Students Referred for Suspected SLD, Including Non-responders in the Dyslexia Pilot Program: Where Do We Go From Here? Understanding (
Assessment, Identification Methods, and Interventions (

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## Today's Agenda



- Overview of the Dyslexia Pilot Program Dr. McHale-Small
- Brief overview of the PA Dyslexia Screening and Early Intervention Pilot.
- Review of foundational sources of information necessary for making informed decisions about PSW method for SLD identification
- Description of the PSW method and conceptual similarities among PSW methods, including the one used with WISC-V and KTEA-3 or WIAT-III data
- Description of the Dual Discrepancy/Consistency (DD/C) operational definition of SLD – a PSW method
- How to use WISC-V/WIAT-III/KTEA-3 results to determine SLD following the DD/C model via X-BASS (PSW component)

## Today's Agenda



- Discussion of a systematic method of linking assessment results to intervention
- Identification of key elements of the "assessment" and "intervention" components of the process
- Focus on importance of cognitive abilities and processes in intervention planning
  - Which cognitive abilities and processes are most important in assessment of individuals with learning difficulties; their correlates to specific academic skills
  - How cognitive weaknesses manifest in classroom performance
- How to select interventions, accommodations, modifications, and compensatory strategies that minimize the impact of cognitive processing problems
- Why evidence-based academic interventions are often insufficient as the sole means of addressing a student's learning needs
- Introduction of STEPS (<u>S</u>trategies, <u>T</u>echniques, <u>E</u>vidence-based <u>P</u>rograms and <u>S</u>upports) to ensure that wrap around services are provided for the student, with particular emphasis on services that address the student's areas of cognitive weaknesses and the severity of the educational impact of those weaknesses
- Emphasis on importance of knowing specific information about the student, parent, teacher, and educational and home environments for intervention planning
- Example of how to link assessment data to interventions (e.g., curricular/instructional modifications, accommodations, remedial strategies/programs, compensatory strategies)

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#### PA Act 69

- Signed into law on June 26, 2014.
- Establishes a Dyslexia Screening and Early Literacy Intervention Pilot.
- Why? Research continues to show that most children who experience academic failure struggle with reading and most students who struggle demonstrate word reading difficulties.
- Goal of the pilot is to put best practices in place in order to increase the number of students reading on grade level and reduce the number of students referred for special education.

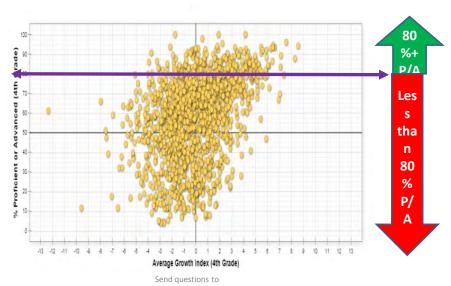
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## Design of the Pilot

- Screening beginning in Kindergarten
- Evidenced Based Core Curriculum
- Diagnostic Assessments
- Intensive and targeted intervention by highly trained interventionists
- Students continue in intervention until there is ample evidence that skills are solid

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### Do We Need This Pilot?



SY 14-15 School Results: ELA Grade 4

## What we Know \*

- Kindergarten is not too early to identify and intervene with students who are not acquiring skills typical of same age peers.
  - Why wait?
  - K-2 is the best "window" for intervention (viz., brain plasticity)
  - Identification/diagnosis of SLD/Dyslexia is not appropriate in K, but explicit instruction is
- All students who struggle with reading will benefit from evidencebased interventions that are appropriately matched to their instructional level and that are delivered with fidelity, but the extent to which they benefit will vary greatly
- IQ mediates response to intervention
- Identifying students who have reading difficulties and teaching them how to read does not guarantee that they will learn at the same rate and achieve at the same level as most students of the same age/grade level. Many students who know how to read struggle with learning

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## What we Know \*

- No one method of SLD identification has been proven to be the best method. Three options are listed in the federal regulations
  - AAD allowable
  - RTI must allow, as part of, a comprehensive evaluation
  - PSW may use
- All current methods are <u>discrepancy-based</u> and, therefore, may include more or less of the population, depending on designated cut points
  - AAD Discrepancy between IQ and achievement
  - RTI Discrepancy in rate and level of learning
  - PSW Discrepancy between cognitive areas of strength and cognitive areas of weakness and cognitive areas of strength and academic areas of weakness

## What's Wrong with AAD?

 The failure of the ability-achievement discrepancy method to identify SLD reliably and validly was summarized well by Ysseldyke (2005)

"Professional associations, advocacy groups, and government agencies have formed task forces and task forces on the task forces to study identification of students with LD. We have had mega analyses of meta analyses and syntheses of syntheses. Nearly all groups have reached the same conclusion: There is little empirical support for test based discrepancy models in identification of students as LD." (p. 125)



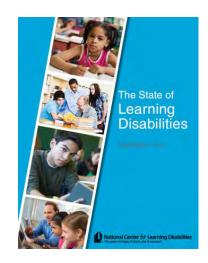
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## What's Right about AAD?

- It doesn't matter
- It's been replaced by PSW, which is arguably a much better method for determining whether certain markers for SLD are present/not present, such as
  - Unexpected underachievement
  - Domain specific cognitive weakness(es)

## What's Wrong with RTI?

- It doesn't work when it is not implemented as intended and with fidelity
- Failure to respond to evidence-based instruction, delivered with fidelity, over an extended period of time is not de facto evidence that a student has a specific learning disability
- Students fail to respond for a variety of reasons, only one of which is SLD
- Lack of agreement among methods for identifying non-responders



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## What's Right with RTI?

- It works when it is implemented as intended and with fidelity
- It's a necessary model of *prevention*



## Reality Check #1 \*

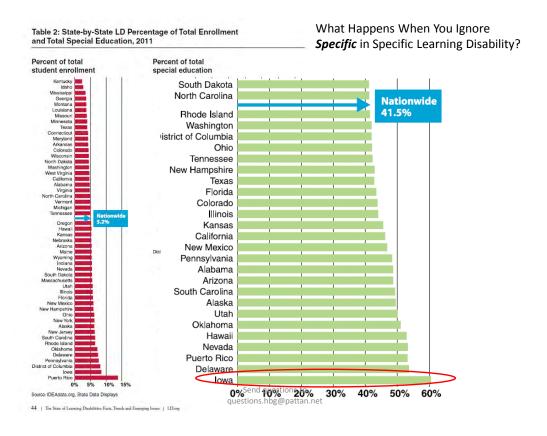
- The "RTI only" approach identifies the lowest functioning students in a school district (who do not meet criteria for ID) as "eligible for special educations services" and uses the SLD category by default.
  - There is nothing specific about below average ability across cognitive and academic areas
  - "General learning difficulty" is not one of the 13 disability categories

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## The Danger of Good Ideas \*

• If applied in isolation, RTI methods will not increase diagnostic sensitivity and specificity, but will result in a generic "learning problems" category, comprising a considerable portion of the population.

Source: Hale, J. B., Naglieri, J. A., Kaufman, A. S. & Kavale, K.A. (2004). Specific learning disability classification in the new Individuals with Disabilities Education Act: The danger of good ideas. *The School Psychologist*, *58*, 6-13.



## What's Wrong with PSW?

- Too new to know, but we can speculate
  - Problems that plagued traditional discrepancybased approaches will most likely emerge as a limitation of PSW
  - Different PSW models use different criteria and will identify different students (same problems as AAD and RTI)

## What's Right with PSW?

It is more in line with the SLD construct

All historical approaches to SLD emphasize the spared or intact abilities that stand in stark contrast to the deficient abilities



Kaufman, 2008, pp. 7-8

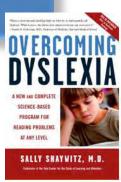
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## What's Right with PSW?

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"Weaknesses in word reading and spelling surrounded by a sea of strengths"





## Reality Check #2 \*

- Sole reliance on discrepancies will lead to many false positives (identifying SLD in error) and false negatives (missing SLD in error) in SLD identification
- Discrepancies must be interpreted within the context of the student's case history, current system of supports and response to those supports, and current learning needs

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# Issues that Deserve Thoughtful \* Consideration \*

- Students who perform in the below average range in many cognitive and academic areas are probably served best in Tiers 2 and 3 of an RTI model (assuming Tier 3 is intensive intervention, not special education).
  - Why is it necessary to exit Tier 2 or Tier 3 (intensive intervention)?
  - What will "special education" offer that has not already been implemented in a tiered service delivery model?
  - How will anyone know what "special education" should mean for a "non-responder" without the results of a comprehensive evaluation (that includes cognitive assessment)?

