

# A Personal Journey to Equitable Assessment of Intelligence: Measure Thinking not Knowing

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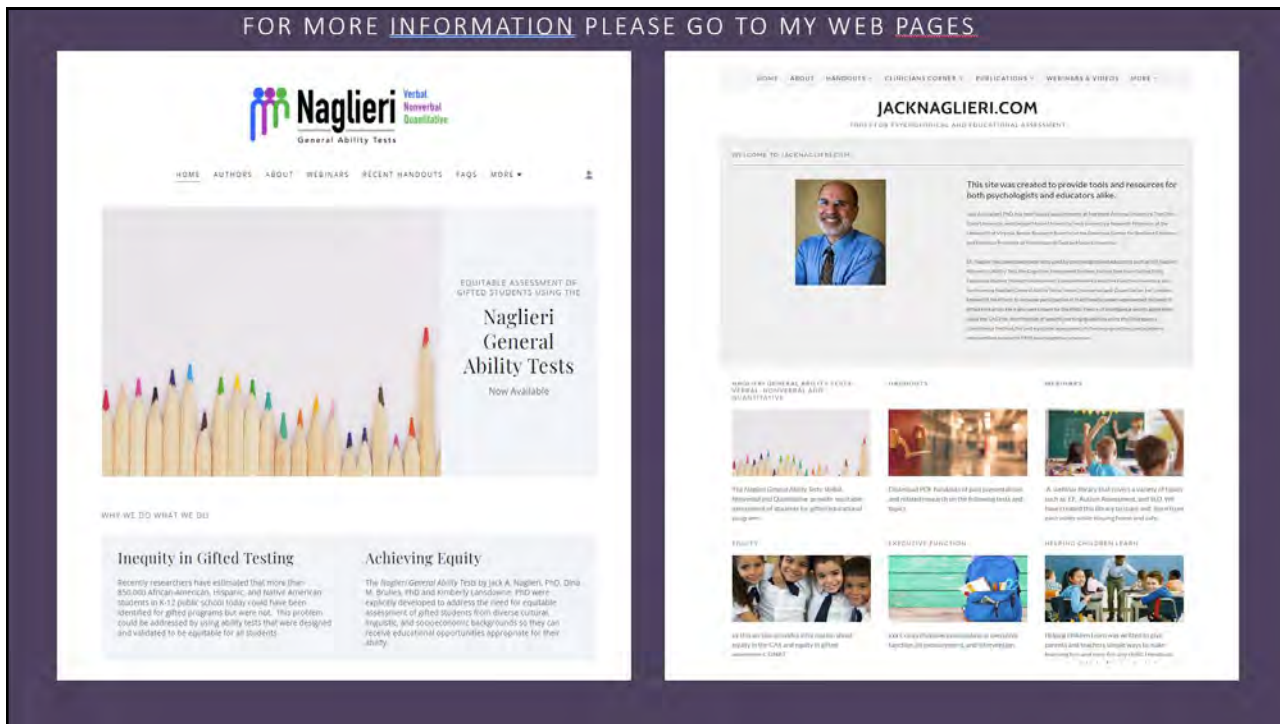


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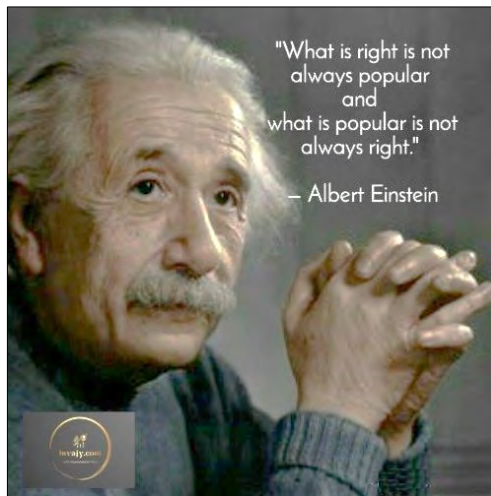
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# The BIG picture

- The comprehensive assessments we provide change the course of a student's life
- The intelligence test we choose has a profound influence on what we learn and say about the student
- Equitable assessment can be achieved if we choose tests that measure how well a student **THINKS** in a way that is not confounded by what a student **KNOWS**



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## Topics for Today

### My Equity Journey

Historical Context

The American Psychological Association Apology

How to Improve Intelligence Tests

Closing remarks

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## Introduction

- My interest in how people learn began when I taught guitar.



