












Oregon Educator Licensure Assessments® Multiple Subjects Examination/
National Evaluation Series™ Elementary Education Comparison for Use in Oregon
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Test	ORELA™ Multiple Subjects Examination	NES® Elementary Education
Format and Content Overview	Paper-Based Test with Three Subtests	Computer-Based Test with Two Subtests
	Subtest I and Subtest III	Subtest I
	<p>Language Arts: 18-20 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Understand the effective expression of information and ideas through oral and visual communication. 2) Understand the effective expression of information and ideas through writing and the appropriate elements and conventions of standard written English. 3) Understand features and forms of literature. 4) Understand research methods. 	<p>Content Domain I. Reading and Language Arts: 46-47 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Understand foundations of language development and emergent literacy. 2) Understand development of phonics, word analysis, spelling, and fluency. 3) Understand reading comprehension and vocabulary skills. 4) Understand literary, informational, persuasive, and functional texts, and graphic sources. 5) Understand the processes, conventions, and modes of written and oral communication. <p><i>Note: Content Domain I.1 and I.2 go beyond what is required for the ORELA Subtest I Language Arts subarea. However, the additional content is covered in the ORELA Subtest III Reading Instruction subarea. Hence the difference between the number of items in the ORELA Language Arts subarea and the NES corresponding content domain.</i></p>
	<p>Social Science: 27-29 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5) Understand important theories, concepts, and terminology related to civics and government. 6) Understand important theories, concepts, and terminology related to economics. 7) Understand important theories, concepts and terminology related to geography. 8) Understand important events, concepts, and terminology related to world history. 9) Understand important events, concepts, and terminology related to the history of the United States and the state of Oregon. 10) Understand methods of social science research and analysis. 	<p>Content Domain II. Social Studies: 28-29 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6) Understand fundamental concepts related to government and economics. 7) Understand fundamental concepts and major developments related to U.S. and world history. 8) Understand fundamental concepts related to geography and methods of social studies inquiry. <p><i>Note: Test does not include an objective addressing specifically the history of the state of Oregon.</i></p>
<p>The Arts: 12-14 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11) Understand techniques and materials associated with the visual arts and the cultural, political, and historical significance of the visual arts. 12) Understand techniques and materials associated with theatre and dance and the cultural, political, and historical significance of theatre and dance. 13) Understand techniques and materials associated with music and the cultural, political, and historical significance of music genres and styles. 	<p>The Arts: See Subtest II, Content Domain III. The Arts, Health, and Fitness</p>	

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Format and Content Overview (Cont.)	<p>Reading Instruction (Subtest III only): 19-21 Multiple Choice Items</p> <p>14) Understand phonological and phonemic awareness.</p> <p>15) Understand the use of phonics and other word-identification strategies.</p> <p>16) Understand the development of vocabulary knowledge and skills.</p> <p>17) Understand reading comprehension and fluency.</p> <p>18) Understand reading comprehension strategies for literary and informational text.</p> <p><i>Note: Only candidates who are not in an Oregon pre-service program take Subtest III which is the same as Subtest I except that it includes this additional reading instruction subarea.</i></p>	<p>Reading Instruction: See Content Domain I. Reading and Language Arts</p> <p><i>Note: Reading Instruction content is covered in content domain I.1 and I.2.</i></p>
	<p>One language art constructed-response item</p> <p>One social science constructed-response item</p>	
	Subtest II	Subtest II
	<p>Mathematics 30-32 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>19) Understand mathematical communication.</p> <p>20) Understand numbers, number theory, and numeration.</p> <p>21) Understand mathematical problem solving.</p> <p>22) Understand methods of mathematical operations, calculation, and estimation.</p> <p>23) Understand and apply concepts and methods of measurement.</p> <p>24) Understand patterns, relationships, and algebraic concepts.</p> <p>25) Understand and apply principles and properties of geometry.</p> <p>26) Understand concepts and applications of probability.</p> <p>27) Understand concepts and applications of statistics.</p> <p>28) Understand the nature and history of mathematics.</p>	<p>Content Domain I. Mathematics: 37-38 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>1) Understand concepts of numeration, number sense, and mathematical operations.</p> <p>2) Understand mathematical reasoning and problem solving, communication and representation, and data analysis.</p> <p>3) Understand basic concepts of patterns, algebra, and functions.</p> <p>4) Understand basic concepts of geometry and measurement.</p>
	<p>Science: 18-20 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>29) Understand concepts and principles of physical science.</p> <p>30) Understand concepts and principles of life science.</p> <p>31) Understand concepts and principles of earth and space science.</p> <p>32) Understand concepts and principles of scientific inquiry and investigation.</p> <p>33) Understand the relationships among science, technology, and society.</p> <p>34) Understand the nature and history of science</p>	<p>Content Domain II. Science: 28-29 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>5) Understand fundamental concepts of the life sciences.</p> <p>6) Understand fundamental concepts of the physical, Earth, and space sciences.</p> <p>7) Understand the nature of science and the processes of scientific inquiry.</p>