# RESPONSE-TO-INTERVENTION: SEPARATING THE RHETORIC OF SELF-CONGRATULATION FROM THE REALITY OF SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITY IDENTIFICATION

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When a student does not meet the discrepancy criterion and, therefore, cannot be deemed an underachiever, there is the strong possibility that the student is a "slow learner" (SL; i.e., a student with an IQ level between about 70 and 85). About 14% of the school population may be deemed SL, but this group does not demonstrate unexpected learning failure, but rather an achievement level consonant with IQ level. Although NCLB makes such low achievement problematic, slow learner has never been a special education category, and "What should not happen is that a designation of SLD be given to a slow learner" (Kavale, 2005, p. 555).

Learning Disability Quarterly, Summer, 2008 questions.hbg@pattan.net

## Cognitive Assessment: Why All the Fuss? \*

- The presence of cognitive ability and processing weaknesses raises the risk of academic deficits
  - Knowing how cognitive weaknesses manifest \*
     in real world performances is crucial for
     selecting or developing interventions,
     compensatory strategies, accommodations,
     and instructional/curricular modifications to
     minimize the effects of these weaknesses on \*
     the student's ability to access the curriculum,
     learn, and achieve

of Planning, Selecting, and Tailoring Interventions for Unique Learners

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## Cognitive Assessment: Why All the Fuss? \*

- Learning disabilities are caused by inherent weaknesses in underlying cognitive processes (Robinson et al., 2002)
- Cognitive abilities are extremely important causal determinants of academic abilities (Flanagan & Schneider, in press)
  - The assessment process can be viewed as an ability-oriented evaluation designed to help formulate the problem and then determine specific interventions (Fletcher, Taylor, Levin, & Satz, 1995)
- Psychologists need to give cognitive abilities their proper consideration, but must also weave together all evidential threads into a coherent narrative of the child's academic difficulties. Only then can psychologists be in the position to give truly helpful advice to parents and teachers trying to help children who have fallen behind (Flanagan & Schneider, in press)

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## Comprehensive Evaluations (That Include Assessment of Cognitive Functions) Are Necessary for Non-responders

- WHY? According to Reynolds and Shaywitz (2009)
  - "RTI provides few clues guiding what to do for instruction after a child fails to respond"
  - "One of the major purposes of a comprehensive assessment is to derive hypotheses emerging from a student's cognitive profile that would allow the *derivation of different and more effective instruction*"
  - "Elimination of an evaluation of cognitive abilities and psychological processes seems to revert to a *one size fits all mentality* where it is naively assumed that all children fail for the same reason"

# Would Most Parents Turn Down an Evaluation that \* May Shed More Light on Learning Difficulties? \*

#### Psychologist to Parent:

- It's been six months and your son is still not as far along as we anticipated based on the interventions we've been trying. At this time, we have two options.
  - One, we can try another intervention that is supported by research and, therefore, is expected to work (like the other interventions we tried)
  - Or two, we can take a more comprehensive look at how your son approaches tasks, how he learns, how he is smart, and what difficulties he may have when faced with new problems. That means that we can do a comprehensive evaluation of your son and get a better understanding of his strengths and weaknesses in cognitive areas that are important for learning and achievement. This additional information can help us understand why your son did not respond well to intervention and what we can do differently as we continue to plan and develop educational interventions for him.

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"At the *current state of scientific knowledge*, it is only through a comprehensive evaluation of a student's cognitive and psychological abilities and processes that insights into the underlying proximal and varied root causes of [academic] difficulties can be ascertained and then specific interventions be provided targeted to each student's individual needs, *a process long advocated*"





From Reynolds and Shaywitz (2009)

## Reality Check #3 \*

- Knowing how to use the results of an appropriately conducted comprehensive SLD evaluation for intervention planning requires that practitioners receive training
  - People who claim that cognitive assessment is irrelevant for SLD identification and intervention planning may not have received training on the utility of cognitive assessment for diagnosis and intervention planning and/or may adhere strictly to "group studies"
  - There's a need to understand the results of group studies AND the unique characteristics of the student who stands before you
- Research based on group data assists in providing expectations about performance on cognitive and achievement tests and the relationships among cognitive and academic abilities.
  - Every student with whom we work is an "N of 1".
  - "Group studies do not reflect the complicated process of a highly specific individual issue being treated in highly unpredictable circumstances." (Fletcher-Janzen, June 16, 2016, NASP listserv)

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# Issues that Deserve Thoughtful \* Consideration \*

- All students who need help should receive help. But under the SLD category?
  - Compromises the validity of the SLD category
  - There are *finite* dollars for special education
- There will always be debate (science thrives when all ideas are subject to scrutiny).
   The truth is most likely somewhere in the middle.
  - There's no litmus test for SLD identification
  - Every method provides important information about and insights into a student's academic difficulties and overall learning needs
  - The best approach to serving students with learning difficulties most likely requires data from RTI and a comprehensive assessment for students who do not respond well to evidence-based instruction and intervention
- There is no "one size fits all approach" to SLD identification
  - An RTI approach should require comprehensive assessment (including cognitive assessment) for "non-responders"
  - The results of a PSW analysis should be informed by data from an RTI service delivery model
- Why does the field buck an integrative approach?
  - RTI is an ideology?
  - Training programs have fallen far short of keeping pace with current theory and research related to identification of SLD?
  - Both?

#### We Need an Integrative Approach to SLD Identification: RTI and Cognitive Assessment/PSW are Not Mutually Exclusive

- There are arguments on each side, but none is strong enough to declare one approach better than the other
- It is time to embrace each approach as different but *complimentary* in the identification and diagnosis of specific learning disability

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To avoid a situation where a student is simply declared to have SLD, RTI procedures should be combined with psychometric testing. Wodrich, Spencer, and Daley (2006) provided reasons why RTI needs to be combined with psychoeducational assessments. Specifically, use of RTI alone makes it difficult to (a) distinguish SLD from mild mental retardation, (b) distinguish students with SLD from slow learners, (c) identify intra-individual differences, (d) determine the meaning of a positive RTI, and (e) identify the best means to implement effective interventions. Models that combine RTI and psychometric assessment have been described (e.g., Flanagan, Ortiz, Alfonso, & Dynda, 2006; Kavale & Flanagan, 2007), and are necessary because, "An RTI model without a comprehensive evaluation cannot identify SLD because it is not aligned with the construct of SLD" (Ofiesh, 2006, p. 887).

Learning Disability Qualiterity, Summer, 2008

## If Johnny Can't Read, Teach Johnny How to Read: Is it that Simple? \*

There are times when it is appropriate to just teach someone who is falling behind ... to read. There are also times when a child has been traumatized, has ADHD, ASD, and/or LD and someone must figure out how best to treat the basic etiology of the problem because those children will need help in reading most likely too. I trust that school psychologists on the job in the real world, face to face with children, do their best to use all information to help in singular and unpredictable situations.



(Fletcher-Janzen, June 16, 2016, NASP listserv)

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## SLD Identification in Perspective \*

- All methods of SLD identification are "stepping stones" to the next best method. Current methods, even if shown to be invalid for SLD identification, are not missteps. They are stepping stones, all designed in a well-intentioned effort to understand and help children who are entitled to special education services
- The more practitioners know about the different methods that are used for SLD identification, the more they will be able to gather the most relevant data and filter those data through what is known about SLD, thereby making the most informed decisions



#### **OVERVIEW OF SLD IDENTIFICATION &**





## IDEIA – Federal Definition of SLD

"A disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or using language, spoken or written, which manifests itself in the imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell, or do mathematical calculations. Such terms include such conditions as perceptual disabilities, brain injury, minimal brain dysfunction, dyslexia, and developmental aphasia"

## Federal Regulations (2006) Include Three Methods of SLD Identification

(34 CFR 300.311(a)(5)), (34 CFR 300.309(a)(2(ii))

- Ability-Achievement Discrepancy (AAD)
  - May allow
  - Cannot mandate
- Response-to-Intervention (RTI)
  - Must allow
  - "as part of" a comprehensive evaluation
- Alternative Research-based Approach (PSW)

Rules C Regulations

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# Ability-Achievement Discrepancy is Insufficient for SLD Identification Because: \*

- · It fails to adequately differentiate between students with LD from students who are low achievers.
- It is based on the erroneous assumption that IQ is a near-perfect predictor of achievement and is synonymous with an individual's potential.
- It is applied inconsistently across states, districts, and schools, rendering the diagnosis arbitrary and capricious.
- A discrepancy between ability and achievement may be statistically significant, but not clinically \* relevant. \*
- It is a wait-to-fail method because discrepancies between ability and achievement typically are not
  evident until the child has reached the 3rd or 4th grade.
- It does not identify the area of processing deficit.
- It leads to over-identification of minority students.
- It does not inform intervention.



