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Abbreviations

ACTFL	American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages
AERA	American Educational Research Association
ALTE	Association of Language Testers in Europe
AOG	Assessment & Operations Group
APA	American Psychological Association
AUA	Assessment Use Argument
AWL	Academic Word List
BC	British Council
BEC	Business English Certificates
BULATS	Business Language Testing Service
CAE	Certificate in Advanced English (Cambridge English: Advanced)
CASE	Cambridge Assessment of Spoken English
CB	Computer Based
CBT	Computer Based Testing
C–C	Candidate–Candidate
CEF	Common European Framework
CEFR	Common European Framework of Reference for Languages
CELS	Certificates in English Language Skills
CELTA	Certificate in Teaching English to speakers of other languages
CET	College English Test
CIEP	Centre International d’Etudes Pédagogiques
CIS	Candidate Information Sheet
CLA	Communicative Language Ability
CoE	Council of Europe
COPI	Computer Oral Proficiency Interview
CPE	Certificate of Proficiency in English (Cambridge English: Proficiency)
CRELLA	Centre for Research in English Language Learning and Assessment
CUP	Cambridge University Press
DELTA	Diploma in English Language Teaching to Adults
DIALANG	Diagnostic Language (Assessment)
DIF	differential item functioning
EALTA	European Association of Language Testing and Assessment
EAP	English for Academic Purposes

Abbreviations

EAQUALS	European Association for Quality Language Services
ECD	Evidence-Centered Design
EFA	Exploratory Factor Analysis
EFL	English as a Foreign Language
ESL	English as a Second Language
ESOL	English for Speakers of Other Languages
ESP	English for Special Purposes
ETS	Educational Testing Service
FACETS	Multi-faceted Rasch Measurement analysis program
FCE	First Certificate in English (Cambridge English: First)
FSI	Foreign Service Institute
GENOVA	Generalisability theory analysis program
iBTOEFL	Internet Based Test of English as a Foreign Language
ICFE	International Certificate in Financial English
IDP	International Development Program
IELTS	International English Language Testing System
IIS	IELTS Impact Study
ILEC	International Legal English Certificate
ILTA	International Language Testing Association
IOE	Instructions to Oral Examiners
ISE	Instructions to Speaking Examiners
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
IWG	Item Writer Guidelines
JLTA	Japan Language Testing Association
KET	Key English Test (Cambridge English: Key)
L1	First Language
L2	Second Language
LCE	Lower Certificate in English
LIBS	Local Item Banking System
LMS	Lower Main Suite
MFRM	multi-faceted Rasch measurement
MPRs	Minimum Professional Requirements
NCLB	No Child Left Behind Act
NCME	National Council on Measurement in Education
OPI	Oral Proficiency Interview
PET	Preliminary English Test (Cambridge English: Preliminary)
PL2000	Progetto Lingue 2000
PRC	People’s Republic of China
PSL	Professional Support Leader
PTE	Pearson Test of English
QA	Quality Assurance
Q&A	Question and answer
QPP	Question Paper Production

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RTL	Regional Team Leader
SE	Speaking Examiner
SEM	Structural Equation Modelling
SETC	Speaking Examiner Trainer/Co-ordinator
SIA	Social Impact Assessment
SiLT	Studies in Language Testing
SLA	Second language acquisition
SOPi	Simulated Oral Proficiency Interview
SPEAK	Institutional version of TSE
TBL	task-based learning
TESOL	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
TKT	Teaching Knowledge Test
TL	Target Language
TL	Team Leader
TLU	Target Language Use
TOEFL	Test of English as a Foreign Language
TSE	Test of Spoken English
TTCs	Test taker characteristics
TWE	Test of Written English
UCLES	University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate
UMS	Upper Main Suite (i.e. FCE, CAE and CPE)
VOIP	Voice over Internet Protocol
VPA	Verbal Protocol Analysis
VRIP	Validity, Reliability, Impact, Practicality
WEAVER	A model of word-form encoding in speech production
YLE	Young Learners English Tests