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## Undergrad (1968-1972)

- C. W. Post of Long Island Univ.
  - Behavior Modification
  - Neuropsych class
  - Psychoanalytic perspective
  - Tests & Measurement



## School Psych Degree (1975)

Saint John's University

- John Carboy – Neuropsychology of Learning Disabilities & A. R. Luria
- Rita Dunn – Modality based conceptualization of learning



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## Traditional IQ and Achievement Tests

- When I started working as a school psychologist in 1975...I noticed that parts of the intelligence tests we used were VERY similar to parts of the achievement tests
  - For example, the Achievement Test had a General Information and Arithmetic subtests JUST LIKE THE WISC!
- THAT DID NOT MAKE SENSE



1975 Charles Champagne Elementary, Bethpage, NY

**It seemed wrong to measure intelligence using questions that clearly measured achievement**

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## University of Georgia 1977-1979

- Alan and Nadeen Kaufman
- Opportunity to create
- My interest in intelligence test development



Alan S. Kaufman

Nadeen L. Kaufman



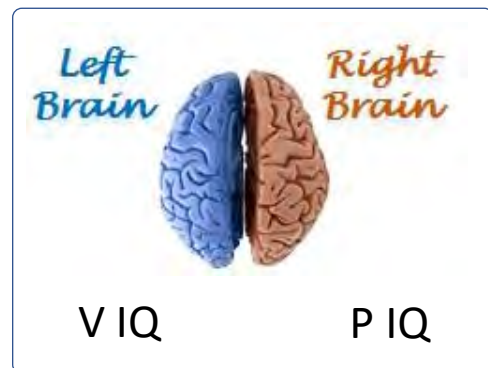
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## Assistant Professor at Northern Arizona Univ.

- Teaching intellectual assessments in the school psychology program at Northern Arizona University 1979
- Lecture about genetic attributes of Native Americans' intelligence
- An absurd position

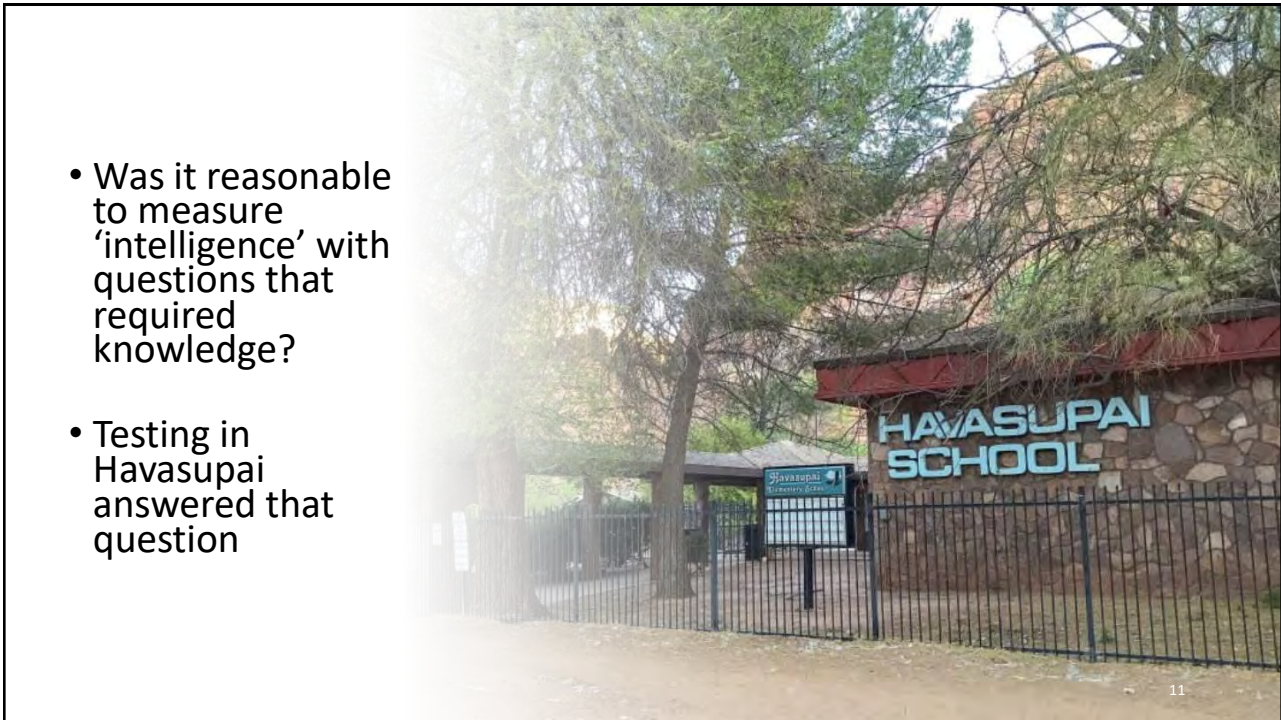


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- Was it reasonable to measure 'intelligence' with questions that required knowledge?
- Testing in Havasupai answered that question



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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		

## WISC-R RECORD FORM

Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children-Revised

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 PARENT'S \_\_\_\_\_  
 SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLACE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 REFERRED BY \_\_\_\_\_

WISC-R PROFILE  
 Clinicians who wish to draw a profile should first transfer the child's scaled scores to the row of boxes below. Then mark an X on the dot corresponding to the scaled score for each test, and draw a line connecting the X's.\*

VERBAL TESTS					PERFORMANCE TESTS								
Scaled Score	Information	Similarities	Arithmetic	Vocabulary	Comprehension	Digit Span	Picture Completion	Picture Arrangement	Block Design	Object Assembly	Coding	Mazes	Scaled Score
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18													18
17													17
16													16
15													15
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13													13
12													12
11													11
10													10
9													9
8													8
7													7
6													6
5													5
4													4
3													3
2													2
1													1

\*See Chapter 4 in the manual for a discussion of the significance of differences between scores on the tests.