Source: Hale, Wycoff, and Fiorello (2011). RTI and cognitive hypothesis testing for identification and intervention of specific learning disabilities: The best of both worlds. In Flanagan and Alfonso (eds), Essentials of specific learning disability identification. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

# RTI Cannot Be Used Alone For SLD Identification Because: \*

- · RTI advocates cannot agree whether a standard protocol or a problem-solving RTI approach should be used.
- There is no agreed-upon curriculum, instructional methods, or measurement tools with adequate technical \* quality for use in an RTI model. \*
- RTI research has primarily focused on word reading, and methods across grades and different content areas have not been examined sufficiently.
- There is no consensus on what constitutes an empirically based approach, and whether using a single-subject design is sufficient to make any approach "empirical."
- There is no consensus on how to determine response, or lack of response, with different methods, resulting in \*
  different children being labeled as responders or nonresponders. \*
- There is no consensus on establishing appropriate achievement benchmarks or intervention timelines to \*
  determine the aim line slope (a critical component of determining individual responsiveness). \*
- There are no agreed-upon methods for teacher training or supervision methods to ensure interventions are carried out with integrity. \*
- There is no possible way to determine whether a child who is nonresponsive to intervention meets SLD statutory requirements.
- Failure to respond to intervention can happen for multiple reasons, only one of which is SLD.

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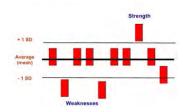
# Third Option is PSW Federal Regulations Permit the Use of a PSW Model

 $(34\; CFR\; 300.311(a)(5)),\, (34\; CFR\; 300.309(a)(2(ii))$ 

- Evaluation documentation must consider whether the student exhibits a pattern of strengths and weaknesses
  - In performance, achievement or both
  - Relative to age, State approved grade levels standards, or intellectual development
  - That is determined by the group to be relevant to the identification of SLD using appropriate instruments

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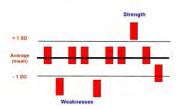
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- Requires an understanding of contemporary theory
- Requires an understanding of the theoretical constructs that are measured by cognitive batteries
- Requires understanding of cognitive processes and abilities related to achievement
- May require cross-battery assessment to assess all the abilities and processes considered important based on referral and to follow up on aberrant test performances
- Requires understanding of what SLD is and is not

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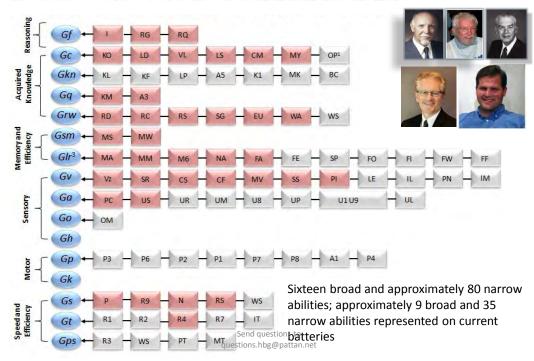
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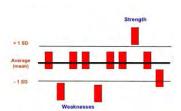
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## Current and Expanded Cattell-Horn-Carroll (CHC) Model of Cognitive Abilities (adapted from Schneider & McGrew, 2012)

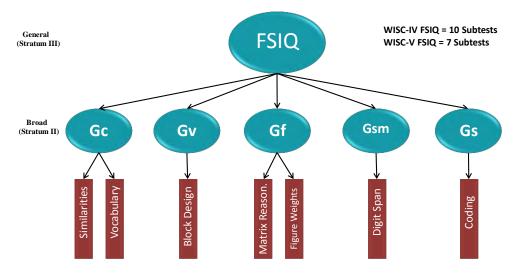


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#### Composition of the WISC-V Full Scale IQ



Allowable Substitutions for Core FSIQ Subtests (Only 1 Permitted)

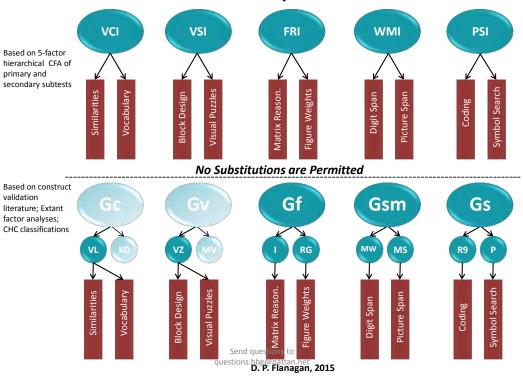
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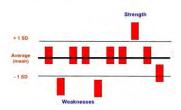
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#### **WISC-V Primary Index Scales**



#### **WISC-V Ancillary Index Scales** & QRI **AWMI** NVI GAI CPI Figure Weights Digit Span Similarities **Block Design** Digit Span Arithmetic Letter-Number Visual Puzzles Picture Span Vocabulary **Block Design** Sequencing Matrix Reason. Coding Matrix Reason. Symbol Search Figure Weights Figure Weights Picture Span Coding Composites New to the WISC-V **NEW WISC-V Complementary Index Scales Ancillary and** Complementary Index Scales are based on Naming Speed Symbol Translation Storage and logical classifications as Retrieval guided by research New Glr Immediate Symbol Measures and Naming Speed Naming Speed Literacy Translation Index Composites **Delayed Symbol** Naming Speed Symbol Translation Translation Quantity Index Recognition Symbol Translationtions to D. P. Flanagan, 2015

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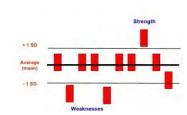


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## Summary of Relations between CHC Abilities and Specific Areas of Academic Achievement (Berninger, 2013; Flanagan et al., 2006, 2013; McDonough, et al., 2016; McGrew & Wendling, 2010; McGrew et al., 2014)

	Reading Achievement	Math Achievement	Writing Achievement
Gf (	Inductive (I) and general sequential reasoning (RG) abilities play a moderate role in reading comprehension. Executive functions, such as planning, organization, and self-monitoring are also important.	Reasoning inductively and deductively with numbers (RQ) is very important for math problem solving at all ages. Executive functions, such as set shifting and cognitive inhibition are also important.	Inductive (I) and general sequential reasoning abilities (RG) are consistently related to written expression at all ages. Executive functions, such as attention, planning, and self-monitoring are also important.
Ge	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and listening ability (LS) are important at all ages for reading acquisition and development. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Oral Language, Listening Comprehension, and EF (planning, organization, self-monitoring) also important for reading comprehension.	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and listening abilities (LS) are important at all ages. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Number representation (e.g., quantifying sets without counting, estimating relative magnitude of sets) and number comparisons related to overall Number Sense.	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and general information (K0) are important primarily after about the 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Level of knowledge of syntax, morphology, semantics, and VL has a significant impact on clarity of written expression and text generation ability.
Gwm	Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gwm important for overall reading success. Phonological memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.	Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gmw important for math problem solving and overall success in math.	Memory span (MS) is important to writing, especially spelling skills whereas working memory has shown relations with advanced writing skills (e.g., written expression; synthesizing multiple ideas, ongoing self-monitoring). Gmw important for overall writing success.
Gν	Orthographic Processing (often measured by tests of perceptual speed that use orthographic units as stimuli) – reading rate and fluency.	Visualization (VZ), including mental rotation, is important primarily for higher level (e.g., geometry, calculus) and <b>math problem solving</b> .	Orthographic Processing (often measured by tests of perceptual speed that use orthographic units as stimuli) - spelling
Ga	Phonetic coding (PC) or "phonological awareness/processing" is very important during the elementary school years for the development of basic reading skills. Phonological memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.		Phonetic coding (PC) or "phonological awareness/processing." is very important during the elementary school years for both basic writing skills and written expression (primarily before about grade 5).
Glr	Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (also called speed of lexical access) is very important during the elementary school years for reading rate and fluency. Associative memory (MA) is also important.	Naming Facility (NA; or speed of lexical access); Associative Memory (MA) — memorization and rapid retrieval of basic math facts; accurate and fluent calculation.	Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (also called speed of lexical access) has demonstrated relations with written expression, primarily writing fluency. Storing and retrieving commonly occurring leter patterns in visual and motor memory are needed for spelling.
Gs	Perceptual speed (P) abilities are important during all school years, particularly the elementary school years.	Perceptual speed (P) important during all years, especially the weeken with the weeken of the control of the co	Perceptual speed (P) abilities are important during all school years for basic writing and related to all ages for written expression.

