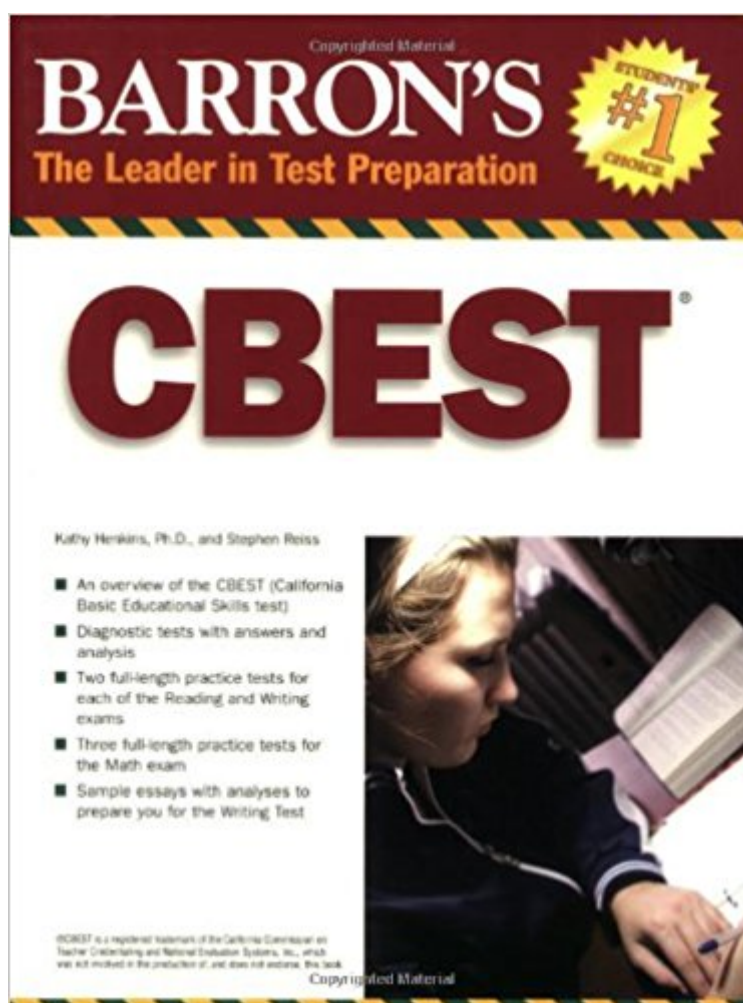


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# Barron's CBEST: California Basic Educational Skills Test (Barron's How To Prepare For The Cbest California Basic Educational Skills Test)



## Synopsis

This brand-new manual prepares prospective teachers in the California public school system to pass all three sections of the required statewide test: Reading, Math, and Writing. Following a general introduction and overview of the CBEST, the authors present diagnostic tests in reading and math, both with answers and analysis. Each diagnostic is followed by a full-length test that is much like the Reading and Math tests on the actual CBEST. Both tests come with answer sheets and answer keys. The book's following chapter covers the Writing Test, and presents example essays with an analysis pointing out the strengths and weaknesses of each. The book concludes with additional brief practice tests and answer keys.

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## Customer Reviews

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The CBEST Barron's™ was the best! I got 5 books to prepare for my test and by far this was the closest to the actual test. This is the only one you will need.

This was a very helpful resource. I plan on going with Barron's for the CSET study guide as well.

The book was user friendly and organized well.

I liked this study guide because it had the exact same type of questions that are on the test for both the math and reading sections. The study guide then shows you and gives you tips on how to approach the questions. At first i thought the questions were too simple and the test was going to be a lot tougher than the study guide made it seem like, but in my opinion they weren't that much different.

This book overall is a good way to study for the CBEST, however there are many errors in the answers section that makes you wonder if this source is truly reliable or not. I am about to take the CBEST soon and wonder how these questions will compare to the book. The Kaplan CBEST however had questions that seem to be much harder and feels like a more reliable study source.

Thanks for the speedy delivery. Great condition! very happy with this product. Thank you.

Only purchase this book if you want to be forced to do the publisher's proof reading for them. Sentences end as if someone just got tired of typing...and obviously the proof readers were asleep. The pie chart graphs in the sample tests key on various shades of grey, and are indistinguishable and frequently wrong making it nearly impossible to divine the correct answer. Sample test answers are correctly derived in the answer sections, but the letters in the sample test answer keys are frequently transcribed wrong. You'll only discover this if you actually go through and work the problems in the explanation section and discover that the answer key is incorrect. In my experience, about 10% of the answers in the sample test keys are wrong. I just took the CBEST test and found that, fortunately, the test is prepared more professionally than this study guide. If you can work your way through the guide, you'll probably pass. However, you'll waste lots of time correcting errors. I'd recommend another guide! Don't select the thinnest study guide...this one....like I did.

I don't even think I will be able to finish using this book as a study tool as I have already come across so many errors that I saw someone has stated previously. I am unsure if the information provided (the book is also older) is even accurate and not sure that it is going to be helpful for studying since I am finding myself more confused from the errors. I recommend the Kaplan CBEST study book!!

I was panicking because I had to take the CBEST. I figured the reading and writing sections would be easy enough, but the thought of taking the math section paralyzed me. I was never very good in math and the idea of revisiting fractions and decimals, sans calculator, was terrifying. The Barron's CBEST book helped me pass the CBEST math section with a healthy cushion. The explanations were easy to understand and the games and puzzles were a hoot!. They were corny and silly, yet I could not wait for the next one. They made the very tedious parts of the review a lot of fun.

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