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I have been a practicing dentist for 23 years. I have had 1 efta assistant for 21 years and I lost a different efta assistant of 9 years to dental hygienist school 6 months ago. I have had an add for an efta assistant for many months offering 25\$/hour starting with full medical, 401k retirement and vacation pay but still I am still looking. I am currently training 2 staff members to become assistants, I have trained multiple efta assistants in the past. Both current trainees have failed the radiology written test even though they have taken classes for them. In my opinion the written test has no benefit or safety value. It is slowing down training of new efta assistants and hurting the profession.