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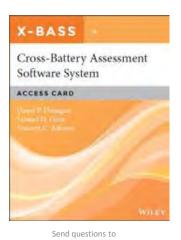
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## Most Current Contributions of the XBA Approach to Psychological Evaluation \*

#### **Cross-Battery Assessment Software System**

(X-BASS v1.2)



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The Cross-Battery Assessment Approach

APPLICATION: USE OF WJ IV AND WISC-V IN XBA



## XBA Applied to WJ IV and WISC-V \*

# Organization of WJ IV and WISC-V Assessments Following Research on Relations Between Ability and Achievement: A Basic Reading Skills Example (

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Abilities and Processes Related to SLD Area: BRS	WJ IV COG Subtest	Degree of Relationship Based on Literature Review	Example of Supplemental Subtests via XBA if Necessary	Comments
Gc:VL (Lexical Knowledge)	Oral Vocabulary	High	WJ IV OL Picture Vocabulary WISC-V Vocabulary Similarities	VL is underrepresented on the WJ IV COG; Use WJ IV OL battery for another VL subtest or supplement with WISC-V, for example
Gc:K0 (General Information)	General Information	High	WISC-V Information Comprehension	K0 is underrepresented on the WJ IV; General Information is more like a VL than others intended to measure K0
Gsm:MS (Memory Span)	Memory for Words Nonword Repetition (also small loading on Ga: UM)	Low - Moderate	WJ IV OL Sentence Repetition WISC-V Digit Span Forward	Evaluation of difference between auditory and visual memory span will require use of a separate memory battery, such as the TOMAL-2
Gsm:MW (Working Memory Capacity)	Numbers Reversed Object Number Sequencing Verbal Attention	Low - Moderate	CAS2 Sentence Questions DAS-II Recall of Sequential Order	-
Gir:MA (Associative Memory)	Visual Auditory Learning	Low- Moderate	WISC-V Symbol Translation Subtests WRAML2 Sound Symbol Sound Symbol Recall	MA is underrepresented on the WJ IV
Gir: NA (Speed of Lexical Access)		Low - Moderate	WJ IV OL Rapid Picture Naming Retrieval Fluency WISC-V Naming Speed Literacy	NA is not measured by the WJ IV COG
Ga:PC (Phonetic Coding)	Phonological Processing	High	WJ IV OL Segmentation Sound Awareness Sound Blending	PC is underrepresented on the WJ IV COG; Hard to know what phonological processing scores mean b/c the test is a mixed measure
Ga:UM (Memory for Sound Patterns)	Nonword Repetition (but is mainly Gsm:MS)	Moderate	SCAN 3:C	UM is underrepresented on the WJ IV Nonword Repetition likely to be more difficult than MS with numbers and words for individuals with phonological processing problems
Gs:P (Perceptual Speed)	Number-Pattern Matching Letter-Pattern Matching Pair Cancellation	Moderate Send questions to	WISC-V Naming Speed Literacy	Perceptual Speed tests that involve attention to orthography are more highly related to BRS than tasks that involve common pictures and abstract stimuli

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Abilities and Processes Related to SLD Area: BRS	WISC V Subtest	Degree of Relationship Based on Literature Review	Example of Supplemental Subtests via XBA if Necessary	Comments
Ge:VL (Lexical Knowledge)	Similarities Vocabulary	Moderate	CELF-5 Word Classes Word Definitions	Similarities may also involve Gf:I CELF-5 is statistically linked to the WISC-V and therefore should be an initial supplemental battery
Gc:K0 (General Information)	Comprehension Information	Moderate	WJ IV COG General Information	In the majority of cases, it will not be necessary to go out of battery for additional K0 subtests
Gsm:MS (Memory Span)	Picture Span (also MW) Digit Span Forward	Low - Moderate	CELF-5 Recalling Sentences	Evaluation of difference between auditory and visual memory span wil likely require use of a separate memory battery, such as the TOMAL-2
Gsm:MW (Working Memory Capacity)	Letter-Number Seq. Digit Span Backward Digit Span Sequencing Arithmetic	Low – Moderate	WJ IV COG  Numbers Reversed Object-Number Sequencing Verbal Attention TOMAL-2 Digits and Letters Backward DAS-II Recall of Sequential Order	Arithmetic also measures math achievement (Gq:A3) and at the olde ages may also involve quantitative reasoning (Gf:RQ); Picture Span should also be considered as visual test of MW
GIr:MA (Associative Memory)	Immediate Symbol Translation Delayed Symbol Translation Recognition Symbol Translation	Low - Moderate	WJ IV COG Visual-Auditory Learning WRAML2 Sound Symbol (and Recall)	
GIr: NA (Speed of Lexical Access)	Naming Speed Literacy	Low - Moderate	KTEA-3 Letter-Naming Facility	Naming Speed Quantity also measures GIr: NA but may not be relevant to BRS
Ga:PC (Phonetic Coding)	-	High	KTEA-3 Phonological Processing WIAT-III Early Reading Skills CTOPP-2 WJ IV OL Segmentation Sound Awareness Sound Blending	KTEA-3 is statistically linked to the WISC-V and, therefore, should be an initial supplemental battery
Ga:UM (Memory for Sound Patterns)	-	Low-Moderate	WJ IV Nonword Repetition (mostly a test of Gsm:MS)	
Gs:P (Perceptual Speed);	Coding Symbol Search Cancellation	Moderate Send questions to	WJ IV Number Pattern Matching WJ IV Letter Pattern Matching	Perceptual Speed tests, such as those included on the WJ IV COG are likel more highly related to BRS because they use <b>orthographic units</b> as test stimuli

#### **An Overview: SMAARTI**

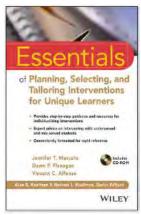
A Systematic Method of Analyzing Assessment Results for Tailoring Interventions

## **Step 1.** Organize **primary data** using the CHC-based *Data Organization and Targets for Intervention* (DOTI) form

 Examine all primary data to gain an understanding of the student's unique pattern of ability and processing <u>strengths and weaknesses</u>







# Step 1 & Organize Primary Data &

 Primary data include standardized test scores from cognitive and academic measures, special-purpose batteries, districtwide testing programs, and progress monitoring







- Organized into 10 CHC domains plus an "other" category
  - Three columns for each domain separated into normative weaknesses, within normal limits, and normative strengths
    - Standard scores that are 1 SD below the mean or lower are considered normative weaknesses, and scores 1 SD above the mean or higher are considered normative strengths

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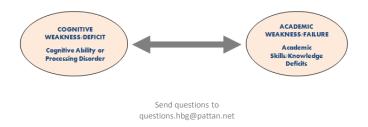
#### **Data Organization and Targets for Intervention**

CHC Cognitive/Academic Ability or Processing Domain	Normative Weakness and Information about Intervention	Within Normal Limits	Normative Strength and Information about Intervention		
Fluid Reasoning (Gf)					
Target for Intervention?					
Crystallized Intelligence (Gc)	Normal Limits is a LARGE RANGE; IT ENCOMPASSES: Some Below Average Scores 85-89 Average Scores 90-109 Some Above Average Scores 110-115				
Target for Intervention?					
Long-Term Retrieval (Glr)	Some Above Ave				
Target for Intervention?					
Short-Term Memory (Gsm)					
Target for Intervention?					
Visual Processing (Gx)					
Target for Intervention?					