NOTES Σ = 9.4

Date Tested: Year 81, Month 2, Day 14  
 Date of Birth: 74, 4, 26  
 Age: 7, 4, 18

	Raw Score	Scaled Score
<b>VERBAL TESTS</b>		
Information	3	3
Similarities	0	2
Arithmetic	4	4
Vocabulary	0	1
Comprehension	0	1
(Digit Span)	12	12
<b>PERFORMANCE TESTS</b>		
Picture Completion	10	8
Picture Arrangement	5	5
Block Design	18	12
Object Assembly	17	11
Coding	17	11
(Mazes)	17	11
<b>Performance Score</b>		
	12	7.0
Verbal Score	47	9.5
Performance Score	59	7.2
Full Scale Score		

\*Printed from 4 tests, if necessary.

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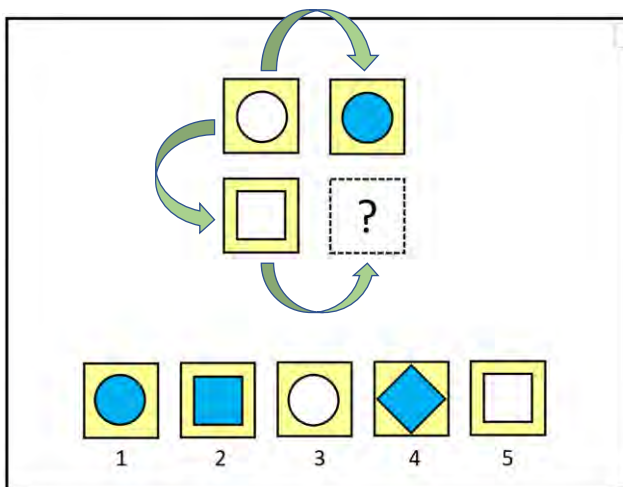
## Equitable Assessment of Intelligence

- The questions I had about WISC subtests made me critical of the way intelligence is measured
- Solution?
- Measure how well a person solves problems by **THINKING** in a way that is not dependent upon **KNOWING**
- How can you measure THINKING?
- I started with a progressive matrices test

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## Tests that Measure Thinking or Knowing?



Girl is woman as  
boy is to \_\_\_\_?

3 is to 6 as  
4 is to \_\_\_\_?

C<sup>7</sup> is to F as  
E<sup>7</sup> is to \_\_\_\_?

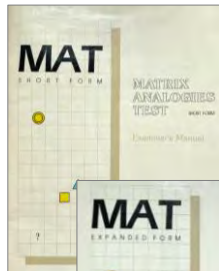
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# Naglieri's Nonverbal Tests: 1985 to Present

## • First and Second Versions



- The goal: equitable measurement of *general ability* for ALL students, especially “intellectually gifted children from disadvantaged backgrounds (Naglieri, 1985, p. 3).”

### Validity Results:

1. Males Females differences were trivial (< 1 point) on MAT:EF (452) & MAT:SF (N = 2,636)
2. Differences by Race were trivial (< 1 point) on MAT:EF (N = 110) and MAT:SF (N = 672)
3. MAT:SF correlations with reading and math achievement were substantial across grades K-12 (N = 3,022)

MAT Short and Expanded Forms 1985

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# Naglieri's Nonverbal Tests : 1985 to Present

## • Sixth Version of the Naglieri Nonverbal Tests



MAT Short and Expanded Forms 1985

Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test 1997

NNAT-Individual, 2003

NNAT-2 2008

NNAT3 2016

### The NNAT3 Validity:

- No difference between online & paper
- The NAI scores correlated with the OLSAT 8 suggesting that the two tests measure general ability.

The research on all these tests convinced me that measuring intelligence using items that measured how well students **think** in a way that is not influenced by what they **know** was an equitable way to measure general intelligence 'g'.

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## Tests with Equity as a Goal 1985-Present

Traditional Tests

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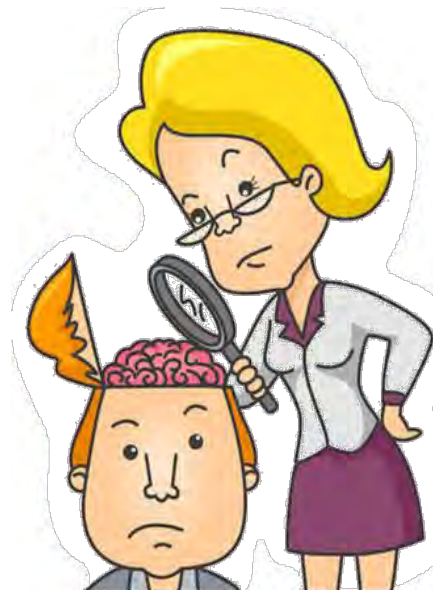
Keep in mind that nonverbal tests are fine to measure *general ability*; but school psychologists typically need to measure MORE than 'g'. I recommend a multi-dimensional theory of intelligence based on brain function (PASS).

