

Equitable Assessment Using the Naglieri General Ability Tests: Verbal, Nonverbal and Quantitative



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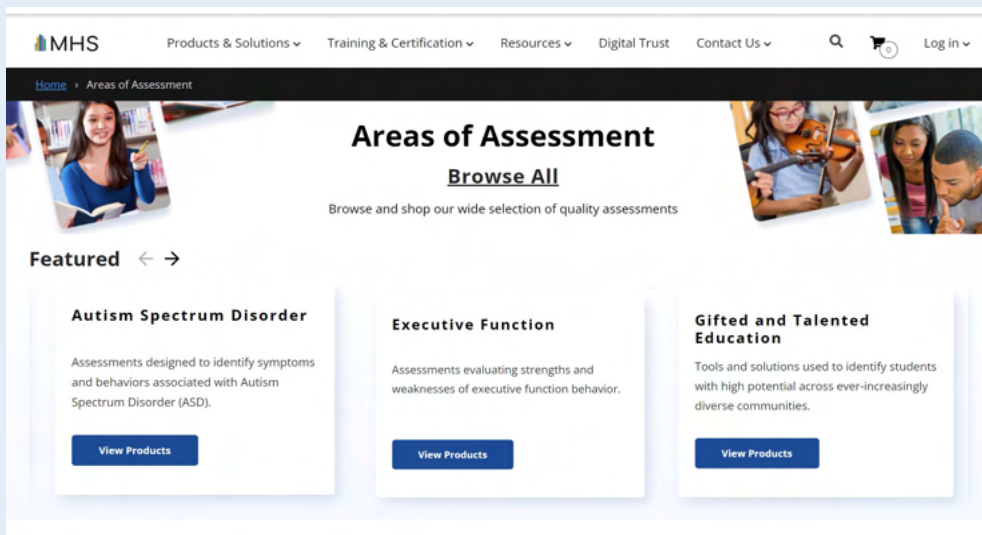


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Did you Ever Wonder Why...

- Why we have Vocabulary questions on an intelligence test?
- Why do we have Arithmetic word problems on our intelligence tests
- Shouldn't an intelligence test have different types of tests than an achievement test?

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Traditional IQ and Achievement Tests

- Working as a school psychologist in 1975 I noticed that items on the WISC we were VERY similar to parts of the achievement tests
 - The *Peabody Individual Achievement Test* (1970) had a General Information and Arithmetic subtests JUST LIKE THE WISC!
 - THAT DID NOT MAKE SENSE
 - In 1977 → UGA for Ph.D. With Alan Kaufman who said VIQ=achievement



1975 Charles Champagne Elementary, Bethpage, NY

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My Feelings - Confirmed

- Teaching intellectual assessment to school psychology students at Northern Arizona University
- Was it reasonable to measure 'intelligence' with questions that required knowledge?
- Testing in Havasupai answered that question



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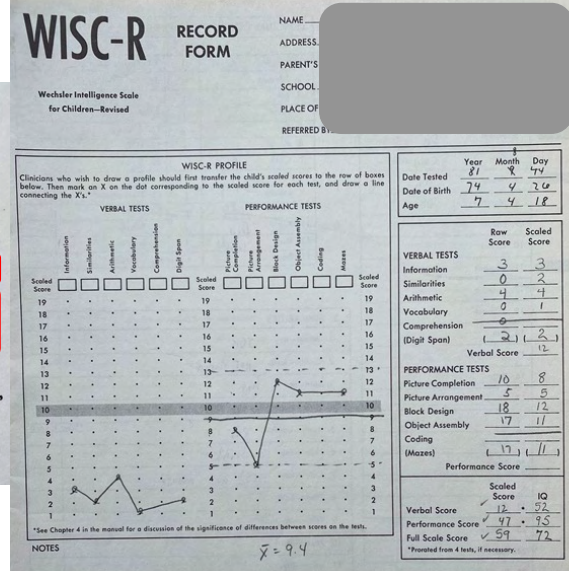
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Test Results and Interpretations:

On the WISC-R, Amanda earned a Performance IQ of 95±7 which falls in the average range of intelligence and at the 37th percentile rank in comparison to the children her age in the standardization sample. In contrast to this score of average non-verbal intelligence was her Verbal IQ of 52±7. This score is quite low and indicates that her level of facility with the English language falls at about the 1st percentile rank. This score can NOT be considered an estimate of verbal intelligence because Amanda speaks mostly Supai and little English. Due to the large difference between these scores, no Full Scale IQ was computed.

Within the WISC-R a clear pattern emerged: Amanda performed well on tasks that required little or no English language comprehension or expression, and poorly on all tasks which did require these linguistic skills. In fact, even if a task was visual and non-verbal, but required English language comprehension of instructions, she performed more poorly.

WISC-V Full Scale				
Verbal Comprehension	Visual Spatial	Fluid Reasoning	Working Memory	Processing Speed
Similarities	Block Design	Matrix Reasoning	Digit Span	Coding
Vocabulary	Visual Puzzles	Figure Weights	Picture Span	Symbol Search
Information		Picture Concepts	Letter-Number Sequencing	Cancellation
Comprehension		Arithmetic		

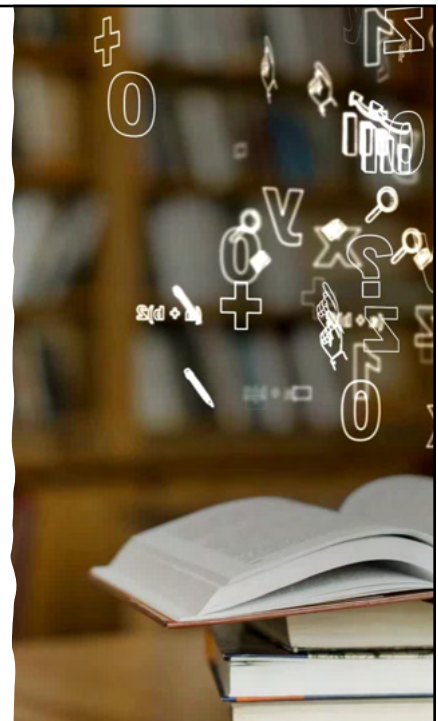


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I realized that we should measure intelligence in a way that was not dependent on knowledge

This was the start of my efforts to address the need for fair assessment of ability – I saw an injustice and wanted to do something to improve the tools we use



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Naglieri's Nonverbal Tests: 1985 to Present

• Research on Six Versions of the Naglieri Nonverbal Tests



Each of these versions of the NNAT showed similar scores by RACE, ETHNICITY, & SEX and had strong correlation with achievement

This research convinced me that measuring intelligence using test questions that measured how well a student can think was a valid and equitable way to measure general intelligence 'g'.