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Format and Content Overview (Cont.)	<p>Health and Physical Education: 9-11 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>34) Understand basic principles and practices related to personal and community health and safety.</p> <p>35) Understand basic principles and practices related to lifetime physical fitness.</p> <p>36) Understand basic principles and practices of physical education.</p>	<p>Content Domain III. The Arts, Health, and Fitness: 8-10 Multiple-Choice Items</p> <p>8) Understand basic elements of the arts and fundamental concepts of health and fitness.</p>
	<p>One mathematics constructed-response item</p> <p>One science constructed-response item</p>	
Test Time	Four hours for one or two subtests per test session.	<p>I. Subtest I: Up to 90 Minutes</p> <p>II. Subtest II: Up to 90 Minutes</p>
Test Dates	Offered six times per year in an afternoon test session from 1:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m.	On-going. Test appointments are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
Test Sites	<p>In Oregon: Ashland, Bend, Corvallis, Eugene, La Grande, Monmouth, Ontario, Portland, and Salem (test area availability varies by test date).</p> <p>Tests will be available at the following out-of-state test sites for the April 2011 test date only (subject to minimum registration requirements): Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; San Francisco, California; and Seattle, Washington.</p>	<p>Computer-based sites are located nationwide.</p> <p>Oregon sites: Beaverton, Medford, Salem (3rd party site @ E. Oregon University available in 2011).</p>
Passing Score	240 per subtest; examinees must pass two subtests.	Each subtest is taken, scored, and reported independently. Oregon may set its own passing score for each subtest.
Test Fee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$80 for one Multiple Subjects subtest • \$160 for two Multiple Subjects subtest • \$30 one-time registration processing fee for paper-based testing, if applicable (If you are registering for an ORELA paper-based test for the first time, you must pay the one-time registration processing fee.) • \$30 late registration fee, if applicable • \$70 emergency registration fee, if applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50 for one Elementary Education subtest • \$95 for both Elementary Education subtests

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Score Reporting	<p>Examinees: Scores are released electronically one month after testing on the published score report date.</p> <p>Institutions and the TSPC: Same day as release of examinee score reports; cumulative test and registration data provided through Results Analyzer™.</p>		<p>A scaled score is provided immediately after testing; score reports are released within two weeks of testing.</p>			
Retake Policy	Paper-based: no limitations; examinees may test on all occasions.		60 days			
Program Website & Testing Account Access	<p>Access for all tests via: www.orela.nesinc.com</p> <p>Individual examinee accounts provided through My Account</p>		<p>Access for all tests via: www.orela.nesinc.com</p> <p>Individual examinee accounts provided through My Account</p>			
Preparation Materials	Test Content	Multiple Subjects Examination test framework 	General Preparation	Understanding the Structure and Content of the Test 		
	Study Guide	<p>Section 1</p> <p>About the ORELA Program </p> <p>Section 2</p> <p>Preparing for the Test </p> <p>Section 3</p> <p>Sample Test Items for Subtest I: Language Arts, Social Science, the Arts </p> <p>Section 4</p> <p>Sample Test Items for Subtest II: Mathematics, Science, Health and Physical Education </p> <p>Section 5</p> <p>Sample Test Items for Subtest III: Language Arts, Social Science, the Arts, Reading Instruction </p>	Test Content and Sample Questions	<p>Test-specific NES Profile:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elementary Education Subtest I HTML Download  • NES Profile: Elementary Education Subtest II HTML Download  		
	Fee-Based Interactive Materials					
	Full-Length, Web-based Practice Test (with diagnostic score report and immediate essay scoring for the Writing subtest)			NES Practice 	\$17.50 per Subtest	Learn more
	Comprehensive Study Guide (available for all subtests in 2011)			NES Prep 	\$22.50 per Subtest	Learn more