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### Two Questions:

1. Why do we measure ability the way we do?
2. Do the tests measure thinking or knowing?

The early history of IQ tests



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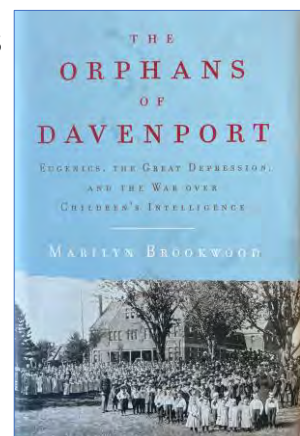
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## The Origin of IQ tests & Eugenics

- In the early 1900s (until the 1960s) low IQ scores were described as **Morons** (50-79), **Imbeciles** (20-49) and **Idiots** (below 20).
- During this time the “science” of eugenics was widely accepted, and the consequences of low IQ scores severe
  - institutionalized
  - forced sterilization of women



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## Lewis Terman 1916 Stanford-Binet

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

(Brookwood, 2021 p. 68)



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

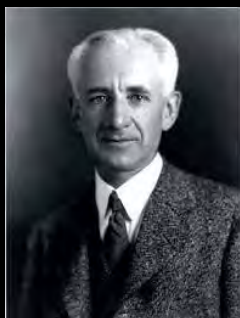
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## Robert Yerkes – Army Mental Tests 1920

- 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

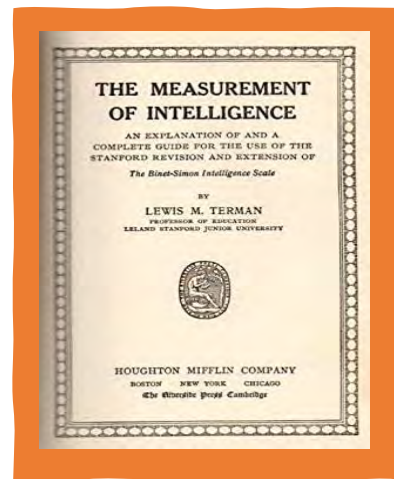


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The intelligence test being used at that time was...the Stanford-Binet (Terman, 1916)



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## Florence Goodenough 1926

Stanford-Binet "IQ by Racial Stock"



**RACIAL DIFFERENCES IN THE INTELLIGENCE OF SCHOOL CHILDREN**  
 BY FLORENCE L. GOODENOUGH  
*Institute of Child Welfare, University of Minnesota*

**TABLE II**  
 DISTRIBUTION OF INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENTS BY RACIAL STOCK

IQ	American	Armenian	Italian	Spanish-Mexican	California Negroes	Southern Negroes	Hoop Valley Indians	Jewish	Chinese	Japanese	Germans	Portuguese	English Scotch and Swiss	French and Swiss	Danish, Swedish and Norwegian	Asyrian, Slavonian and Serbian
Total cases . . . . .	500	123	456	367	69	613	79	55	25	42	29	11	14	14	31	29
Mdn. . . . .	100.3	91.8	87.5	87.2	82.7	76.5	85.6	66.3	103.1	99.5	98.8	93.3	99.5	92.8	104.5	94.5
Mean . . . . .	101.5	92.3	89.1	88.5	85.8	78.7	85.6	66.1	104.1	101.9	101.1	94.5	100.2	94.5	103.5	92.8
S.D. . . . .	18.3	15.6	16.0	17.5	18.7	17.5	14.1	16.2	18.0	18.0	19.3	16.5	16.8	19.6	17.8	18.8
Coeff. of var. . . . .	18.0	16.9	18.0	19.8	21.8	22.2	16.5	15.3	17.2	17.7	19.1	17.5	16.8	20.7	17.2	20.3

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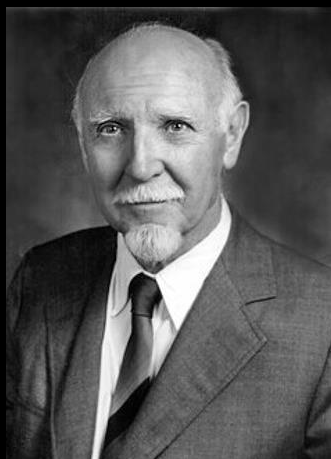
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# Raymond Cattell - 1933



- spoke out against race mixing, and he lobbied to overturn the 1954 Brown v. Board Education



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# IQ Tests Defined Intelligence



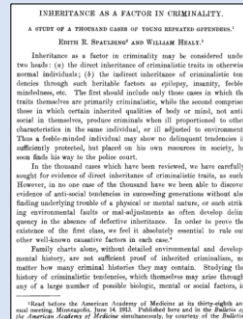
Edwin Boring: The Stanford-Binet became the *operational definition of intelligence*

Edith Spaulding & William Healy



The claim that we have measured hereditary intelligence has no scientific foundation

We cannot measure intelligence when we have never defined it.



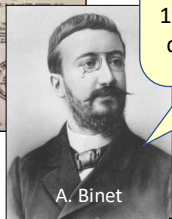
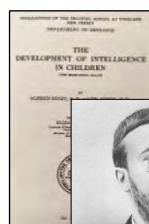
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# Was the 1916 Stanford-Binet different from the test Binet presented in 1911?

