Lists of Tests

NOTE: This is not an exhaustive list of tests, nor is it intended to be a recommended list of tests.

The abbreviation c.a. refers to the chronological age span recommended by the test publisher.

1. **Computerised Tests**

2. **Diagnostic Reading Tests**

3. **Dyslexia Screening Tests**

4. **Early Screening Tests**

5. **Group Reading Comprehension Tests**

6. **Group / Individual Spelling Tests**

7. **Individual Sentence Reading Tests**

8. **Individual Word Recognition Tests**

9. **Individual Reading Comprehension Tests**

10. **Mathematics/Number Tests**

11. **Phonological Tests**

12. **Reading / Listening Comprehension Tests**

13. **Speech and Language Tests**

14. **School-based Tests of General Ability**

15. **Some Tests for Adults**

1. **Computerised Tests**

   · Lucid CoPS (Cognitive Profiling System) Baseline Assessment - Singleton. (ca 4 to 5 ½ years) assesses ability in literacy, mathematics, communication skills and personal and social skills. Lucid Technologies.

   · Lucid CoPS (Cognitive Profiling System) – Singleton. (ca 4 to 8 years) computerised, diagnostic screening of: phonological awareness, auditory discrimination, visual memory, auditory-verbal memory, sequencing and colour discrimination. Lucid Technologies.

   · LASS (Lucid Assessment Systems for Schools) Junior - Singleton. (ca 8 to 11 years) computerised, multifunctional assessment of: visual memory, auditory-verbal memory, phonic skills, phonological skills, single word reading, sentence reading, spelling and reasoning. Lucid Technologies.

Lexia Comprehensive Reading Test (ca 5-18) computerised assessment of: phonological awareness, phonics and reading skills, sight words, reading comprehension, rate, and fluency. Lexia Learning Systems.

Lexia Quick Reading Test (ca 5-18) - computerised assessment of: alphabet skills, word attack skills, and automaticity with sight words. Lexia Learning Systems.

Quickscan (third level) - computerised screening tool that identifies learning styles, study needs, and the likelihood of dyslexia. Interactive Services, Ltd.


Superspell Assessment Disk (6 years to adult): assesses user’s stage of spelling development and identifies specific spelling weaknesses. 4mation.

2. Diagnostic Reading Tests

Diagnostic Reading Record (c.a. 6 - 11) [uses miscue analysis] Arnold, Hodder & Stoughton, 1992.

Macmillan Diagnostic Reading Pack (c.a. 5 - 9) Ames, NFER-Nelson, 1991.

QUEST II, Screening, Diagnostic and Remediation Kit (c.a. 7 – 8) Robertson et al, Arnold & Wheaton, 1995.


Sandwell Group Phonics Test (c.a. 7-9) Muggeridge and Bowen, NASEN, 1990

3. Dyslexia Screening Tests

Bangor Dyslexia Test (all ages) Miles, LDA, 1983.


Dyslexia Screening Test (c.a. 6 ½ - 16) (subtests include One minute reading, Two minute spelling, One minute writing, Diagnostic tests, Rapid naming, Bead threading, Postural stability, Phonemic segmentation, Backwards digit span (audio tape), Nonsense passage reading and Verbal and semantic fluency) Nicholson & Fawcett, The Psychological Corporation, 1996.

Group Screening Tests for Identifying Pupils at Risk with Specific Learning Disabilities (Level Alpha: c.a. 4 ½ - 7; Level A: c.a. 8 - 9; Level B: c.a. 11 - 12; Level C: c.a. 13; Level D: c.a. 16+) Ann
4. Early Screening Tests

- Base-line Assessment for NL. CCEA, 2000. (c.a. 4).
- Belfield Infant Assessment Profile (c.a. 4 – 7) Spelman & McHugh, Folens, 1994.
- Bury Infant Check (including language, learning styles, memory, number and perceptual motor skills) (c.a. 4.1-5.6) Pearson & Quinn, NFER-Nelson, 1986.
- Early Literacy Test (c.a. 4:6 – 7:5) (including book and story concepts, word recognition skills and knowledge of sounds and letters) Hodder and Stoughton, 2000.
- Infant Index (c.a. 4 – 5+) Desforges & Lindsay, Hodder & Stoughton, 1996.
- LARR Test of Emergent Literacy (Linguistic Awareness in Reading Readiness) (c.a.: 4-5) NFER-Nelson, 1993.
- Middle Infants Screening Test (& Forward Together) (c.a. 5 - 6) (a practical screening tool which focuses on reading and writing skills and provides a comprehensive screening, diagnostic and recovery package) Hannavy, NFER-Nelson, 1993.
- PIP Developmental Charts (c.a. 0 - 5) (including physical development, social development, eye–hand development, development of play and language development) Hodder & Stoughton, 1998.
- QUEST II, Screening, Diagnostic and Remediation Kit (c.a. 7 – 8) Robertson et al, Arnold & Wheaton, 1995.