## **An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI**

**Step 2.** Determine whether academic weaknesses are empirically related to the cognitive weaknesses by reviewing the research on the relations among specific cognitive abilities, neuropsychological processes, and academic skills

 Empirically-established relationships will help practitioners understand the potential cognitive correlates to academic deficits



## An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI &

#### Step 3.

- a) Review manifestations of cognitive weaknesses;
- b) organize secondary data;
- c) identify initial targets for intervention; and
- d) identify types of academic skill deficits for remediation



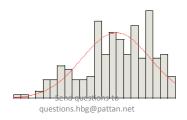
## An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI &

#### Step 3

#### a) \$Review manifestations of cognitive weaknesses

 Determine whether identified cognitive weaknesses manifest in real-world performances in predictable ways

When practitioners are able to observe the manifestations of specific cognitive deficits in classroom performance, for \* example, cognitive test results are *ecologically valid*.



## An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI &

Step 3. (continued)

b) organize secondary data

**Secondary data** include information from <u>rating scales</u>, classroom observations, and <u>interviews</u> with parents, teachers, and the student him or herself.





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Step 3. (continued)

c) identify initial targets for intervention



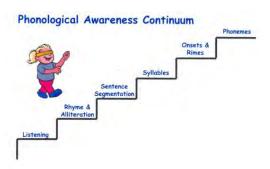
Hypothesize whether cognitive areas of weakness should be targeted for one or more intervention methods – For example, a Glr deficit may require an Accommodation and use of Compensatory strategies

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Step 3. (continued)

d) identify types of academic skill deficits for remediation



hypothesize whether areas of academic weakness are related to basic skill acquisition, fluency, or \* higher level skill \*

Basic (or foundational) skill (**B**) \*
Fluency (**F**)
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Higher-level (or applied) skill (**H**)

## Setting-general v. Setting-specific &

 Be sure to note whether manifestations of cognitive deficits are *setting-general* (i.e., occur across settings) or *setting-specific* (e.g., occur only in school during mathematics instruction).

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## **An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI**

**Step 4**. Consider *tertiary data*, which are comprised of information about <u>classroom instruction</u>, instructional materials, environment, and strategies

Includes information about \*
 <u>factors that affect learning</u> and \*
 that are largely *external* to
 student \*



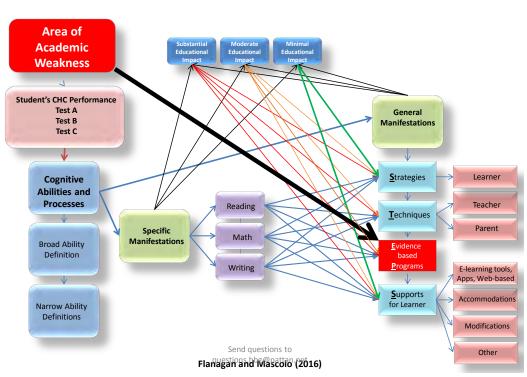


## An Overview: Steps of SMAARTI &

**Step 5**. Integrate data from previous steps, design and implement an intervention, and monitor its effectiveness \*



#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)



# The Assessment-Intervention Connection \*



#### **Assessment**

- Academic Skills
- Cognitive Abilities and Processes
- General and Specific
   Manifestations of Cognitive
   Weaknesses
- Severity of Educational Impact

#### Intervention

- Evidence-based Interventions
- Compensatory Strategies for the Learner
- Techniques for Teachers and Parents
- Supports –
   accommodations,
   modifications, e-learning
   tools, apps, web-based

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Area of Academic Weakness

## Academic Skills: Eight Areas in Which SLD May Manifest (IDEA, 2004)

- •Basic Reading Skills letter and word identification; nonsense word decoding
- •Reading Fluency word recognition/decoding fluency; oral reading fluency with comprehension
- •Reading Comprehension deriving meaning from text with and without inference
- •Math Calculation addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, math concepts, math fluency
- •Math Problem Solving higher level quantitative concepts and application, reasoning inductively and deductively with numbers
- •Written Expression organization of thoughts, feelings, and ideas on paper; conveying meaning through well-constructed text; spelling, vocabulary, grammar, and organization are important
- •Oral Expression conveying wants, needs, thoughts, and ideas meaningfully using appropriate syntactic, pragmatic, semantic, and phonological language structures
  •Listening Comprehension ability to understand the meaning of words and sentences that are heard and to relate to them in some ways@pattan.net

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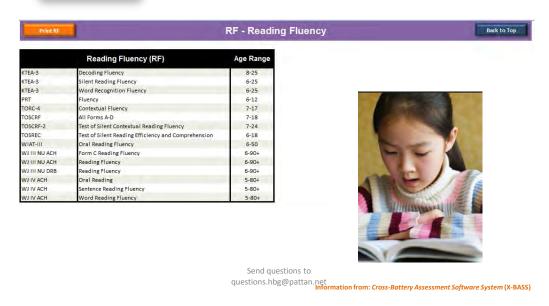
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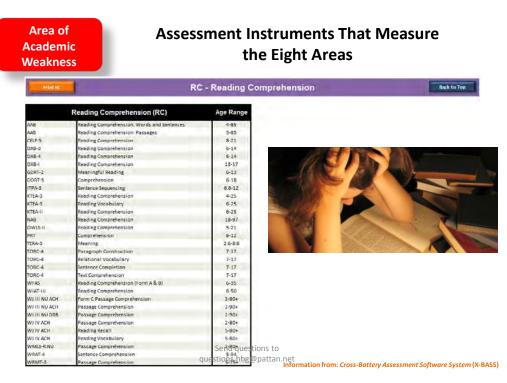
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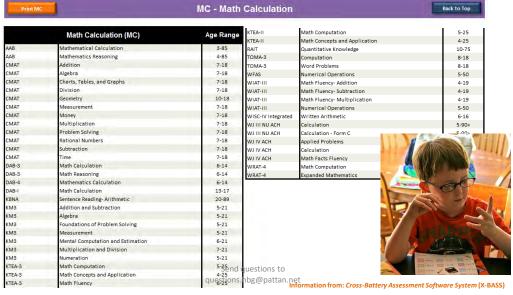


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Assessment Instruments That Measure the Eight Areas

MC - Math Calculation



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# Assessment Instruments That Measure the Eight Areas

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Area of Academic Weakness

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Writing Fluency

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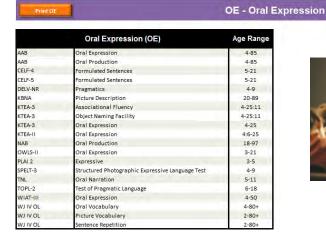
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# Assessment Instruments That Measure the Eight Areas



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Cognitive Abilities and Processes: A Student's Cognitive Ability and Processing Strengths and Weaknesses Inform & Diagnosis and Intervention &

A Comprehensive Evaluation for Suspected SLD Ought to Include Measurement of Cognitive Abilities and Processes within at least Seven CHC Domains

- •SLD has neurobiological influences and is defined by specific cognitive processing weaknesses
- Evidence of cognitive-achievement relationships
- \*Cognitive processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances (e.g., reading, math, writing)
- Cognitive processing weaknesses obstruct learning; when identified, steps can be taken to minimize the effects of these weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum
- •Some cognisere questions to each be remediated questions.hbg@pattan.net

