is associated with an Advanced item.

THE NORM TABLES

The Scaled Score Norm Table enables you to compare your In-Training Examination scaled score with the scaled scores of residents at different levels of training. To determine a percentile rank among any of the five groups, locate your score in the column labeled Scaled Score. Read across the table to the group of interest to you. The number in this column is your percentile rank, and it indicates the percentage of residents in this group who scored lower than you. Likewise, the Percent Correct Score_Basic items Norm Table and the Percent Correct Score_Advanced items Norm Table enable you to compare your percent correct scores with those of residents at different levels of training.

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SCALED SCORE NORM TABLE

SCALED SCORE	PERCENTILE RANKS				
	New (N=157)	CB (N=1082)	CA1 (N=1701)	CA2 (N=1700)	CA3 (N=1633)
50	99	99	99	99	99
49	99	99	99	98	98
48	99	99	99	98	97
47	99	99	99	97	95
46	99	99	99	96	94
45	99	99	99	95	92
44	99	99	99	93	88
43	99	99	98	89	84
42	99	99	97	85	80
41	99	99	95	80	74
40	99	99	94	75	68
39	99	99	91	69	61
38	99	99	88	62	54
37	99	99	83	53	45
36	98	99	79	45	37
35	98	98	74	37	29
34	98	98	68	29	23
33	97	97	63	23	18
32	97	95	55	16	13
31	96	94	46	11	9
30	95	92	38	7	6
29	94	91	30	5	4
28	93	89	24	3	3
27	91	87	18	2	2
26	90	83	13	1	1
25	89	79	10	1	1
24	87	75	7	1	1
23	85	68	5	1	1
22	82	62	3	1	1
21	75	52	2	1	1
20	67	42	1	1	1
19	61	35	1	1	1
18	53	28	1	1	1
17	41	21	1	1	1
16	29	15	1	1	1
15	20	10	1	1	1
14	12	5	1	1	1
13	8	2	1	1	1
12	4	1	1	1	1
≤ 11	1	1	1	1	1
MEAN	19	21	32	37	38
STD DEV	5	5	5	5	5

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PERCENT CORRECT SCORE_BASIC ITEMS NORM TABLE

PERCENT CORRECT	PERCENTILE RANKS				
	New (N=157)	CB (N=1082)	CA1 (N=1701)	CA2 (N=1700)	CA3 (N=1633)
≥ 91	99	99	99	99	99
90	99	99	99	98	98
89	99	99	99	97	96
88	99	99	99	95	95
87	99	99	99	93	92
86	99	99	98	91	89
85	99	99	97	88	85
84	99	99	95	83	81
83	99	99	93	78	76
82	98	99	91	73	71
81	98	99	88	67	65
80	98	99	85	60	59
79	98	99	83	54	52
78	98	98	79	48	46
77	98	98	74	42	39
76	98	97	70	36	33
75	97	97	68	33	30
74	97	97	65	30	28
73	96	96	60	24	23
72	96	95	56	20	19
71	96	94	51	16	15
70	95	93	47	13	12
69	95	91	42	10	10
68	94	90	37	8	8
67	93	88	33	6	6
66	93	87	29	5	5
65	92	86	25	4	4
64	90	84	21	3	3
63	89	82	17	2	2
62	88	80	14	2	2
61	88	78	12	1	1
60	87	75	10	1	1
59	85	71	8	1	1
58	84	67	7	1	1
57	82	64	5	1	1
56	79	59	4	1	1
55	75	55	3	1	1
54	70	51	3	1	1
53	65	47	2	1	1

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	New (N=157)	CB (N=1082)	CA1 (N=1701)	CA2 (N=1700)	CA3 (N=1633)
52	62	43	2	1	1
51	59	39	1	1	1
50	55	34	1	1	1
49	51	30	1	1	1
48	46	26	1	1	1
47	39	21	1	1	1
46	33	18	1	1	1
45	29	15	1	1	1
44	25	12	1	1	1
43	21	9	1	1	1
42	17	7	1	1	1
41	14	5	1	1	1
40	12	4	1	1	1
39	9	3	1	1	1
38	5	3	1	1	1
37	3	2	1	1	1
≤ 36	1	1	1	1	1
MEAN	50	55	71	78	78
STD DEV	10	10	8	6	7

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PERCENT CORRECT SCORE_ADVANCED ITEMS NORM TABLE

PERCENT CORRECT	PERCENTILE RANKS				
	New (N=157)	CB (N=1082)	CA1 (N=1701)	CA2 (N=1700)	CA3 (N=1633)
≥ 93	99	99	99	99	99
92	99	99	99	99	98
91	99	99	99	99	98
90	99	99	99	98	96
89	99	99	99	97	94
88	99	99	99	95	91
87	99	99	99	93	88
86	99	99	98	91	84
85	99	99	98	88	80
84	99	99	97	85	75
83	99	99	96	83	72
82	99	99	95	81	69
81	99	99	93	75	63
80	99	99	91	70	57
79	99	99	88	64	51
78	99	99	85	58	45
77	99	99	82	52	39
76	99	98	78	47	34
75	99	98	74	41	29
74	99	97	70	35	24
73	98	97	65	29	20
72	97	96	61	25	17
71	97	96	56	21	14
70	97	96	51	17	11
69	97	95	45	14	9
68	97	93	40	12	8
67	96	92	36	9	6
66	94	90	32	7	4
65	94	89	27	6	3
64	93	87	23	4	3
63	92	85	19	3	2
62	92	84	16	2	2
61	90	82	13	2	1
60	89	80	11	1	1
59	87	78	9	1	1
58	85	74	8	1	1
57	83	70	6	1	1
56	83	65	5	1	1

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PERCENT CORRECT	PERCENTILE RANKS				
	New (N=157)	CB (N=1082)	CA1 (N=1701)	CA2 (N=1700)	CA3 (N=1633)
55	81	61	4	1	1
54	78	56	3	1	1
53	72	50	3	1	1
52	68	44	2	1	1
51	64	39	1	1	1
50	61	37	1	1	1
49	58	35	1	1	1
48	52	30	1	1	1
47	45	26	1	1	1
46	39	21	1	1	1
45	34	17	1	1	1
44	30	14	1	1	1
43	24	11	1	1	1
42	18	8	1	1	1
41	14	6	1	1	1
40	10	4	1	1	1
39	7	3	1	1	1
38	5	3	1	1	1
37	4	2	1	1	1
36	3	1	1	1	1
≤ 35	1	1	1	1	1
MEAN	49	53	70	76	79
STD DEV	9	9	8	7	7