YES...and that created an equity problem

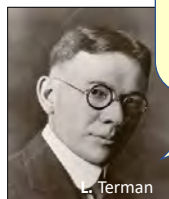
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## Stanford-Binet → Army Mental Tests → Today



A. Binet

When working on the 1911 scale, Binet removed items from 1908 scale because 'they depended too much on school learning'



L. Terman

Terman added items dependent upon school learning in the 1916 Stanford-Binet because he believed 'intelligence at the verbal and abstract levels is the highest form of mental ability'.

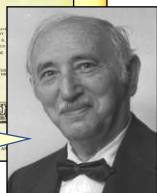
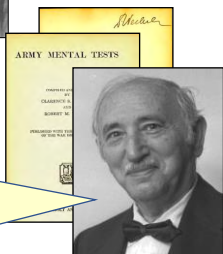


Arthur Otis

Arthur Otis (Terman's student) was instrumental in the development of the U.S. Army Alpha (Verbal & Quantitative) and Beta (Nonverbal), the Otis-Lennon Ability Test and known for the multiple-choice format



Wechsler based his intelligence test on the U.S. Army Mental Tests (Verbal, Quantitative & Nonverbal)

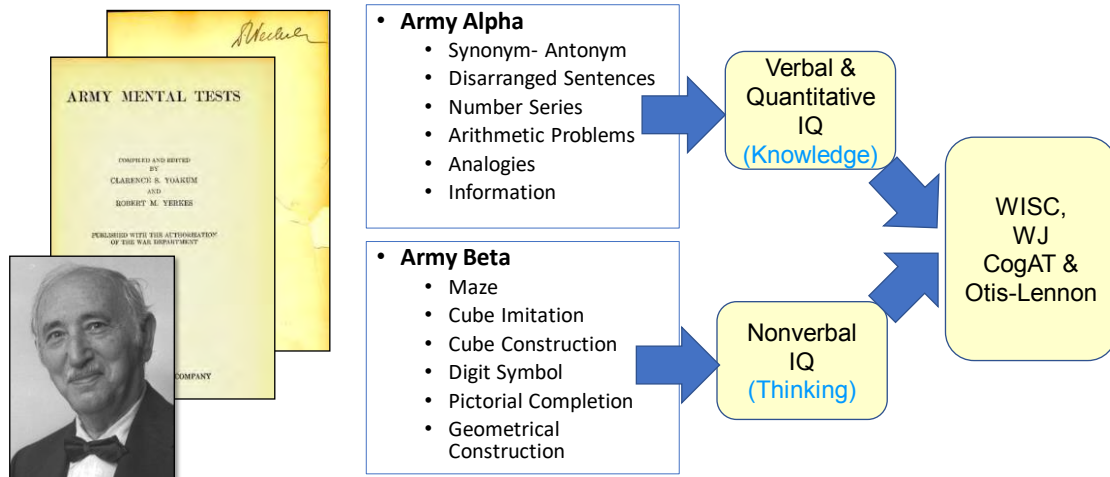


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## Alpha & Beta → Wechsler



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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)”,
- he never believed [in verbal and] nonverbal intelligence as being separate from *g*.
- he saw the Performance Scale as the most sensible way to measure the general intelligence of people with ... limited proficiency in English. (Kaufman, 2008)

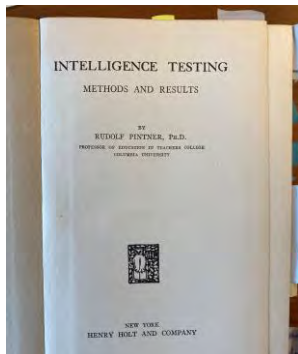
“The aggregate or global capacity of the individual to act purposefully, to think rationally, and to deal effectively with his environment (1939)”



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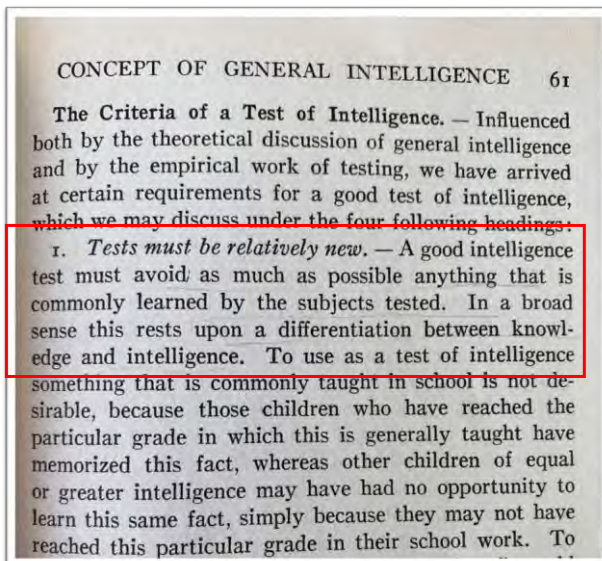
## General Ability Definition

- “we did not start with a clear definition of general intelligence... [but] borrowed from every-day life a vague term implying all-round ability and... we [are] still attempting to define it more sharply and endow it with a stricter scientific connotation” (p. 53, Pintner, 1923)”.



