

New assessment terms:

choice

A standardized test designed to efficiently measure the amount of knowledge and/or skill a person has acquired, usually as a result of classroom instruction. Such testing produces a statistical profile used as a measurement to evaluate student learning in comparison with a standard or norm.

Achievement Test:

Many educators prefer the description "assessment alternatives" to describe alternatives to traditional, standardized, norm- or criterion-referenced traditional paper and pencil testing. An alternative assessment might require students to answer an open-ended question, work out a solution to a problem, perform a demonstration of a skill, or in some way produce work rather than select an answer from choices on a sheet of paper. Portfolios and instructor observation of students are also alternative forms of assessment.

Aptitude Test

The key that describes the scoring scenario for a question or test.

Alternative Assessment

A test intended to measure the test-taker's innate ability to learn, given before receiving instructions.

Domain

A set of tests standardized on the same population, so that norm-referenced scores on the several tests can be compared or used in combination for decision making.

Examiner

One of the possible responses that a participant might select. Choices contain the correct answer/s and distracters

Battery

The average score for all participants in a class for a particular test.

Item

an area of language ability or knowledge

answer key

A person deemed by the certifying agency to possess the relevant technical and personal qualifications to conduct an examination as part of the certification process

class mean

A general term referring to an individual problem, question, choices, correct answer, scoring scenarios and outcomes used within a test