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How to Use This Book

The *Praxis* TM tests are designed for three different testing populations. The test for which you prepare will depend on the population to which you belong.

If you are an undergraduate who is just starting out on the path toward becoming a prospective teacher, you will probably want to prepare for the PPST®, which tests your basic academic skills.

If you are in a teacher preparation program and are moving toward certification, you will most likely want to prepare for one or more of the *Praxis II* tests—the PLT[®], the Elementary Education tests, and/or the Subject Assessments.

If you are in the classroom, you will want to prepare for *Praxis III*, which assesses your teaching skills.

This book will help you

- Familiarize yourself with the test formats.
- Review some key concepts that appear on the *Praxis* tests.
- Practice your test-taking skills, using real* *Praxis* test questions.

Here is a step-by-step plan for using this book.

Step 1: Determine Your Requirements

Appendix A on page 467 includes a state-by-state list of testing requirements for certification. The tests you must take vary depending on where you plan to teach. Use the list to determine which tests you must take. That will tell you which parts of this book to use as you prepare.

Step 2: Read Part I

This overview gives you practical information about the different *Praxis* tests, including how to register and how to get your scores. Part I is for everyone who plans to take a *Praxis* test.

Step 3: Focus on the Upcoming Test

Are you preparing for the PPST?

Read Part II and take the sample tests in Part III.

^{*}When we refer to "real tests," we mean that literally. Since this book is prepared by ETS®, the same company that prepares the *Praxis* tests, all the questions you see in this book are taken directly from actual tests from years past. You will have a chance to answer the exact kinds of questions you will find on the *Praxis* test you are about to take.

Are you preparing for the PLT?

Read Part IV and work through the sample test questions in Chapter 16.

Are you preparing for the Elementary Education tests?

Read Part V and work through the sample test questions in Chapters 17–19. Are you preparing for one or more of the Subject Assessments?

Read Part VI and work through the sample test questions in Chapters 20–23.

Working teachers who are preparing for evaluation and review via the *Praxis III* tests should visit www.ets.org/praxis to learn more about those in-class assessments.

Step 4: Review and Improve

Each set of the real test questions is followed by explanatory answers. Use the information you gain from these answers to figure out areas where you need to study and improve your skills.