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## Pintner (Intelligence Testing, 1923)



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# Very Similar Items on “Different” WJ Tests

**Cognitive: Oral Vocabulary Subtest 1**

**Sample Items**

Point to near on subject's page and say: *Another word that means near is close* (pronounced klos, not kloz).

A. Point to big on subject's page and say: *Tell me another word for big.*

▲ **Correct:** big, enormous, gigantic, huge

◆ **A: Error or No Response**  
Score item 0. Say: *Another word for big is large.* Repeat Sample Item A.

**Achievement: Reading Vocabulary-Synonyms Subtest 17**

**Sample Items**

Point to street on subject's page and say: *Another word that means street is road.*

A. Point to large on subject's page and say: *Tell me another word for large.*

▲ **Correct:** big, enormous, gigantic, huge

◆ **A: Error or No Response**  
Score item 0 and say: *Another word for large is big.* Repeat Sample Item A.

**Test 1C Verbal Comprehension–Antonyms**

**Administration Overview**

- Test 1 Verbal Comprehension is comprised of four subtests—1A Picture Vocabulary, 1B Synonyms, 1C Antonyms, and 1D Verbal Analogies. You must administer all four subtests to obtain a score for Test 1 Verbal Comprehension.

**Sample Items**

Now we are going to do something different. Point to word “day” on subject's page and say: *The opposite of “day” is “night.”*

A. Point to word “yes” and say: *Tell me the opposite of “yes.”*

▲ **Correct:** no

◆ **A: Error or No Response**  
Say: *The opposite of “yes” is “no.”* Repeat sample item until subject gives correct answer.

**Test 17B Reading Vocabulary–Antonyms**

**Administration Overview**

- Test 17 Reading Vocabulary is comprised of three subtests—17A Synonyms, 17B Antonyms, and 17C Analogies. You must administer all three subtests to obtain a score for Test 17 Reading Vocabulary.

**Sample Items**

Now we are going to do something different. Point to “night” on subject's page and say: *The opposite of “night” is “day.”*

A. Point to “no” on subject's page and say: *Tell me the opposite of “no.”*

▲ **Correct:** yes

◆ **A: Error or No Response**  
Say: *The opposite of “no” is “yes.”* Repeat sample item until subject gives correct answer.

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## Including *Knowledge* in “Ability” Tests & Equity

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

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Is my observation  
consistent with  
yours?

Does Thinking vs  
Knowing make sense?

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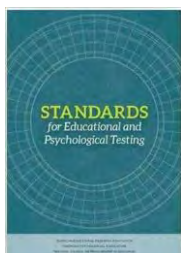
## What information do we need?

Research on test bias and test equity to determine test fairness

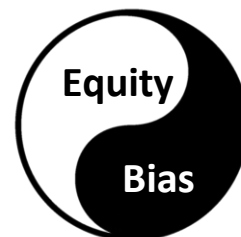
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## Test Bias, Test Equity and Test Content

According to the *Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing* (AERA, APA, & NCME, 2014) Psychometric TEST BIAS and TEST 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* ... even if there is no evidence of psychometric test bias.
- Evidence of EQUITY is examined by test content and mean score differences.

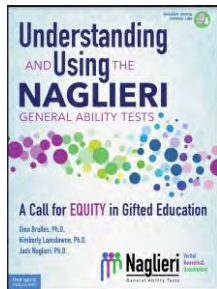


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# Race and Ethnic Average Score Differences by Ability Test



Traditional tests that include knowledge and 2nd-Generation Ability Tests that minimize knowing

	By Race	By Ethnicity
<b>Tests that require knowledge</b>	<b>Mn = 9.5</b>	<b>Mn = 5.2</b>
Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (district wide)	13.6	
Stanford-Binet IV (normative sample)	12.6	
WISC-V (normative sample)	11.6	
WI- III (normative sample)	10.9	10.7
CogAT7 (Nonverbal scale)	11.8	7.6
CogAT7 - Verbal	6.6	5.3
CogAT7-Quantitative	5.6	3.6
CogAT- Nonverbal	6.4	2.9
CogAT-Total (V, Q & NV)	7.0	4.5
WISC-V (statistical controls normative sample)	8.7	
<b>Tests that require minimal knowledge</b>	<b>Mn = 4.3</b>	<b>Mn = 2.9</b>
K-ABC (normative sample)	7.0	
K-ABC (matched samples)	6.1	
KABC-II (adjusted for gender & SES)	6.7	5.4
CAS-2 (normative sample)	6.3	4.5
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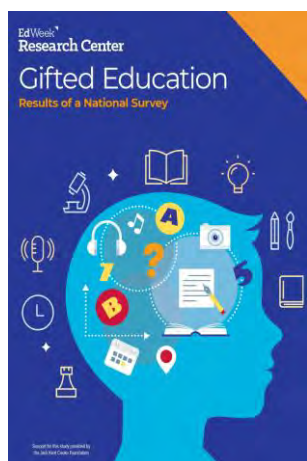
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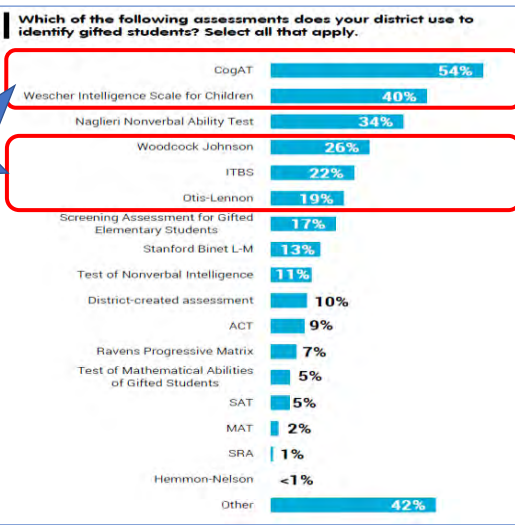
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# National Survey of Gifted Education



