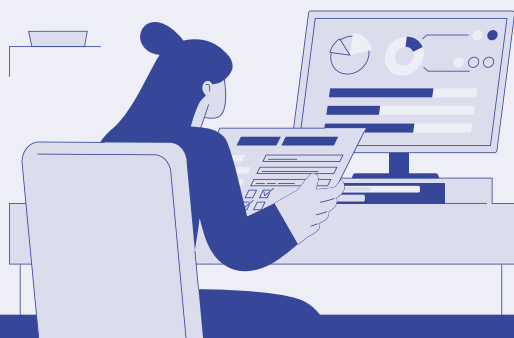


Myth vs. Fact

Understanding the Casper Test

CASPER
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Myth Casper is just a high-stakes hurdle.

Fact Casper adds context to your GPA and other standardized test scores, showing programs how you think and navigate complex interpersonal situations.

Casper is designed to highlight your non-technical strengths, not eliminate you from consideration.

Myth The score I get is opaque and meaningless.

Fact You receive a quartile ranking showing how your performance compares to other applicants who took the same Casper test within the same admissions cycle.

Your quartile placement reflects how your responses were rated relative to others who responded to the same Casper scenarios.



Myth My Casper results vary too much between cycles to be reliable.

Fact Each Casper test is carefully designed and reviewed by internal and external subject matter experts to ensure consistency across test instances and regularly reviewed to support fair evaluation. Research comparing results across test attempts shows that, on average, scores are consistent and only a small proportion of repeat testers have significant score changes.

Some score variation between test dates can happen for a range of reasons, such as fluctuating levels of confidence on test day or developing your skills and experience over time.

Myth Success on Casper depends mostly on how fast I type.

Fact What matters most is how thoughtfully you work through each scenario and respond with solutions that articulate your plan to demonstrate social intelligence and professionalism. Raters focus on the rationale and quality of your responses, not typing speed, response length alone, format, spelling, or grammar.

You can take the free Casper practice test as often as you like to become more comfortable with Casper's timed response format. If typing isn't a strength for you, free online typing resources may help you feel more comfortable responding under time constraints.



Myth Casper doesn't predict anything.

Fact Research shows Casper scores correlate with various aspects of professional behavior during training and interview performance.

Casper measures aspects of social intelligence and professionalism.

Myth Casper is scored by AI.

Fact All responses are evaluated by trained human raters who follow structured scoring guidelines, not AI.

Human raters are trained, certified annually, and monitored to ensure consistent scoring.



Myth I have to purchase expensive test prep to do well.

Fact Casper is designed to elicit authentic responses. The free practice test from Acuity Insights provides the most effective preparation to help you get familiar with the format, timing, and overall Casper test experience, including both typed and video responses. It is not intended to reflect the specific content or level of difficulty of your actual test.

Acuity Insights is not affiliated with any third-party Casper test preparation tools or courses. Applicants who use third-party prep, or don't prepare at all, often perform worse than those who use the official free materials.

Myth Casper isn't accessible if I have a disability, functional limitation, or temporary medical condition.

Fact Tailored accommodations, like extra time, alternative formats or assistive technology, are available for applicants who qualify for them. Requests are confidential and require documentation from a qualified professional, and must be submitted at least four weeks before your test.

Applicants who need accommodations can request them by submitting an Accommodations Request Form before the test.

Myth I can't afford Casper, so I can't apply.

Fact Casper test fees are waived or reduced for eligible applicants who have qualified for a Fee Assistance Program (FAP).

Fee assistance is available through program-specific waivers from application systems or government-linked programs.

Myth If I memorize key phrases and give the "right" response, I'll score well.

Fact There are no "right" answers or keywords that boost your score. Research shows stronger Casper responses thoughtfully work through complex situations, consider different perspectives, explain decisions clearly, and demonstrate professionalism and sound judgment.

Your thought process matters most. Explaining why you would approach a situation a certain way is just as important as the action you would take, helping demonstrate aspects of your social intelligence and professionalism.