Tests with Equity as a Goal 1985-Present

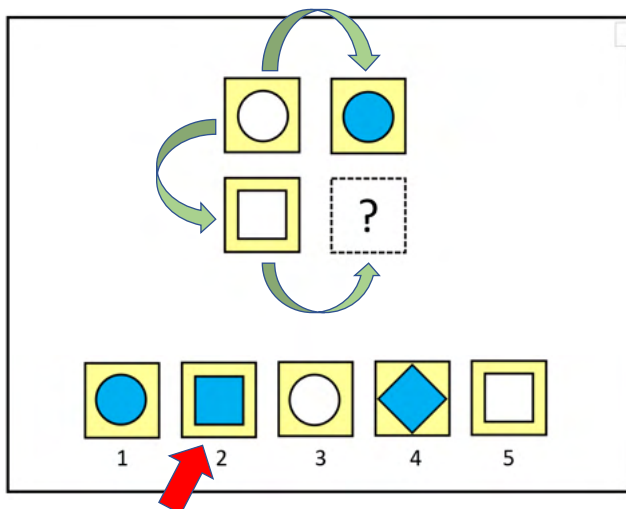
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Tests that Measure Thinking or Knowing?



Girl is woman as
boy is to man ?

3 is to 6 as
5 is to 10 ?

C⁷ is to F as
E⁷ is to A ?

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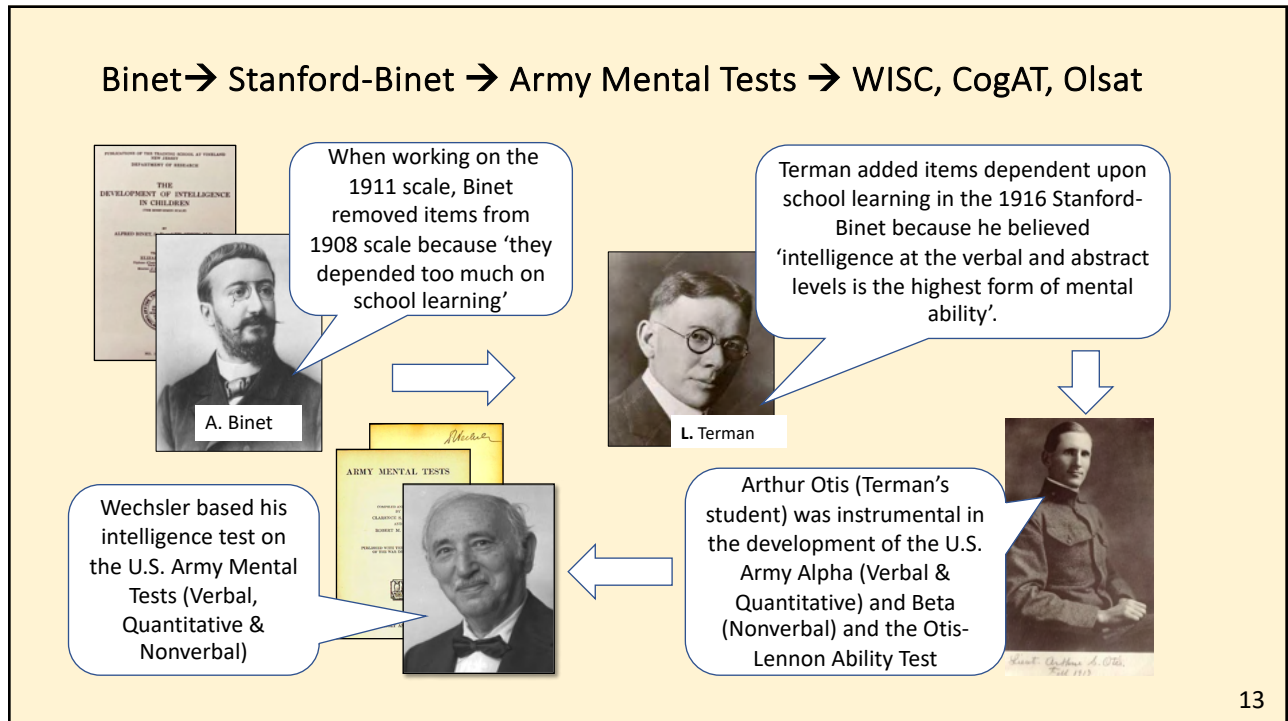
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The History of IQ tests

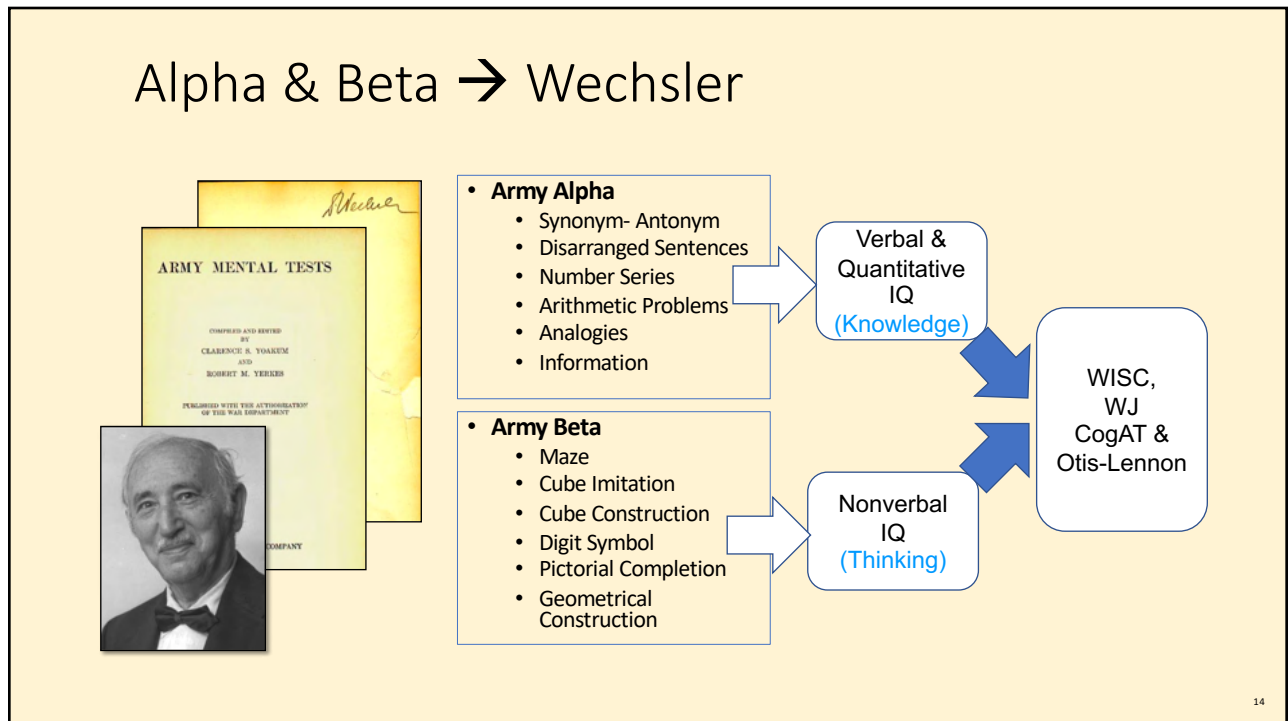


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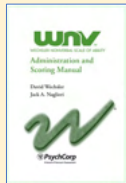
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Wechsler's View of General ability