5. Group Reading Comprehension Tests

- Group Reading Test II (GRT II) (c.a. 6:0 -15:3) NFER Nelson, 1998.
- Macmillan Group Reading Test (c.a. 8 – 16) NFER-Nelson, 1990.
- Macmillan Group Reading Test (c.a. 9 – 14) {available as sentence completion or context comprehension} NFER-Nelson, 1990.
- MICRA-T (Mary Immaculate College Reading Attainment Test) – Wall and Burke (Level 1: Sr. infants – 1st class; Level 2: 1st – 3rd class; Level 3: 4th – 6th class) Fallons, 1988. (revised version due)
Richmond Tests of Basic Skills, 2nd ed. (c.a. 8-14)(basic curriculum areas, such as vocabulary, reading, language, studying skills and mathematics) Hieronymus et al, NFER-Nelson, 1988

The Suffolk Reading Scale, 2nd ed. (multiple-choice, sentence completion; 2 parallel forms; 3 levels: c.a. 6 – 7, c.a. 8 – 10 & c.a. 11 – 14) NFER-Nelson, 2001.

Wide Span Reading Test – revised (c.a. 7 –14) Brimer, NFER-Nelson, 1984

6. **Group / Individual Spelling Tests**
   - British Spelling Test Series 1 – 5 (c.a. 5 – 24) NFER-Nelson, 1996.
   - Diagnostic Spelling Test (c.a. 7 – 11) (seven sub-tests) Vincent & Claydon, NFER-Nelson, 1982.
   - Drumcondra Primary Spelling Test (6 levels for primary classes 1 – 6). Educational research Centre, Dublin, 2003.
   - Parallel Spelling Tests (c.a. 6 – 15) Young, Hodder & Stoughton, 1983.

7. **Individual Sentence Reading Tests**
   - Salford Sentence Reading. Hodder and Stoughton, 2000 (c.a. 6.10 – 11.9)

8. **Individual Word Recognition Tests**

9. **Individual Reading Comprehension Tests**
   - Macmillan Individual Reading Analysis (c.a. 5 – 10) Vincent & de la Mare, NFER-Nelson, 1990.
   - Neale Analysis of Reading Ability - Revised (c.a. 5 – 13) (rate, accuracy and comprehension of reading with miscue analysis) NFER-Nelson, 1989.
   - The New Reading Analysis (NRA) (oral reading ability and comprehension) (c.a.: 6.5–12.4 years) NFER-Nelson, 1985)

10. **Mathematics/Number Tests**
11. **Phonological Tests**

- Phonological Assessment Battery - Frederickson et al, (c.a.: 6-15) (subtests include alliteration, rhyme, spoonerisms, non-word reading, naming speed (pictures and digits), fluency (alliteration, rhyme and semantic) NFER-Nelson, 1995.

- Phonological Abilities Test (c.a. 4 - 7) Muter, Hulme & Snowling The Psychological Corporation, 1991.

- Preschool and Primary Inventory of Phonological Awareness (c.a. 3 – 6 11/12- Dodd et al.


12. **Reading / Listening Comprehension Tests**


13. **Speech and Language Tests**

- The AFASIC Language Checklists (screening for speech and language difficulties) (c.a. 6 -10) LDA, 1999.

14. **School-based Tests of General Ability**


- Drumcondra Reasoning Test (assessment of verbal and numerical reasoning for 1st and 2nd year post-primary pupils) Educational research Centre, Dublin, 1998.


- **Non-Verbal only**: Matrix Analogies Test (c.a. 5 – 16) (short form) - Naglieri, Charles Merrill Pubs., Columbus, Ohio.

- **Non-Verbal only**: Non-Verbal Reasoning Test Series (c.a. 8 -9, 10 – 11 & 12 – 13) Smith & Hagues, NFER-Nelson, 1993.

Verbal only: Non-Reading Intelligence Tests 1 - 3 (c.a.: 6.4-13.11) (four orally-presented, verbal subtests) - D. Young, Hodder & Stoughton, 1989.

Verbal only: British Picture Vocabulary Scale II {receptive vocabulary; long form} (c.a. 3 - 15.8) Dunn et al, NFER-Nelson, 1997


Verbal only: Verbal Reasoning Test Series. (c.a.: 7:3 – 14:3) NFER-Nelson, 1993.


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