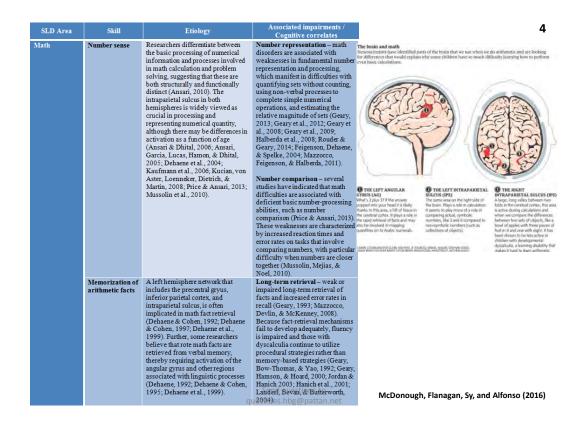
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SLD Area	Skill	Etiology	Associated impairments / Cognitive correlates	
	Reading rate or fluency	Brain regions activated are similar to the network implicated in word reading, but additional activation is observed in areas involved in eye movement and attention (Jones, Ashby, & Branigan, 2013). Further, there is also evidence for increased activation in the left occipitotemporal region, in particular the occipitotemporal sulcus, which is important for rapid processing of elter patterns (Shaywitz et al., 2004; Dehaene & Cohen, 2011). Some studies have found increased activation in this region when normal reading automaticity is disrupted (Benjamin & Gaab, 2012).  While limited, there is evidence of genetic influences specific to rapid naming and reading, suggesting that RAN may be etiologically distinct from phonological awareness (Byme et al., 2005; Compton et al., 2001; Pettill et al., 2005; Genetic linkage studies have/dentified susceptibility genes for fluency, namely chromosome 2 (Raskind et al., 2005).	Rapid automatized naming (RAN) – while the exact relationship between RAN and reading remains unclear, RAN is believed to be one of the best predictors of reading fluency (Georgiou et al., 2008, Tan et al., 2005). The automaticity required to complete RAN tasks is related to the ability to synthesize and automatize letter sequences / words when reading (Noton & Wolf, 2012). There are also a variety of cognitive processes implicated in rapid naming. These include attention, executive functions (i.e., response inhibition, set shifting), lexical retrieval, and processing speed (Moll, Gobel, & Snowling, 2015).  Orthographic processing – processing of orthographic information (i.e., the ability to process units of words based on visual long-term memory representations) is considered critical in automatic word recognition and consequently plays a crucial role in fluency (O' Brien et al., 2011). This ability is often impaired or underdeveloped in some reading disabled individuals.	Rapid Automatic Naming  Prills and Tracking Sheets  A T S P B B S A T B T A P S T B T B T A P S T B T

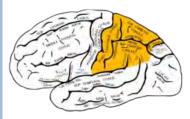
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	Reading comprehension	Several brain regions are often implicated in reading comprehension. These include the anterior temporal loye, inferior temporal gyrus, inferior frontal and temporal regions (Ferstl et al., 2008; Gernsbacher. & Kaschak, 2003). More recent research has revealed a relationship between listening and reading comprehension and activation along the left superior temporal sulcus, which has referred to by some as the "comprehension cortex" (Begl et al., 2010). However, roader pathways are also activated in reading comprehension, reflecting increased cognitive demand compared to listening comprehension.  Genetic factors are said to account for 41 to 76 percent of the variance in comprehension (e.g., Betjemann et al., 2008; Harlaar, Dale, & Plomin, 2007; Petrill et al., 2007). While genetic factors that influence decoding and listening comprehension account for nearly 40 percent of the variance in reading comprehension, there is little evidence for an independent source of genetic influence on comprehension alone (Harlaar et al., 2005). However, estimating the genetic influences on creading comprehension may be particularly sensitive to the type of assessment test used (Betjemann, Keenan, Olson, & DeFries, 2011).	oral language – difficulties in reading comprehension are frequently associated with deficits oral language in general, including areas such as vocabulary, morphology, and syntax (Catts et al., 1999; Cutting & Scarborough, 2006; Share & Leikin, 2004; Torgesen, 2000; Willcutt et al., 2013).  Listening comprehension – several studies have demonstrated that a unique portion of the variance in reading comprehension (Cutting & Scarborough, 2006; Kendeou, van demonstrated that of the comprehension (Cutting & Scarborough, 2006; Kendeou, van demonstrated that will be comprehension (Cutting & Scarborough, 2006; Kendeou, van demonstrated that of the comprehension involves holding words and sentences in awareness, while integrating prior knowledge with incoming information aready in working memory (Pelegrina et al., 2014).  Executive function are involved in reading comprehension including planning, organization, and self-monitoring (Cutting et al., 2009). Locascio, et al., 2010, Sesma et al., 2008). Weaknesses in these executive functions result in difficulties with higher-order comprehension, integrating prior knowledge, monitoring comprehension, and adapting to text structure or gener (Fletcher et al., 2009; Weaknesses, and adapting to text structure or gener (Fletcher et al., 2009; Weaknesses in the as inferencing, integrating prior knowledge, monitoring comprehension, and adapting to text structure or gener (Fletcher et al., 2007).	Purdy, 2011)  EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS  WORKING, MEMORY  MEMORY  CENTRAL EXECUTIVE (active manipulation of information pulled from storage)  VISUOSPATIAL (storage)  PHONOLOGICAL SKETCH PAD  SKETCH PAD  McDonough, Flanagan, Sy, and Alfonso (2016)



SLD Area	Skill	Etiology	Associated impairments / Cognitive correlates
	Accurate or fluent calculation	Regions of the left fronto-parietal sulcus, angular gyrus, and supramarginal gyrus have been consistently associated with math calculation (Ansari, 2008; De Smedt, Holloway, & Ansari, 2011; Dehaene, Molko, Cohen, & Wilson, 2004; Dehaene et al., 2004). However, there is evidence to suggest that math fluency, while related to other skills, may be genetically distinct and may reflect variance above and beyond untimed calculation abilities (Hart, Petrill, & Thompson, 2010; Petrill et al., 2012). The dorsolateral prefrontal cortex has also been found to show increased activation during calculation, implying that executive functioning and working memory may be playing a role in the process (Davis et al., 2009).	Long-term retrieval – weak or impaired long-term retrieval of facts and increased error rates in recall (Geary, 1993, Mazzocco, Devlin, & McKenney, 2008). Because fact-retrieval mechanisms fail to develop adequately, fluency is impaired and those with dyscalculia continue to utilize procedural strategies Geary, Bow-Thomas, & Yao, 1992, Geary, Hamson, & Hoard, 2000; Jordan & Hanich 2003; Hanich et al., 2001; Landerl, Bevan, & Butterworth, 2004).  Rapid naming – the rate of access to information in long-term storage is believed to affect calculation fluency (D'Amico & Passolumpii, 2009). Some studies have found that math disorders are associated with deficits in rate of access to mumerical information alone (e.g., D'Amico & Guarnera, 2005), while others have demonstrated that rate of access to both numerical and non-numerical information is impaired (e.g., Temple & Sherwood, 2002).  Processing speed – there is a body of evidence to support the contribution of processing speed in math calculation fluency; however, the relationship remains unclear, as processing speed is often highly related to working memory and general intelligence (Berg, 2008; Bull & Johnston, 1997; Geary, 2011; Mazzocco & Rasanen, 2013;

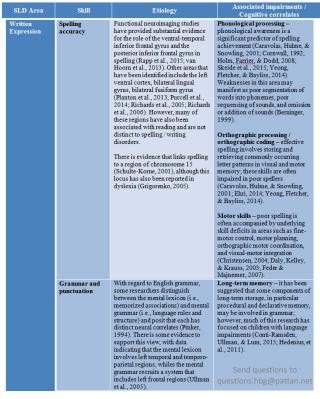


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SLD Area	Skill	Etiology	Cognitive correlates
	Math Problem Solving	As mentioned above, the intraparietal sulcus is often identified as a neural correlate of math disorders. However, it is likely that an entire network of brain regions is implicated, as the intraparietal sulcus plays a role in a variety of cognitive processes involved in math achievement (Szucs & Goswami, 2013). It has been suggested that the parietal network is involved in manipulating numerical quantities (Lemer et al., 2003). Further, some studies have found that individuals with dyscalculia have structural abnormalities in the parietal cortex (Rotzer et al., 2008; Rykhlevskia et al., 2009).  Prevalence of math disabilities is about 10 times higher in those with family members who had math disabilities (Shalev et al., 2001). Twin studies suggest a moderate genetic influence, with some studies finding additive genetic influences shared between math calculation and problem solving and several working memory components (Kovas et al., 2007; Lukowski et al., 2017). Lukowski et al., 2019. Environmental factors, including memory components (Kovas et al., 2007; Lukowski et al., 2017). Vukowice et al., 2013). Further, math achievement in particular may be associated with cultural or gender-based attitudes that may be transmitted in the family environment (e.g., Chiu & Klassen, 2010; Gunderson et al., 2011).	Cognitive correlates  Working memory – becase mathematical reasoning relies on concurrently retaining multiple pieces of information while performing one or more procedures or mental operations, working memory is often implicated. Those with math difficulties tend to struggle with holding information in working memory, updating or revising the information, and tracking or monitoring the process, resulting in difficulties in sequencing, increased errors in counting, and other procedural errors (Geary, 2003; Lukowski et al., 2014; Pelegrina et al., 2014; Peng & Fuchs, 2014; Raghubar, Barnes, & Hecht, 2010; Swanson & Jerman, 2006; Willcutt et al., 2013).  Visual-spatial ability – visual- spatial skills, such visual perception, spatial reasoning, and mental rotation, have been found to influence math performance (Gunderson et al., 2012).  Weaknesses in these may present as difficulties with representing numbers and aligning numerals, and problems in areas such as geometry or fractions (Geary, 2004; Swanson & Jerman, 2006).  Attention and executive functioning — math difficulties often reflect weaknesses in executive functioning skills, such as set shifting and cognitive inhibition (D Amico & Passolunghi, 2009; van der Sluis, de Jong, & van der Leij, 2004; Willcutt et al., 2013). Further, poor attentional control (i.e., difficulty ignoring inrely-aut information and focusing on goal-relevant formations of the besteved
			Sinformation) is often observed