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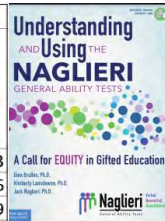
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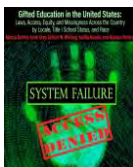
Total Enrollments by Race and Ethnicity as of 2020.

	N in Public Education K-12 in 2020	N Potentially Gifted (8%; 92 %tile)	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 American/ Alaska Native	484,766	38,781	27,712	-11,069
Two or More Races	1,641,817	131,345	105,371	-25,974
Total Non-Whites	24,218,556	1,937,484	1,064,355	-873,129



873,129 +

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Percent of Schools that do not Identify	41.5%
Additional non-white gifted students = 41.5% of 873,129	N = 362,305
<b>Total non-white gifted students missed</b>	<b>N = 1,235,434</b>

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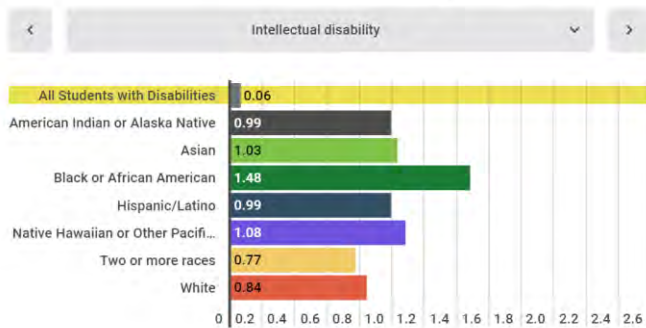
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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

**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/518-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/>  
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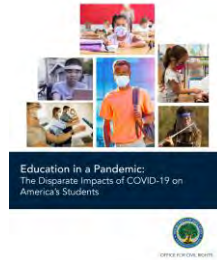
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## Learning Loss During Covid and Intelligence Test Scores

- The *average* public-school student in grades 3-8 lost a half year of learning in math and a quarter in reading.
- Schools with highest percentage of students receiving federal lunch subsidies missed two thirds (66%) of a year of math learning,
- Schools with the fewest low-income students lost 10% of a year.
- Intelligence tests that demand knowledge are IMPACTED BY the academic learning loss
- **All traditional intelligence tests with pre-covid norms are impacted!**

educationrecoverycorecard.org/2022/10/28/

## EDUCATION RECOVERY SCORECARD



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
- And the ways measurement of intelligence has been systemically used to create the ideology of White supremacy (p. 2)'



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## What is the Practical Impact?

Psychologists attributed IQ test differences to the **people** instead of the **tests**

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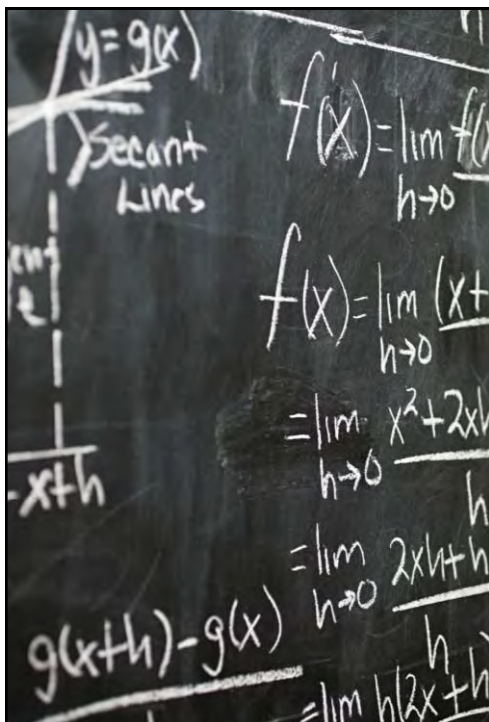
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## How Can we Test the Hypothesis that Knowledge Confounds the Measurement of General Intelligence?

Create Verbal, Nonverbal and Quantitative tests that measure general intelligence that do not rely on knowledge and DO THE EQUITY RESEARCH!

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## The Naglieri General Ability Tests: Verbal, Nonverbal and Quantitative

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# Naglieri General Ability Tests



- 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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## Naglieri General Ability Test – Verbal (Naglieri & Brulles)

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*.