- Wechsler “believed that his Verbal and Performance Scales represented different ways to access **g (general ability)**”, but **he never believed [in verbal and] nonverbal intelligence** as being separate from g. Rather he saw the **Performance Scale as the most sensible way** to measure the general intelligence of people with ... limited proficiency in English. (Kaufman, 2008)



“The aggregate or global capacity of the individual to act purposefully, to think rationally, and to deal effectively with his environment (1939)”



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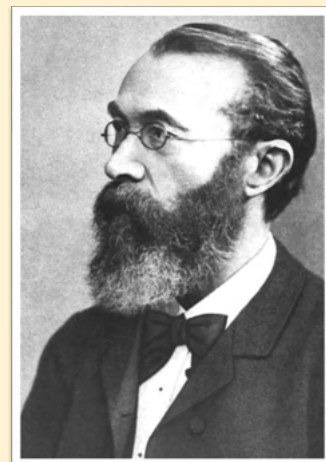
CONCEPT OF GENERAL INTELLIGENCE 61

The Criteria of a Test of Intelligence. — Influenced both by the theoretical discussion of general intelligence and by the empirical work of testing, we have arrived at certain requirements for a good test of intelligence, which we may discuss under the four following headings:

1. *Tests must be relatively new.* — A good intelligence test must avoid as much as possible anything that is commonly learned by the subjects tested. In a broad sense this rests upon a differentiation between knowledge and intelligence. To use as a test of intelligence something that is commonly taught in school is not desirable, because those children who have reached the particular grade in which this is generally taught have memorized this fact, whereas other children of equal or greater intelligence may have had no opportunity to learn this same fact, simply because they may not have reached this particular grade in their school work. To ask the question, “Who discovered America?” would be indicative of the school progress or general cultural environment of the child rather than of his general intelligence. Failure to answer might indeed be due to lack of intelligence in the case of school children of a certain grade in which this had been a matter of instruction, but on the other hand a very intelligent child might fail to answer owing to the fact of his not being in the grade in which this was taught.

Pintner (Intelligence Testing, 1923)

- This is a social justice issue for those from disadvantaged communities and those with limited education



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Knowledge is Included in “Ability” Tests

Stanford-Binet-5	WISC-V	WJ-IV	KABC-II	OLSAT	CogAT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal • Knowledge • Quantitative Reasoning • Vocabulary • Verbal Analogies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal Comprehension Vocabulary, Similarities, Information & Comprehension • Fluid Reasoning Figure Weights, Arithmetic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehension Knowledge: Vocabulary & General Information • Fluid Reasoning: Number Series & Concept Formation • Auditory Processing: Phonological Processing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge / GC • Riddles, • Expressive Vocabulary, • Verbal Knowledge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal • Following directions • Verbal Reasoning • Quantitative • Verbal Arithmetic Reasoning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal Scale • Analogies • Sentence Completion • Verbal Classification • Quantitative • 45 pages of oral instructions

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Woodcock-Johnson Cognitive & Achievement Tests (CHC)

Very Similar Items on “Different” Tests

<p>Cognitive: Oral Vocabulary #1 subtest has a question like this: Tell me another work for hot. Correct: Warm</p>	<p>Cognitive: Test #17B Reading Vocabulary-Antonyms subtest has a question like this: Tell me the opposite of up Correct: down</p>
<p>Achievement: Reading Vocabulary subtest #17 has a question like this: Tell me another work for Warm. Correct: Hot</p>	<p>Achievement Test #1C Verbal Comprehension-Antonyms has a question like this: Tell me the opposite of down. Correct: up</p>

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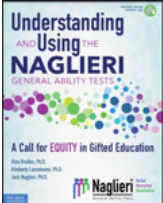


What is the Practical Impact of intelligence tests that are confounded by knowledge?

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Race and Ethnic Differences for *Traditional* and *Second-Generation* Intelligence Tests



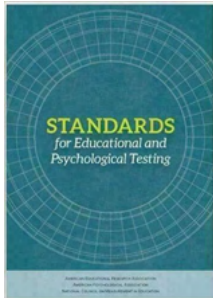
	By Race	By Ethnicity
TRADITIONAL Tests that require knowledge	9.4	6.4
Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (district wide)	13.6	-
Stanford-Binet IV (normative sample)	12.6	-
CogAT7 Nonverbal	11.8	7.6
WISC-V (normative sample)	11.6	-
WJ- III (normative sample)	10.9	10.7
K-ABC II Fluid-Crystallized Index	9.4	9.8
WISC-V (statistical controls normative sample)	8.7	5.4
K-ABC II Mental Processing Index	8.1	8.2
CogAT-Total (V, Q & NV)	7.0	4.5
CogAT7 - Verbal	6.6	5.3
CogAT- Nonverbal	6.4	2.9
CogAT7-Quantitative	5.6	3.6
SECOND GENERATION Tests that require minimal knowledge	4.5	2.5
CAS-2 (normative sample)	6.3	4.5
Naglieri General Ability Test-Verbal (Ns= 392 & 709)	6.2	1.0
Naglieri General Ability Test-Quantitative (Ns= 392 & 709)	5.5	4.4
CAS (statistical controls normative sample)	4.8	4.8
Naglieri General Ability Test-Nonverbal (Ns= 392 & 709)	4.4	0.3
CAS-2 (statistical controls normative sample)	4.3	1.8
Naglieri General Ability Test-Quantitative (N = 6,098)	4.3	2.9
NNAT (matched samples)	4.2	2.8
Naglieri General Ability Test-Verbal (N = 5,739)	4.2	1.3
Naglieri General Ability Test-Nonverbal (N=6,887)	3.5	0.9
CAS-2 Brief (normative samples)	2.0	2.8

