

STA Marking Scheme Error

An error has been identified in the marking scheme of one of the professional skills tests for prospective teachers.

The error applied to a marking scheme for one of the literacy skills tests and has resulted in a small number of candidates failing their test when they should have passed. More detail is available within the [Written Ministerial Statement](#) laid in the Houses of Parliament on 11th April 2019.

The table below presents the number of candidates we know have been affected by the marking scheme error since 2014, of which 528 have subsequently gone onto pass.

Year	Total No. of Affected Candidates
2014	179
2015	199
2016	118
2017	200
2018	0
Totals	696

The Standards and Testing Agency do not release information about test questions and answers, however we can confirm that the marking scheme incorrectly scored the answer to a multiple choice question.

PSI are now in the process of contacting affected candidates using the last available contact details they held.

If you think you are affected and your details have changes or if you have any concerns regarding the notification please contact the skills test helpline by emailing STAMarkingQuery@psionline.com.

