

California Spanish Assessment Training Tests



The optional California Spanish Assessment (CSA) is the state's assessment of Spanish reading/language arts and is aligned with the *California Common Core State Standards (CCSS) en Español*—a translated and linguistically augmented version of the *California CCSS for English Language Arts & Literacy*.

The CSA assesses the following domains:

Listening



+

Speaking



Reading



+

Writing



Along with assessing listening, reading, and writing mechanics, the CSA is expanding beginning in 2025 to include the Speaking domain and one full-write test item for the Writing domain at each grade or grade span. Before the CSA becomes operational, the new test items will be field tested in 2024.

The Speaking items are based on the listening passages, and the full-write items are based on the reading passages. The CSA training tests can provide an opportunity to practice the new changes to the CSA.

The CSA training tests are available for each of the following grade spans: grades 3–5, grades 6–8, and high school.



Why administer the training tests?

To provide students with the opportunity to:

- practice the full-write and Speaking audio items;
- practice recording, listen to, and rerecord their speaking responses;
- practice using the writing tools (e.g., accent marks);
- interact with technology-enhanced items; and
- familiarize themselves with embedded accessibility resources.

What is included in the training tests?

- One 10-question test including items of each type plus one full-write item and one speaking audio item for grade spans 3–5, 6–8, and high school
- A cover page of student instructions before the Listening and Speaking items and another before the Reading and Writing items

For more information, visit the [California Department of Education CSA web page](https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/csa.asp) at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/csa.asp>.