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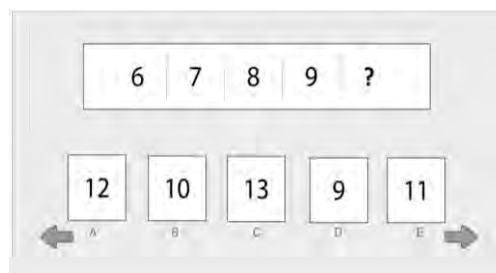
## Naglieri General Ability Test – Quantitative (Naglieri & Lansdowne)

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.



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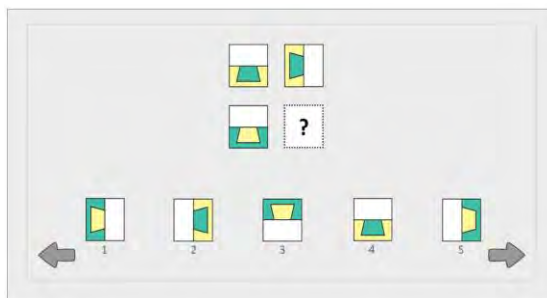
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# Naglieri General Ability Test - Nonverbal

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.



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## Research Evidence of Equity

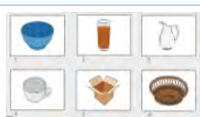
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### NONVERBAL TEST



- 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

### VERBAL TEST



- 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
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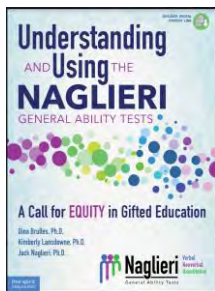
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# Race and Ethnic Differences by Ability Tests



## Traditional and 2nd-Generation Ability Tests

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<b>Tests that require knowledge</b>	<b>Mn = 9.5</b>	<b>Mn = 5.2</b>
Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (distic wide)	13.6	
Stanford-Binet IV (normative sample)	12.6	
WISC-V (normative sample)	11.6	
WI-III (normative sample)	10.9	10.7
CogAT7 (Nonverbal scale)	11.8	7.6
CogAT7 - Verbal	6.6	5.3
CogAT7-Quantitative	5.6	3.6
CogAT- Nonverbal	6.4	2.9
CogAT-Total (V, Q & NV)	7.0	4.5
WISC-V (statistical controls normative sample)	8.7	
<b>Tests that require minimal knowledge</b>	<b>Mn = 4.3</b>	<b>Mn = 2.9</b>
K-ABC (normative sample)	7.0	
K-ABC (matched samples)	6.1	
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To understand learning differences, we need to measure MORE than 'g'. PASS theory as measured by the CAS2 provides a way to measure four distinct neurocognitive abilities to measure 'Thinking' with minimal demands of 'Knowing'.



## What is the Practical Impact?

The test you choose **determines** the **results** you receive, the **decisions** you make, and the **future** of that student.





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## Tests of 'g' and Modern Tests of Intelligence

### Tests of General Ability 'g'

- Naglieri General Ability Tests: Verbal, Nonverbal and Quantitative
- Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test
- Unit (Bracken & McCallum)
- Wechsler nonverbal
- Stanford-Binet
- WISC-V
- WJ

### Tests of Multiple Abilities

- Kaufman-Assessment Battery for Children 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Editions based on multiple concepts of intelligence
- Cognitive Assessment System 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Editions based on PASS neurocognitive theory of intelligence

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## Five Key Attributes of a Second-Generation Intelligence Test

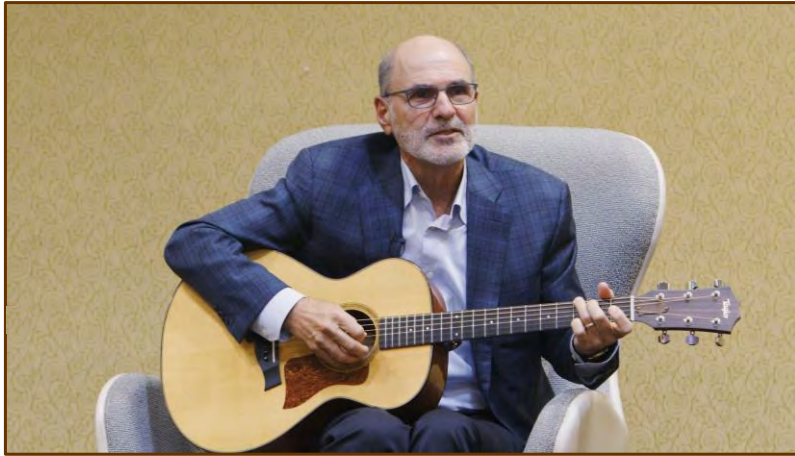


1. Start with a THEORY of intelligence based on the BRAIN
2. Ensure that the test questions measure THINKING
3. Ensure that KNOWING is minimized
4. Test the TEST – Do not advocate in advance of the science
5. Provide research to demonstrate that the test is equitable, interpretable beyond the total score, yields profiles for strengths and weaknesses, and leads to intervention

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## Maybe It's Time to Let the Old Ways Die



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