

Recognition of Acquired Competencies Adult General Education

Comprehensive examinations:

- English, second language (*Prior Learning Examination*)
- Français, langue seconde

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Brief Overview

- The current examinations are based on old Diversified Basic Education (DBE) programs.
- They evaluate learning in Secondary III, IV and V, as well as in the enriched Secondary V program.
- Six credits corresponding to the attained level are earned toward a Diploma of Secondary Studies (SSD).

Summary of the New Comprehensive Examinations



- An examination that evaluates Secondary IV studies, worth 4 compulsory credits toward an SSD
- AND*
- An examination that evaluates Secondary V studies, worth 4 compulsory credits toward an SSD

Summary of the New Comprehensive Examinations (cont.)

- The examinations comply with the new certification requirements of the A3 certification system (2010).
- They were developed using a competency-based approach in accordance with the Diversified Basic Education (DBE) programs in Adult General Education.
- Three competencies are evaluated.
- Each examination consists of two parts.

Summary of the New Comprehensive Examinations (cont.)

Comprehensive exam English, second language	Part 1	Part 2	Comprehensive exam Français, langue seconde	Part 1	Part 2
Competency 1 Interacts Orally in English		40%	Compétence 1 Interagir oralement en français		40%
Competency 2 Reinvests Understanding of Texts	15%	15%	Compétence 2 Comprendre des textes variés (à l'écrit et à l'oral)	30%	
Competency 3 Writes and produces texts	30%		Compétence 3 Écrire et produire des textes variés	30%	
Length	180 minutes	60 minutes	Length	180 minutes	60 minutes

Certification Rules



- The pass mark is 60%.
- Candidates who fail the examination are allowed one or more retakes (Info/Sanction 16-17-11).
- Each subject code is associated with 4 credits.

Funding

- Refer to the school boards' operating budget rules.

Administration Guide



- A guide will be made available to the staff of school boards and adult education centres. Among other things, it will include:
 - an explanation of comprehensive examinations
 - a description of the examination
 - the administration procedures

Candidate's Guide



- A guide that explains the comprehensive examination will be made available to adult learners. Among other things, it will include:
 - the admission requirements
 - a description of the comprehensive examination
 - the exam preparation procedures
 - the criterion-referenced rubrics

Correction Guide



- A guide will be made available to teachers. Among other things, it will include:
 - an explanation of the evaluation process
 - a brief description of the examination
 - the instructions for correction and evaluation
 - the correction keys
 - the observation and evaluation checklists
 - the result sheet

Thank You!



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