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Did you pass the exam? *

- Yes
- No

If you did not pass, what was your score out of 80?

45

Is this your first time taking the exam?

- Yes, this is my first time taking the PE exam.
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