

California Subject Examinations for Teachers®

TEST GUIDE

HMONG General Examination Information

Test Structure for CSET: Hmong

CSET: Hmong consists of two separate subtests, each composed of constructed-response questions. Each subtest is scored separately.

The structure of the examination is shown in the table below.

CSET: Hmong				
Subtest	Domains	Number of Constructed- Response Questions		
I	General Linguistics	1 short (focused)		
	Linguistics of the Target Language	3 short (focused)		
	Literary and Cultural Texts and Traditions	1 extended		
	Cultural Analysis and Comparisons	1 extended		
	Subtest Total	4 short (focused) 2 extended		
II	Language and Communication: Oral Expression	2 short (focused)		
	Language and Communication: Listening Comprehension	2 short (focused)		
	Language and Communication: Reading Comprehension	2 short (focused)		
	Language and Communication: Written Expression	1 extended		
	Subtest Total	6 short (focused) 1 extended		

Bilingual Authorization Information

Effective fall 2007, specific CSET: World Languages subtests replaced Tests 4, 5, and 6 of the BCLAD Examinations as the required assessments for individuals who wish to use the exam route to earn a Bilingual Authorization. For more information refer to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) website at **www.ctc.ca.gov** or the California Educator Credentialing Examinations website at **www.ctcexams.nesinc.com**.

To verify competence in the knowledge and skill areas necessary for effective teaching of English learners for the Bilingual Authorization, candidates must pass CSET: Hmong Subtests II*, IV, and V. The test structure for CSET: Hmong (used toward the Bilingual Authorization) is shown in the table below.

CSET: Hmong (used toward the Bilingual Authorization)				
Subtest	Domains	Number of Multiple-Choice Questions	Number of Constructed- Response Questions	
*	Language and Communication: Oral Expression	none	2 short (focused)	
	Language and Communication: Listening Comprehension	none	2 short (focused)	
	Language and Communication: Reading Comprehension	none	2 short (focused)	
	Language and Communication: Written Expression	none	1 extended	
	Subtest Total	none	6 short (focused) 1 extended	
IV	Bilingual Education and Bilingualism	12	none	
	Intercultural Communication	13	none	
	Instruction and Assessment	25	none	
	Subtest Total	50	none	
V	Geographic and Historical Contexts	none	2 short (focused)	
	Sociopolitical and Sociocultural Contexts	none	3 short (focused)	
	Subtest Total	none	5 short (focused)	

^{*}This Hmong Subtest II is the same Hmong Subtest II that can be used toward the Single Subject Teaching Credential. Passage of this subtest is not required if (1) you hold a valid, non-emergency Single Subject or Standard Secondary Teaching Credential with a major in Hmong or (2) you hold a three-year or higher degree from a foreign institution in which all instruction is delivered in Hmong and the institution is equivalent in status to a regionally accredited institution of higher education in the United States.

Annotated List of Resources for CSET: Hmong

This list identifies some resources that may help candidates prepare to take CSET: Hmong. While not a substitute for coursework or other types of teacher preparation, these resources may enhance a candidate's knowledge of the content covered on the examination. The references listed are not intended to represent a comprehensive listing of all potential resources. Candidates are not expected to read all of the materials listed below, and passage of the examination will not require familiarity with these specific resources. A brief summary is provided for each reference cited. Resources are organized alphabetically and by content domain order in subtest order.

General Linguistics

Ellis, Rod. (1997). Second Language Acquisition. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

This book covers the essentials of second-language acquisition, including discussions of different theories and models of second-language learning.

Fromkin, Victoria; Rodman, Robert; and Hyams, Nina. (2006). *An Introduction to Language* (8th edition). Boston, MA: Thomson/Heinle.

This book offers a good overview of all of the major aspects of linguistics, including phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, sociolinguistics, language acquisition, and historical linguistics.

Parker, Frank, and Riley, Kathryn. (2004). *Linguistics for Non-Linguists: A Primer with Exercises* (4th edition). Needham Heights, MA: Allyn & Bacon.

This book offers a solid introduction to linguistics, including discussions of speech act theory and first- and second-language acquisition.

Wardhaugh, Ronald. (1993). *Investigating Language: Central Problems in Linguistics*. Cambridge, MA: Blackwell Publishers.

This book offers a discussion of the major ideas and questions explored by the field of linguistics.

Linguistics of the Target Language

Vang, Anthony. (2005). Kawm Moob/Hmoob Ntawv.

This book is intended for beginning learners of Mong Leng and Hmong Der and covers reading and writing skills. Exercises are available on a CD program by the same author.

Vang, Patrick Txhim. (2007). Discovering the Hmong Language: Teaching and Learning the Hmong Language, Culture and History.

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Xiong, Lang, et al. (2004). English-Mong-English Dictionary.

This recent bilingual dictionary is a useful tool for students of the Mong language.

Xiong, Yuepheng L. (2006). *English-Hmong/Hmong-English Dictionary*. St. Paul, MN: Hmongland Publishing.

This dictionary includes information on Hmong writing, grammar, punctuation, and cultural traditions and also has medical entries.

Literary and Cultural Texts and Traditions

Johnson, Charles. (Ed.). (1985). *Dab Neeg Hmoob. Myths, Legends and Folktales from the Hmong of Laos.* St. Paul, MN: Linguistics Department, Macalester College.

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Park, Clara C., and Chi, Marilyn M.-Y. (Eds.). (1999). *Asian-American Education: Prospects and Challenges*. Westport, CT: Bergin & Garvey.

As the first comprehensive survey of seven major Asian American groups for educators, this book provides linguistic and sociocultural aspects of Cambodian, Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Hmong, and Vietnamese.

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