Versant scores are aligned to the Global Scale of English (GSE). The GSE runs from 10 to 90, with clear statements of what a learner can achieve at any point on the scale.

Overall Versant Score

73

20

80

CEFR: C1

Candidate speaks and understands at native-speaker speeds with minimal effort, and can contribute readily to a native-paced discussion at length, maintaining the colloquial flow. Speech is fluent and intelligible. Candidate has consistent mastery of complex language structures. Candidate reads and writes at native-speaker speeds, and can readily produce written texts for most purposes. Writing is generally effective and clear.

Understanding the Skills

Overall Score

The Overall score of the test represents the ability to understand spoken and written English and respond appropriately in speaking and writing on everyday topics, at an appropriate pace and in intelligible English. Scores are based on a weighted combination of the four skill scores.

Versant

Pearson's Versant tests have for many years expressed second language performance on a 20-80 scale. The Global Scale of English is now used for many of these tests.

Versant 73/80 is equivalent to GSE 81/90

Additional Performance Indicators

Typing Speed

35 words per minute

Typing speed is the number of words typed in one minute in the Typing task. For a valid Writing score, candidates should type faster than 12 WPM.

Typing Accuracy

91% words typed accurately

Typing accuracy refers to the percentage correctly typed in the Typing task. For a valid Writing score, candidates should have at least 90% accuracy.
Current Capabilities in Detail

**Speaking:** Versant: 78/80  GSE: 84/90  CEFR: C1
Candidate generally produces accurate and meaningful sentences. Candidate speaks with appropriate rhythm and phrasing and produces most vowels and consonants clearly.

**Tips to improve:**
- Practice monitoring your speech for grammatical accuracy, quickly substituting an equivalent term for a word you can't recall.
- Practice explaining the steps of how to do something, using word stress and intonation to guide listeners to notice significant points.

**Listening:** Versant: 77/80  GSE: 84/90  CEFR: C1
Candidate follows most of what is said around him/her on most topics, although occasionally some information may be lost.

**Tips to improve:**
- Practice actively listening to spoken language delivered at fast speeds, such as TED Talks.
- Practice listening to complex podcasts and extracting the important details.

**Writing:** Versant: 66/80  GSE: 73/90  CEFR: B2+
Candidate writes clear, connected texts on a variety of subjects using a sufficient range of grammatical structures and a good range of common English words.

**Tips to improve:**
- Practice writing a letter of complaint about an unpleasant experience you have had at a store or restaurant, including details and your desired outcome.
- Practice writing a review about a movie or book, including examples to support your opinion.

**Reading:** Versant: 70/80  GSE: 78/90  CEFR: C1
Candidate reads, understands and responds to texts on everyday topics at a fast, functional pace. Occasionally some details may be lost.

**Tips to improve:**
- Practice reading several news articles on the same subject from different authors and synthesizing the information as well as explaining any differences.
- Find a blog or online discussion board on an unfamiliar topic and read a little every day.

Understanding the Skills

**Speaking**
Speaking reflects the ability to produce English phrases and clauses in complete sentences. The score is based on the ability to produce consonants, vowels, and stress in a native-like manner, use accurate syntax, use words appropriately in contexts, and use appropriate rhythm, phrasing, and timing.

**Listening**
Listening reflects the ability to understand specific details and main ideas from everyday English speech. The score is based on the ability to track meaning and infer the message from English that is spoken at a conversational pace.

**Writing**
Writing reflects the ability to produce written English texts on everyday topics. The score is based on the ability to present ideas and information in a clear and logical sequence, use a wide range of appropriate words as well as a variety of sentences structures.

**Reading**
Reading reflects the ability to understand written English texts on everyday topics. The score is based on the ability to operate at functional speeds to extract meaning, infer the message, and respond appropriately.