Note: The results summarized here were reported for the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test by Aviant and O'Neal (1986); Stanford-Binet IV by Wasserman (2000); Woodcock-Johnson III race differences by Edwards and Oakland (2006) and ethnic differences by Sotelo-Dyrega, Ortiz, Flanagan, and Chaplin (2013); CogAT7 by Carman, Walther and Bartsch (2018) and Lohman (2016); WISC-V by Kaufman, Raiford, and Coalson (2016); Kaufman Assessment Battery for Children-II by Lichtenberger, Volkmer, Kaufman & Kaufman, (2006) and Scheiber, C., Kaufman, A.S. Which of the Three KABC-II Global Scores is the Least Biased?. *Journal of Pediatric Neuropsychology* 1, 21-35 (2015); CAS by Naglieri, Rojahn, Matto, and Aquilino (2005); CAS-2 and CAS2-Brief by Naglieri, Das, and Goldstein (2014a and 2014b); Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test by Naglieri and Ronning (2000), Naglieri General Ability Tests by Naglieri, Brulles, and Lansdowne (2022 & 2024) and Selvamamen et al., 2024 (in press).
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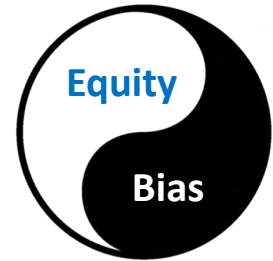
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Test Bias vs Test Equity

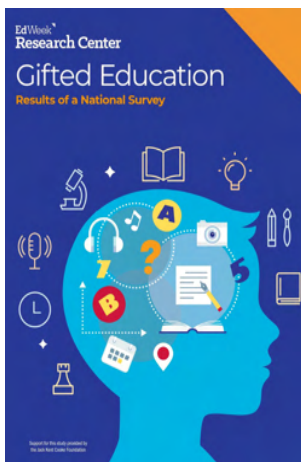
According to the *Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing* (AERA, APA, NCME, 2014) Psychometric TEST BIAS and EQUITY are two different ways of measuring test fairness.



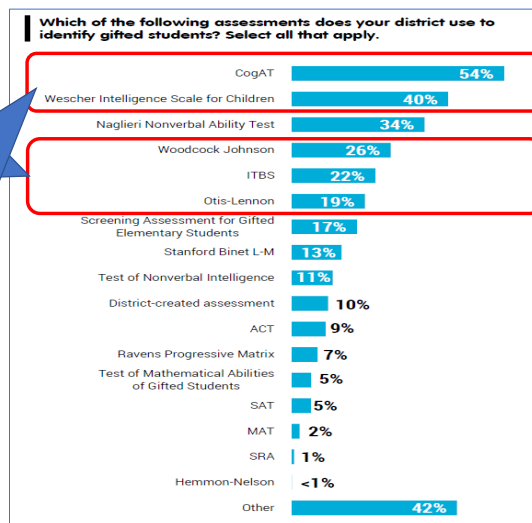
- ... if a person has had limited opportunities to learn the content in a test of intelligence, *that test may be considered unfair* (because it penalizes students for not knowing the answers) even if there is no evidence of psychometric test bias.
- Evidence of EQUITY is examined by test content and mean score differences



National Survey of Gifted Education



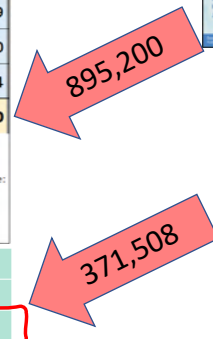
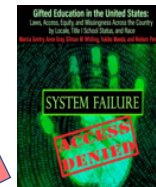
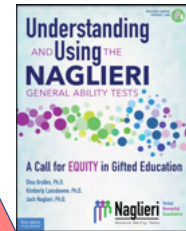
These tests have verbal and quantitative questions and lengthy verbal directions



Numbers of Gifted Students Missed = 1,266,708

Gifted Enrollment by Race and Ethnicity as of 2020 (updated 2024).				
	N in Public Education K-12 in 2020	N Potentially Gifted (8%; 92 percentile)	N Students in gifted programs	Difference Between Potential and Identified
White	23,834,458	1,906,757	1,937,350	30,593
Black	7,754,506	620,360	330,774	-289,586
Hispanic	14,337,467	1,146,997	600,498	-546,499
Native Americans	748,000	59,840	26,700	-33,140
Two or More Races	1,641,817	131,345	105,371	-25,974
Total Non-Whites	24,481,790	1,958,543	1,063,343	-895,200

1. Representation Ratio formula: N in Gifted Education / Potential N in Gifted Education.
 2. Total Enrollment data from Table 203.60. Enrollment and percentage distribution of enrollment in public elementary and secondary schools, by race/ethnicity and level of education: Fall 1999 through fall 2027. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/data/ipeds-tables/ipeds2027-tables/203.60.asp>
 3. Gifted Enrollment data from Table 204.80. Number of public-school students enrolled in gifted and talented programs, by sex, race/ethnicity, and state: Selected years, 2004 through 2013-14. <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/data/ipeds-tables/ipeds2014-tables/204.80.asp>
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 5. Native American data from: Steven C. Haas, Associate Director, Indigenous Students Leap Ahead (ISLA) Project.



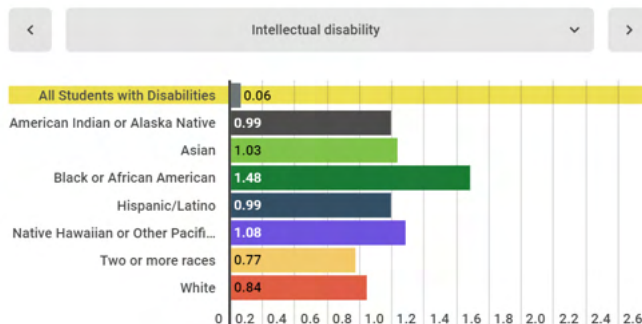
Percent of Schools that do not Identify	41.5%
Additional non-white gifted students = 41.5% of 895,200	N = 371,508
Total non-white gifted students missed	N = 1,266,708

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OSEP Fast Facts: Race and Ethnicity of Children with Disabilities Served under IDEA Part B

For the purposes of this fact sheet, racial ethnic groups are defined in the IDEA Part B Child Count and Educational Environments for School Year 2019-2020, OSEP Data Documentation. <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/osepidea/618-data/collection-documentation/data-documentation-files/part-b/child-count-and-educational-environment/idea-partb-childcountandedenvironment-2019-20.pdf>

Risk Ratio of Students with Disabilities by Disability Category and by Specific Race and Ethnicity, Ages 5 (in kindergarten) through 21: SY 2019-20



The relative risk ratio of students with disabilities under IDEA by race and Ethnicity is the probability of a student with a disability being identified for intellectual disability. The higher the number, the larger the probability. Nationally, **Black Students are 1.48 times more likely to be identified with intellectual disability** compared to all students with disabilities.

