Accurate
With a 0.97 correlation, Versant test scores generated by the patented Versant testing system are virtually indistinguishable from expert human scoring, ensuring confidence in the results.

Reliable
The Versant Arabic Test is highly reliable (split-half reliability of 0.98), delivering more consistent testing without the variability typical of multiple evaluators and locations.

Fast
Versant is fully automated and can be easily taken over a phone or computer by large groups of candidates. A detailed score report is available minutes after the test is completed.

Versant Arabic Test

The Versant™ Arabic Test, created by leading language testing experts using advanced speech processing technology, evaluates a non-native Arabic speaker's ability to understand and to communicate appropriately in Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) on everyday topics. Versant automated tests can quickly, objectively, and accurately evaluate the language skills of candidates for employment or of students in language training programs.

Objectively Test Spoken Arabic Skills

The automated test system produces an overall Versant score based on key dimensions of spoken language performance:

Sentence Mastery: The ability to use basic and complex grammatical structures and sentence patterns accurately and appropriately. Scoring focuses on correct usage of words, phrases, and clauses in meaningful structures.

Vocabulary: The ability to understand, recall, and use common everyday words accurately and appropriately. Scoring focuses on the range of vocabulary and the accuracy of its use at the word, phrase, and sentence levels.

Fluency: The ability to maintain smooth speech flow and tempo. Scoring focuses on rate of speaking, the position and length of pauses, rhythm, and phrasing.

Pronunciation: The ability to articulate vowels and consonants in a native-like manner. Scoring focuses on accurate pronunciation and stress placement at the word and sentence level.

Versant Arabic Test Features

Purpose
- Recruiting
- School Admission
- Promotion

Duration of Test
- ~17 minutes

Number of Questions
- 69

Question Types
- Reading
- Repeat
- Short Questions
- Sentence Builds
- Passage Retellings

Validity and Reliability
- Versant has been extensively field tested and evaluated to verify its validity and reliability. Learn more about the test's validation findings in our detailed *Versant Arabic Test: Test Description and Validation Summary.*
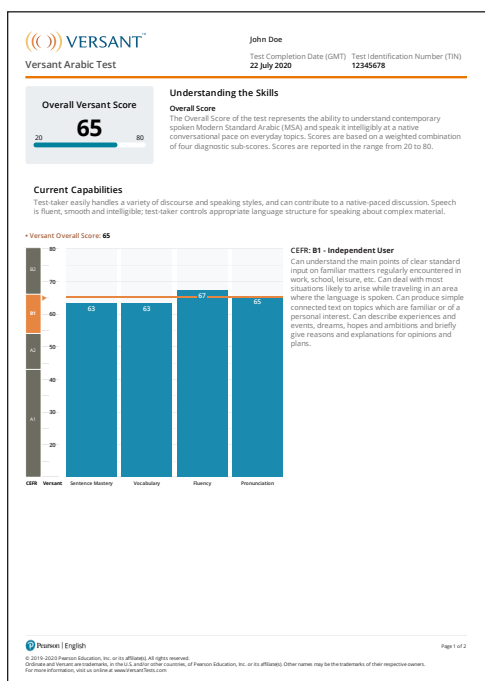
Score
Precise score in the range of 20 to 80
- Overall score
- Diagnostic subscores in sentence mastery, vocabulary, fluency, and pronunciation
- Detailed explanation of language capabilities

Test Security
- Secure capture and storage of candidate responses
- Anonymous test ID numbers to ensure data privacy
- Random test form to prevent cheating

The score report is available within minutes and includes the candidate's overall score and subscores, with detailed explanations of language capabilities.

U.S. Department of Defense Adopts Versant Arabic Test

The U.S. Department of Defense's Defense Language Institute (DLI) selected Pearson to create a new language assessment, the Versant Arabic Test, to quickly and accurately evaluate spoken Arabic language skills.

Simple Test Administration – 1, 2, 3, 4

1 The test administrator provides the test taker with the test instructions and test paper.

2 The test taker enters their unique test ID in the secure Versant testing program to start the test.

3 The test taker answers the test questions and the answers are scored automatically.

4 The test administrator retrieves the test taker's score from the online reporting system.

Compare the Difference

Conventional Tests	Versant Arabic Test
Questionable consistency	Proven reliability
Limited times, locations	Anytime and anywhere
Results in days or weeks	Results in minutes
Complicated test	Easy administration portal
High cost	Cost effective

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