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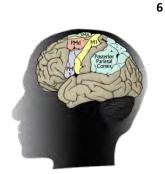




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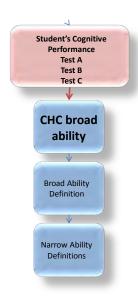
SLD Area	Skill	Etiology	Associated impairments / Cognitive correlates
	Clarity of written expression	Neural correlates of writing are less understood, but some studies have suggested that the cerebellum and parietal cortex, particularly the left superior parietal lobe, may be involved (Katanoda et al., 2001; Magrassi et al., 2010). In addition, the frontal lobes have also been implicated and are considered crucial in planning, brainstorming, organizing, and goal setting (Shah et al., 2013).  While there is a significant genetic component involved in the development of writing skills, this etiology is often shared with a broad variety of reading and language skills (Olson et al., 2013).	Working memory – a substantial body of research has highlighted the role of working memory in written expression, as text generation requires the coordination of multiple processes, such as synthesizing multiple ideas, retrieving grammar rules from long-term storage, and ongoing self-monitoring (Berninger, 1999; Bourke et al., 2013; Hooper et al., 2002; McCutchen, 1996).  Attention and executive functioning – a variety of executive functioning – a variety of executive functioning have been implicated in written expression (Altemeier, 2006; Graham, Gillespie, & McKeown, 2013; Graham & Harnis, 2005; Hooper et al., 2002; Mason, Harris, & Graham, 2011; Reiter, Tucha, & Lange, 2005; Rosenblum et al., 2009; Trois & Graham, 2002).  Language – level of Knowledge of syntax, morphology, semantics, vocabulary has a significant impact on text generation ability (Dockrell, Lindsay, & Connelly, 2009; Fey, Catts, Proctor-Williams, Isomblin, & Zhang, 2004; Olinghouse & Wilson, 2013). Language impairments are associated with higher rates of grammatical errors, less lexical diversity, and poorer overall content (Fey et al., 2004; Masche & Dockrell, 2004).



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### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)



# A Student's Cognitive Processing and Ability Strengths and Weaknesses Informs Diagnosis and Intervention

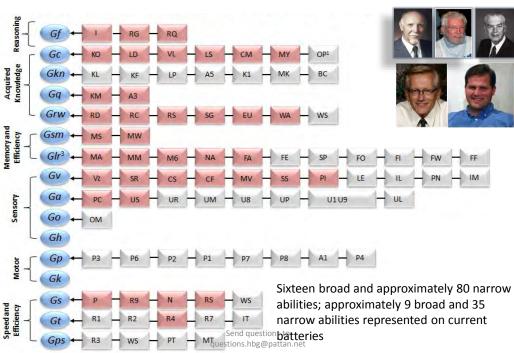
A Comprehensive Evaluation for Suspected SLD Ought to Include Measurement of Cognitive Abilities and Processes within at least Seven CHC Domains

 SLD has neurobiological influences and is defined by specific cognitive processing weaknesses

### •Evidence of cognitive-achievement relationships

- •Cognitive processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances (e.g., reading, math, writing)
- Cognitive processing weaknesses obstruct learning; when identified, steps can be taken to minimize the effects of these weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum
- •Some cognifered questions to general and the constant of the

# Current and Expanded Cattell-Horn-Carroll (CHC) Model of Cognitive Abilities (adapted from Schneider & McGrew, 2012)



## Summary of Relations between CHC Abilities and Specific Areas of Academic Achievement (Berninger, 2013; Flanagan et al., 2006, 2013; McDonough, et al., 2016; McGrew & Wendling, 2010; McGrew et al., 2014)

	Reading Achievement	Math Achievement	Writing Achievement
Gf (	Inductive (I) and general sequential reasoning (RG) abilities play a moderate role in reading comprehension. Executive functions, such as planning, organization, and self-monitoring are also important.	Reasoning inductively and deductively with numbers (RQ) is very important for math problem solving at all ages. Executive functions, such as set shifting and cognitive inhibition are also important.	Inductive (I) and general sequential reasoning abilities (RG) are consistently related to written expression at all ages. Executive functions, such as attention, planning, and self-monitoring are also important.
Ge	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and listening ability (LS) are important at all ages for reading acquisition and development. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Oral Language, Listening Comprehension, and EF (planning, organization, self-monitoring) also important for reading comprehension.	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and listening abilities (LS) are important at all ages. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Number representation (e.g., quantifying sets without counting, estimating relative magnitude of sets) and number comparisons related to overall Number Sense.	Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and general information (K0) are important primarily after about the 2°d grade. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Level of knowledge of syntax, morphology, semantics, and VL has a significant impact on clarity of written expression and text generation ability.
Gwm	Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gwm important for overall reading success. Phonological memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.	Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gmw important for math problem solving and overall success in math.	Memory span (MS) is important to writing, especially spelling skills whereas working memory has shown relations with advanced writing skills (e.g., written expression; synthesizing multiple ideas, ongoing self-monitoring). Graw important for overall writing success.
Gν	Orthographic Processing (often measured by tests of perceptual speed that use orthographic units as stimuli) – reading rate and fluency.	Visualization (VZ), including mental rotation, is important primarily for higher level (e.g., geometry, calculus) and <b>math problem solving</b> .	Orthographic Processing (often measured by tests of perceptual speed that use orthographic units as stimuli) - <b>spelling</b>
Ga	Phonetic coding (PC) or "phonological awareness/processing" is very important during the elementary school years for the development of basic reading skills. Phonological memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.		Phonetic coding (PC) or "phonological awareness/processing" is very important during the elementary school years for both basic writing skills and written expression (primarily before about grade 5).
Glr	Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (also called speed of lexical access) is very important during the elementary school years for reading rate and fluency. Associative memory (MA) is also important.	Naming Facility (NA; or speed of lexical access); Associative Memory (MA) — memorization and rapid retrieval of basic math facts; accurate and fluent calculation.	Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (also called speed of lexical access) has demonstrated relations with written expression, primarily writing fluency. Storing and retrieving commonly occurring letter patterns in visual and motor memory are needed for spelling.
Gs	Perceptual speed (P) abilities are important during all school years, particularly the elementary school years.	Perceptual speed (P) important during all years, esponant traduction for math ucalculation flugges pattan.net	Perceptual speed (P) abilities are important during all school years for basic writing and related to all ages for written expression.

# What is Fluid Reasoning (Gf)? \*

Fluid Reasoning (*Gf*) refers to a type of thinking that an individual may use when faced with a relatively new task that cannot be performed automatically.

- forming and recognizing concepts (e.g., how are a dog, cat, and cow alike?) \*
- identifying and perceiving relationships (e.g., sun is to morning as moon is to *night*)
- drawing inferences (e.g., after reading a story, answering the question, "What will John do next?")
- reorganizing or transforming information (e.g., selecting one of several pictures to complete a puzzle).



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# Fluid Reasoning (Gf) &

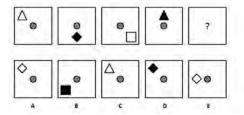
Broad Ability	Definition
Fluid Reasoning (Gf)	The deliberate but flexible control of attention to solve novel, "on-the-spot" problems that cannot be performed by relying exclusively on previously learned habits, schemas, and scripts.