<https://sites.ed.gov/idea/osep-fast-facts-race-and-ethnicity-of-children-with-disabilities-served-under-idea-part-b/>
https://ldaamerica.org/lda_today/disproportionate-identification-of-students-of-color-in-special-education/

Equitable Assessment Using PASS Theory & CAS

- **White** children earned similar scores on the Verbal and Performance scales
- **Black** children earned lower VIQ than PIQ scores due to language / achievement tasks → low Full Scale
- **Black** children earned **higher** Full Scale scores on CAS than whites
- **Fewer** Black children would be identified as having intellectual disability based on Full Scale scores using CAS than WISC-III
- **THIS IS A SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUE.**

American Journal on Mental Retardation, 2001, Vol. 106, No. 4, 359-367

Intellectual Classification of Black and White Children in Special Education Programs Using the WISC-III and the Cognitive Assessment System

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Academic Learning Loss & COVID

- COVID-19 has increased the impact of disparities in access and opportunity for students of color and they are even further behind than they were before.
- Their **scores on traditional intelligence tests** which demand knowledge **are even more inaccurate.**
- **Solutions:**
 - For traditional tests, use post-COVID norms only.
 - Use intelligence tests that are not dependent upon knowledge

Education in a Pandemic: The Disparate Impacts of COVID-19 on America's Students. US Dept. of Ed- Office of Civil Rights. June, 21, 2021. <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/20210608-impacts-of-covid19.p>



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American Psychological Association Apology

- ‘APA recognizes the roles of psychology in promoting...racism, and the harms that have been inflicted on communities of color ...’
- ‘Psychologists created and promoted the widespread application of psychological tests that have been used to disadvantage many communities of color’
- ‘APA and its leadership failed to take action in response to calls from Black psychologists for an end to the misuse of tests developed by psychologists that perpetuated racial inequality...’
- ‘the ways measurement of intelligence has been systemically used to create the ideology of White supremacy’



Let's look at the early history of intelligence testing

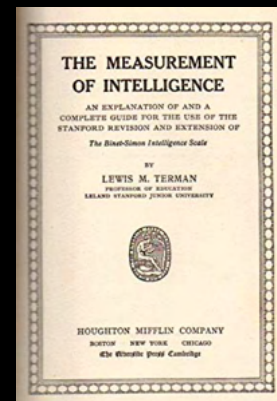
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Lewis Terman 1916 Stanford-Binet

- Author of the Stanford-Binet predicted that the test would reveal “significant racial differences in general intelligence...which cannot be wiped out by any scheme of mental culture.



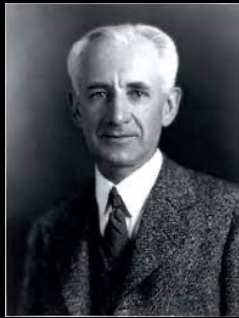
- His aim was identification of low intelligence children and adults who would be involuntarily institutionalized and sterilized for the improvement of society



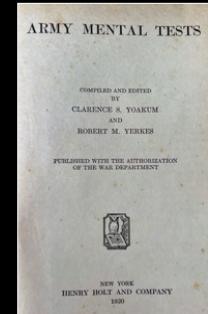
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Robert Yerkes – Army Mental Tests 1920



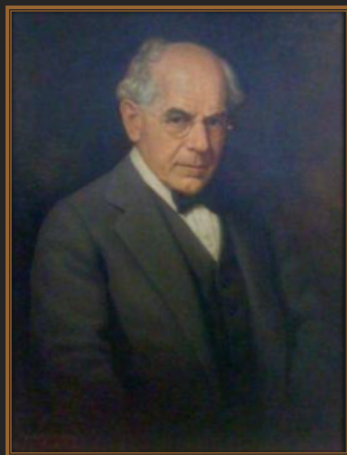
- Robert Yerkes, of Harvard University was president of the American Psychological Association
- and leader of the Eugenics Section of the American Breeders' Association's Committee on the Inheritance of Mental Traits
- which advocated institutional segregation and sterilization for persons with low intelligence.
- Co-author of the Army Mental Tests



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Raymond Cattell - 1933

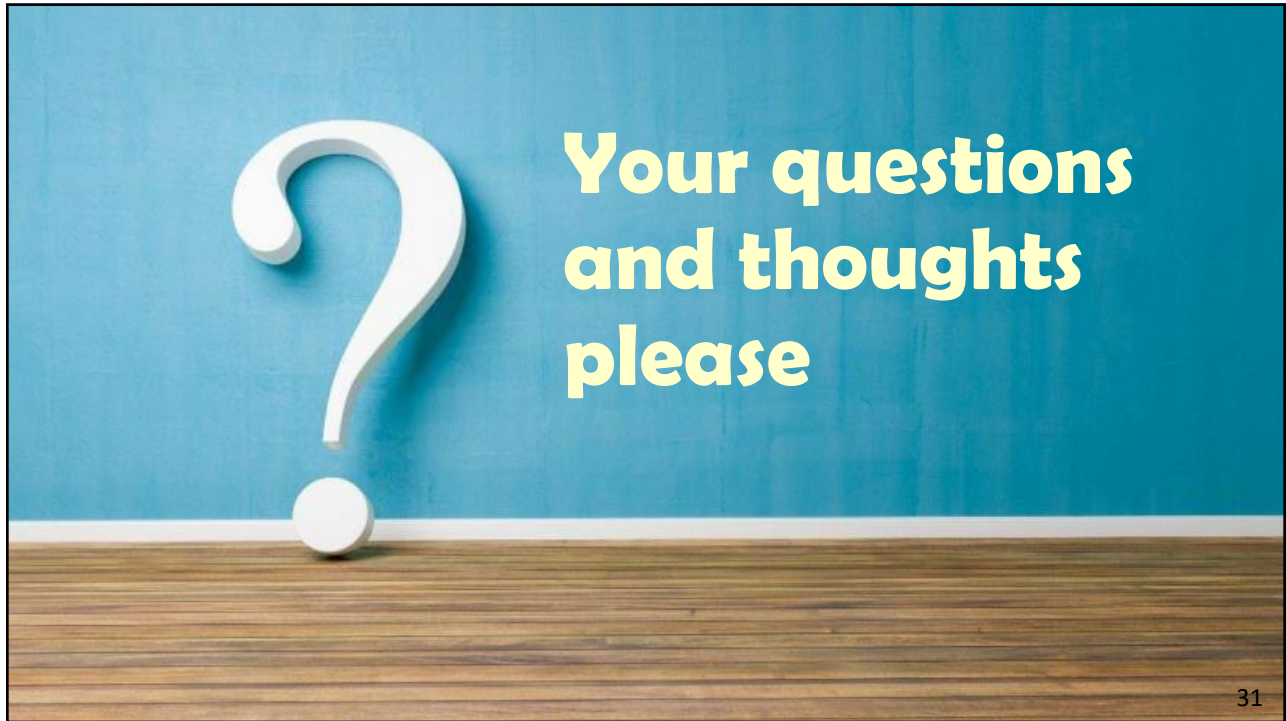


- Cattell spoke out against race mixing, and he lobbied to overturn the 1954 *Brown v. Board of Education*
- Cattell's portrait at corporate headquarters of The Psychological Corporation (now Pearson). He was instrumental in the formation of the company.

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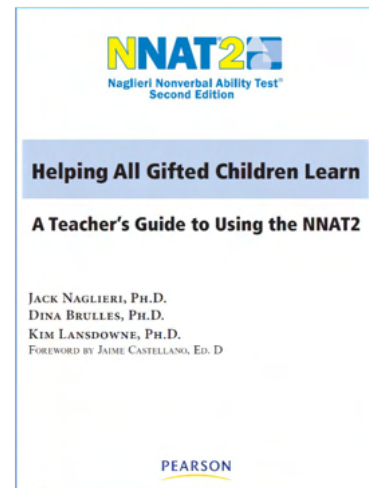
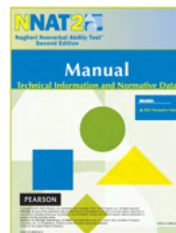
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A Chance Meeting

- Naglieri, J. A. (2004). Reducing Under-representation of Minority Children in Gifted Education. SENG Conference, July 9-11, 2004 in Arlington, VA.
- By 2008 we published our first book on Gifted Identification

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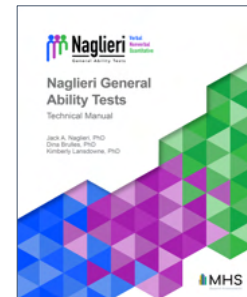
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2016 – 2022 Developmental Process

Naglieri General Ability Tests Naglieri General Ability Tests Verbal Nonverbal Quantitative

- We **explicitly made tests for equitable identification** of students from diverse cultural, linguistic, or socioeconomic backgrounds
- We used the traditional Verbal, Nonverbal and Quantitative formats to **measure general ability** using:
 - Test questions that do not require academic knowledge,
 - Verbal and Quantitative test questions that can be solved using any language,
 - Animated instructions remove the need for comprehension of directions,
 - A multiple-choice response removes the need for verbal expression.
 - Online (and paper) administration for group or individual assessment
 - Universal assessment using local and national norms

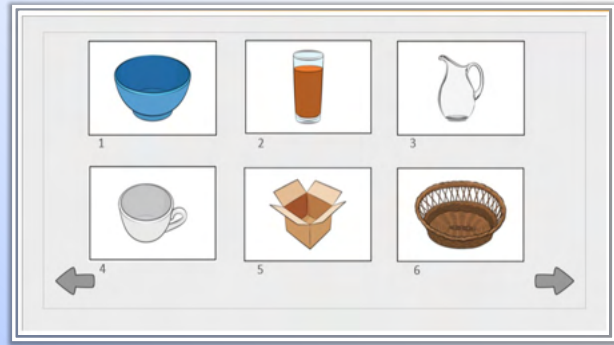
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The Naglieri-V measures general ability using pictures of objects representing verbal concepts. The items are comprised of universally recognized pictures that do not rely on knowledge acquired in academic settings.

The student's task is to identify which of the six pictures does *not* represent the verbal concept shared by the other five.

The test items require close examination of *the relationships among the pictures*.



Naglieri General Ability Test – Verbal (Naglieri & Brulles)

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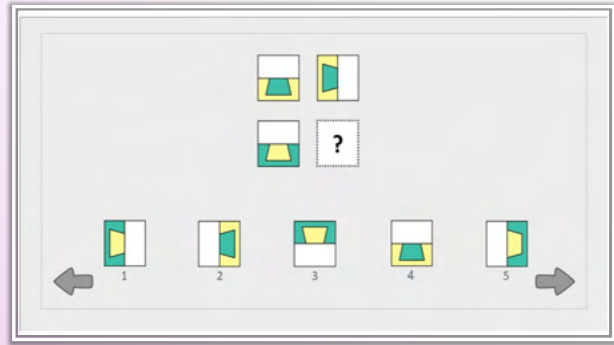
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The Naglieri-NV measures **general ability** using questions that require a student to recognize the relationships among the shapes.

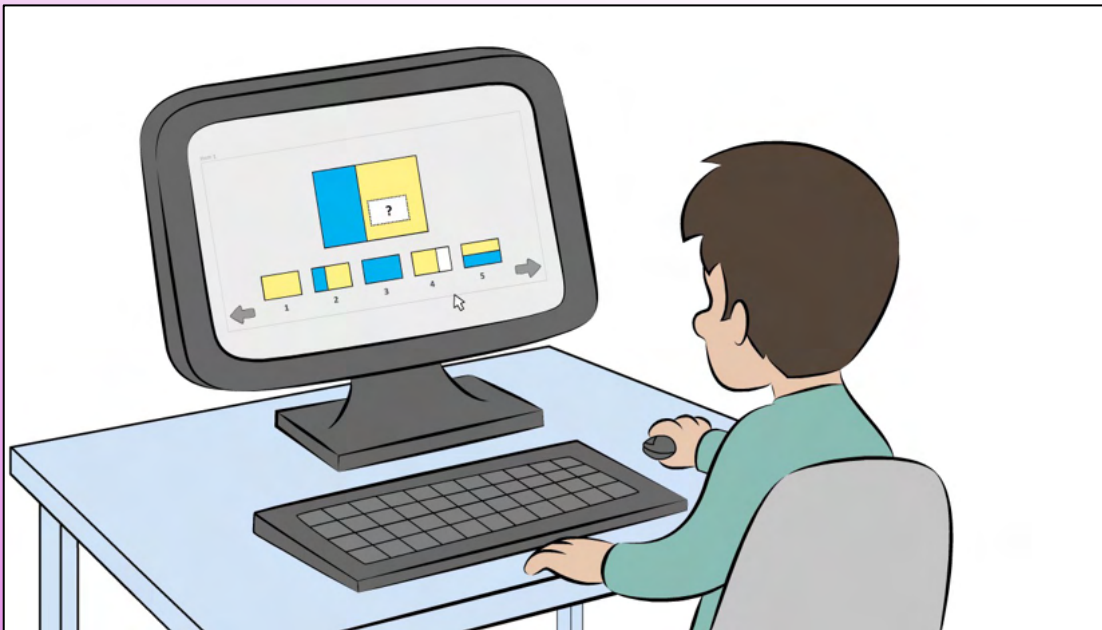
The structure of the items varies, but all items require that the student decipher the logic behind *the relationships among the shapes*, sequences, spatial orientations, patterns, and other distinguishing characteristics.

This nonverbal test is conceptually similar to the NNAT3 but it contains many NEW kinds of items not included before.



Naglieri General Ability Test – Nonverbal (Naglieri)

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The **Naglieri-Q** measures **general ability** using numbers and/or symbols. Students must decipher the logic behind the relationships among the numbers and symbols to identify the answer.

Items require the student to determine equivalency of simple quantities, analyze a matrix of numbers and solve mathematical sequences.

Items require minimal academic knowledge, and the calculation requirements are simple.

The items have no verbal requirements (i.e., no math word problems) so that they can be solved regardless of the language used by the student.



*Naglieri General Ability Test – Quantitative
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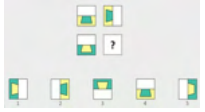
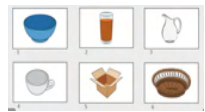



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Research Evidence of Equity

Selvamenan, M., Paolozza, A., Solomon, J., Naglieri, J. A., & Schmidt, M. T. (submitted for publication, Nov. 2020). Race, Ethnic, Gender, and Parental Education Level Differences on Verbal, Nonverbal, and Quantitative Naglieri General Ability Tests: Achieving Equity.

NONVERBAL TEST	VERBAL TEST	QUANTITATIVE TEST
		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N= 3,630 Sample closely matches the US population on key demographics No GENDER differences found between males and females for raw score across all forms No RACE/ETHNICITY differences among White, Black, & Hispanic for raw score across all forms No PARENTIAL EDUCATIONAL differences among five education levels (No high school diploma; High School graduate; Some college/Associate's degree; Bachelor's degree; Graduate/professional degree) for raw score across all forms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N= 2,482 Sample closely matches the US population on key demographics No GENDER differences found between males and females for raw score across all forms No RACE/ETHNICITY differences among White, Black, & Hispanic for raw score across all forms No PARENTIAL EDUCATIONAL differences among five education levels (No high school diploma; High School graduate; Some college/Associate's degree; Bachelor's degree; Graduate/professional degree) for raw score across all forms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N= 2,841 Sample closely matches the US population on key demographics No GENDER differences found between males and females for raw score across all forms No RACE/ETHNICITY differences among White, Black, & Hispanic for raw score across all forms No PARENTIAL EDUCATIONAL differences among five education levels (No high school diploma; High School graduate; Some college/Associate's degree; Bachelor's degree; Graduate/professional degree) for raw score across all forms

Comparison of English and Non-English Groups

- Total sample size = 322
- A matched sample was randomly drawn, pairing an English-speaking student with a Non-English-speaking student on the basis of gender, race, ethnicity, region, and age

Table 6.30. Demographic Characteristics of Matched English and Non-English Sample: Naglieri General Ability Tests

Demographic	English		Non-English		Total		
	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Grade	Kindergarten	1	0.6	3	1.9	4	1.2
	Grade 1	25	15.5	7	4.3	32	9.9
	Grade 2	36	22.4	68	42.2	104	32.3
	Grade 3-4	55	34.2	41	25.5	96	29.8
	Grade 5-6	23	14.3	21	13.0	44	13.7
	Grade 7-9	21	13.0	21	13.0	42	13.0
Gender	Female	86	53.4	86	53.4	172	53.4
	Male	75	46.6	75	46.6	150	46.6
	Other	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Racial/Ethnic Group	Asian	9	5.6	9	5.6	18	5.6
	Black	10	6.2	10	6.2	20	6.2
	Hispanic	85	52.8	85	52.8	170	52.8
	White	55	34.2	55	34.2	110	34.2
U.S. Region	Other	2	1.2	2	1.2	4	1.2
	Midwest	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
	South	149	92.5	149	92.5	298	92.5
	West	12	7.5	12	7.5	24	7.5
Age in years M (SD)		9.1 (2.2)		9.1 (2.2)		9.1 (2.2)	
Total		161	100.0	161	100.0	322	100.0

Group Differences by Primary Language Spoken

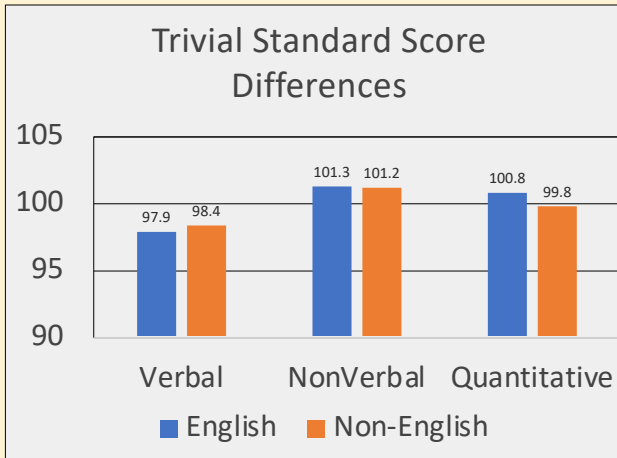


Table 6.31. Group Differences by Primary Language Spoken: Naglieri General Ability Tests

Test	Language Spoken	Descriptives		Differences		
		M	SD	Cohen's d	95% CI	t
Naglieri-V	English	97.9	14.5	-0.04	-0.07, 0.13	-0.32
	Non-English	98.4	14.8			
Naglieri-NV	English	101.3	14.1	0.00	-0.17, 0.02	0.04
	Non-English	101.2	13.5			
Naglieri-Q	English	100.8	14.1	0.07	-0.07, 0.13	0.65
	Non-English	99.8	12.9			

Note. N = 161 for each English and Non-English group. t statistic produced from a Welch Two Sample test. Cohen's |d|: small effect size = 0.20 to 0.49; medium effect size = 0.50 to 0.79; large effect size ≥ 0.80. Positive d values indicate higher scores for English Primary students. Naglieri-V = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Verbal; Naglieri-NV = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Nonverbal; Naglieri-Q = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Quantitative.

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Female (N = 3,000) Male (N = 2,999) Differences

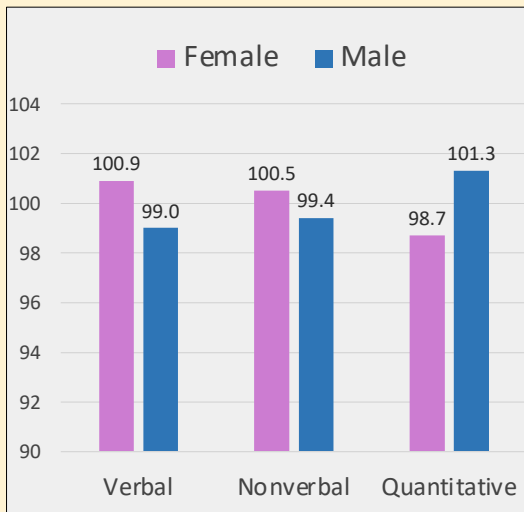


Table 7.9. Group Differences by Gender: Naglieri General Ability Tests

Test		Gender		Cohen's d
		Female	Male	
Naglieri-V	M	100.9	99.0	0.13
	SD	14.7	15.2	
Naglieri-NV	M	100.5	99.4	0.08
	SD	14.7	15.3	
Naglieri-Q	M	98.7	101.3	-0.17
	SD	14.4	15.4	
Total Score	M	100.1	99.9	0.01
	SD	14.7	15.3	

Note. Female N = 3,000 and Male N = 2,999. Guidelines for interpreting Cohen's |d|: small effect size = 0.20 to 0.49; medium effect size = 0.50 to 0.79; large effect size ≥ 0.80. Positive Cohen's d values imply higher scores for females. Naglieri-V = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Verbal; Naglieri-NV = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Nonverbal; Naglieri-Q = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Quantitative. Naglieri-V = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Verbal; Naglieri-NV = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Nonverbal; Naglieri-Q = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Quantitative; Total Score = Naglieri General Ability Tests-Total Standard Score.

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National and Local Norms

We use local and national norms in gifted identification to compare students to their peers of the same age or grade on a local and/or national level. Norms are essential for ensuring fair and accurate assessment of a student's ability; they play a crucial role in the process of identifying gifted individuals.



National Norms

A **national norm** is established using a large sample of students who match the country's demographics, including age, gender, race, ethnicity, region, and socioeconomic status. These norms are used and research demonstrates their effectiveness in schools which reflect national diversity.

Use national norms when...

- Your district represents the national demographic.
- You successfully identify the top percent of the students in your school who need specialized services.
- You are testing students using a universal testing program.
- Or, a student is new to the school or district and was unable to be tested with their grade-peers as part of a local norm sample.



Local Norms

Local norms calibrate a student's performance in relation to their fellow students within the same building or district. This method ensures scores are derived from a comparison group closely aligned with the local community's demographics. It's proven effective in identifying underrepresented students in gifted education.

Use local norms...

- In school settings that are not representative of the US population
- When universal testing of all students in a particular grade level in the district is conducted
- When norming by school building, (i.e. all students in a school or particular grade level) is desired.
- When norming by a specific group (i.e. students are from a specific demographic) is desired.

Equity in Gifted Identification

With both national norms and local norming processes available, administrators of gifted programs can better identify those students who would benefit from advanced educational services resulting in increased equity in gifted identification. The option of using either national norms or local norms expands schools' ability to identify potential.

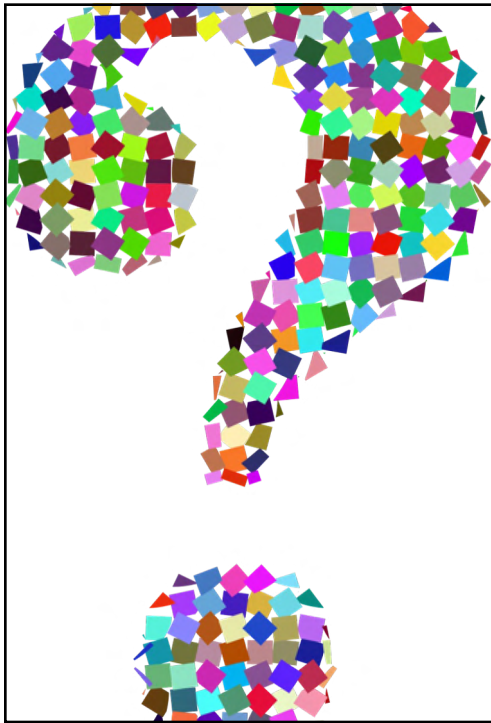
POST COVID National Norms

Grade-based National Norms 1,000 students pre grade (K to grade 5).

Table 1. National Norm Sample Characteristics.

Demographic		N	%	U.S. Census (%)	Difference (%)
Race/Ethnicity	Asian	235	3.9	4.7	-0.8
	Black	919	15.3	12.9	2.4
	Hispanic	1,261	21.0	23.3	-2.3
	White	2,914	48.6	46.1	2.5
	Other	671	11.2	12.9	-1.7
U.S. Region	Northeast	804	13.4	15.9	-2.5
	Midwest	1,270	21.2	20.2	1.0
	South	2,328	38.8	38.1	0.7
	West	1,598	26.6	25.7	0.9
Total National Norm Sample		6,000	100.0		

Note. U.S. population derived from the 2019 American Community Survey.⁴



How do *different* tests use the *same* ability?

- Even though the tests have different content (shapes, words, numbers) they all rely on **general ability ('g')**
- They all require understanding relationships among things or ideas

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The test you choose determines the results you receive, the decisions you make, and the future of your students

That is the *Practical Impact* of test selection

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Summary: Equitable Assessment of Intelligence

- **Equitable evaluation of intelligence** demands test questions that can be solved regardless of the amount of academic knowledge and facility with language a student has
- We have shown that
 - General ability (*g*) **can be measured equitably** across Verbal, Quantitative and Nonverbal content if the tests do not require academic knowledge
- Verbal, Quantitative and Nonverbal are **a description of the content of the tests'** questions **NOT** different types of intelligence
- Equitable tests measure THINKING in a manner that is minimally influenced by KNOWING

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We do the best we can with what we know, and when we know better, we do better.

— Maya Angelou —

Change Demands Courage to Think Differently

Socially just identification of gifted students requires self-reflection and self-correction in response to current research

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WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

Inequity in Gifted Testing
Recently researchers have estimated that more than 800,000 African-American, Hispanic, and Native American students in K-12 public school today could have been identified for gifted programs but were not. This problem could be addressed by using ability tests that were designed and validated to be equitable for all students.

Achieving Equity
The Naglieri General Ability Tests by Jack A. Naglieri, PhD, Dina M. Brulak, PhD and Kimberly L. Lantieri, PhD were explicitly developed to address the need for equitable assessment of gifted students from diverse cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic backgrounds so they can receive educational opportunities appropriate for their ability.