Induction (I)	The ability to observe a phenomenon and discover the underlying principles or rules that determine its behavior.
General Sequential Reasoning (RG)	The ability to reason logically, using known premises and principles.
Quantitative Reasoning (RQ)	The ability to reason, either with induction or deduction, with numbers, mathematical relations, and operators.

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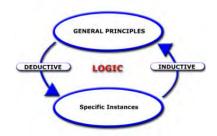
	Induction (I)	Age Range
CAS-2	Matrices	5-18
CTONI-2	Geometric Analogies	6-89
CTONI-2	Geometric Categories	6-89
CTONI-2	Pictorial Analogies	6-89
CTONI-2	Pictorial Categories	6-89
DAS-II	Matrices	3:6-17
DAS-II	Picture Similarities	2:6-6
D-KEFS	Sorting Test: Free Sorting	8-89
D-KEFS	Sorting Test: Sort Recognition	8-89
D-KEFS	Twenty Questions Test	8-89
KABC-II	Pattern Reasoning	7-18
KBIT-2	Matrices	4-90
Leiter-3	Classification and Analogies	3-75
NAB	Categories	18-97
NEPSY-II	Animal Sorting	7-16
RAIT	Sequences	10-75
SB5	Nonverbal Fluid Reasoning	2-85+
SB5	Verbal Fluid Reasoning	2-85+
SHIPLEY-2	Abstractions	7-89
TONI-4	Test of Nonverbal Intelligence – 4th Edition	6-90
TVCF	Classification	8-89
WAIS-IV	Matrix Reasoning	16-90
WASI-2	Matrix Reasoning	6-90
WECH	Matrix Reasoning	4-90
WISC-IV	Matrix Reasoning	6-16
WISC-IV	Picture Concepts	6-16
WISC-V	Matrix Reasoning	6-16
WISC-V	Picture Concepts	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Concept Formation	4-90+
WJ IV COG	Concept Formation	2-80+
WNV	Matrices	4-21
WPPSI-III	Matrix Reasoning	4-7:3
WPPSI-IV	Matrix Reasoning	4-7:7

**Task Example:** An examinee is presented with a certain pattern of related stimuli and must select one of several stimuli that would complete or continue the pattern.



33 Subtests Measure Induction (Gf - I)

Gen	eral Sequential Reasoning (RG)	Age Range
CTONI-2	Geometric Sequences	6-89
CTONI-2	Pictorial Sequences	6-89
D-KEFS	Word Context Test	8-89
KABC-II	Story Completion (7-18 years)	7-18
KBNA	Conceptual Shifting	20-89
Leiter-3	Sequential Order	3-75
Leiter-3	Visual Patterns	3-75
NNAT-2	Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test	5-17
PLAI 2	Reasoning	3-5
RAIT	Nonverbal Analogies	10-75
RIAS	Odd-Item Out	3-94
WISC-V	Figure Weights	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Analysis-Synthesis	4-90+
WJ IV COG	Analysis-Synthesis	5-80+



14 Subtests Measure General Sequential Reasoning or Deduction (Gf – RG)

**Task Example:** An examinee is presented with an incomplete logic puzzle and must deduce the missing components following careful analysis of the presented stimuli.

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G	Quantitative Reasoning (RQ)	Age Range
DAB-I	Math Reasoning	13-17
DAS-II	Sequential & Quantitative Reasoning	7-17
KM3	Applied Problem Solving	5-21
KTEA-3	Math Concepts & Application	4-25:11
RAIT	Quantitative Reasoning	10-75
SB5	Nonverbal Quantitative Reasoning	2-85+
SB5	Verbal Quantitative Reasoning	2-85+
WAIS-IV	Figure Weights	16-90
WIAT-III	Math Problem Solving	4-50
WJ III NU ACH	Applied Problems	2-90+
WJ III NU ACH	Quantitative Concepts	2-90+
WJ III NU ACH Form C	Applied Problems	2-90+
WJ III NU DS	Number Matrices	4-90+
WJ III NU DS	Number Series	4-90+
WJ IV ACH	Number Matrices	5-80+
WJ IV ACH	Applied Problems	2-80+
WJ IV COG	Number Series	5-80+



Measures of Quantitative Reasoning are about evenly distributed across cognitive and achievement batteries

**Task Example:** An examinee is presented with an incomplete series of related numbers and must select the number(s) that best complete the series.

2, 4, 1	12, 48, 240, 1440,
Describe	the Pattern:
2, 6, 1	12, 20, 30, 42, 56,
Describe	the Pattern:
1, 8, 2	27, 64, 125, 216, 343,
Describe	the Pattern:
0, 3, 8	3, 15, 24, 35, 48,
Describe	the Pattern:

# 17 Subtests Measure Quantitative Reasoning (Gf – RQ)

## **Relations between Gf and Reading Achievement**

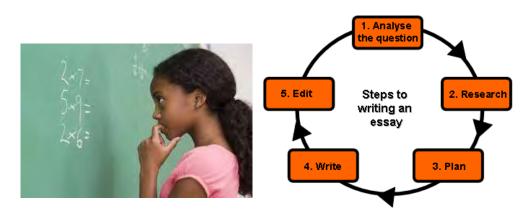
 Gf – Induction (I) and general sequential reasoning (RG) play a moderate role in reading comprehension

Executive functions – planning, organization, and self-monitoring are also important



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### **Relations between Gf and Math and Writing Achievement**



**Quantitative Reasoning (RQ)** consistently related to math achievement

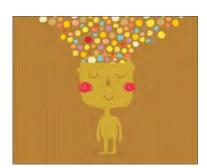
**Executive functions**, such as set shifting and cognitive inhibitions are also important

Induction (I) and General Sequential Reasoning (RG; Deduction) consistently related to written expression

**Executive functions**, such as attention, Send questions planning, and self-monitoring are also questions.hbg@patimportant.

# Crystallized Intelligence (Gc) \*

- a person's knowledge base (or general fund of information) that has built up over time, beginning in infancy.
- your own personal library or everything you know.
- Having well developed or good Crystallized intelligence means that one understands and uses language well, has an average or better vocabulary, has good listening skills, and is able to use language well via verbal expression.



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## Crystallized Knowledge - Gc &

Broad Ability	Definition
Crystallized Intelligence or Crystallized Knowledge (Gc)	The depth and breadth and of knowledge and skills that are valued by one's culture.

General Verbal Information (K0)	The breadth and depth of knowledge that one's culture deems essential, practical, or otherwise worthwhile for everyone to know.
Language Development (LD)	General understanding of spoken language at the level of words, idioms, and sentences.
Lexical Knowledge (VL)	Extent of vocabulary that can be understood in terms of correct word meanings.

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Ge	eneral Verbal Information (K0)	Age Range
APAT	Sentence Absurdities	5-12
BSRA-3	Letters	3-6
BSRA-3	Shapes	3-6
KABC-II	Story Completion	5-6
KBNA	Clocks	20-89
KBNA	Orientation	20-89
KBNA	Practical Problem Solving	20-89
KBNA	Praxis	20-89
LPT3	Associations	5-11
LPT3	Attributes	5-11
LPT3	Categorization	5-11
NAB	Judgment	18-97
NAB	Orientation	18-97
NEPSY-II	Body Part Naming and Identification	3-4
NEPSY-II	Clocks	7-16
RIAS	Guess What	3-94
SB5	Nonverbal Knowledge	2-85+
тос	Abbreviations	6-17
тос	Signs and Symbols	6-17
WAIS-IV	Comprehension	16-90
WAIS-IV	Information	16-90
WECH	Comprehension	4-90
WECH	Information	2:6-90
WECH	Picture Concepts	4-7:7
WISC-IV	Comprehension	6-16
WISC-IV	Information	6-16
WISC-IV Integrated	Comprehension Multiple Choice	6-16
WISC-IV Integrated	Information Multiple Choice	6-16
WISC-V	Comprehension	6-16
WISC-V	Information	6-16
WJ III NU ACH	Academic Knowledge	2-90+
WJ III NU COG	General Information	2-90+
WJ IV COG	General Information	2-80+
WPPSI-III	Comprehension	4-7:3
WPPSI-III	Information	2:6-7:3
WPPSI-III	Picture Concepts	4-7:3
WPPSI-IV	Comprehension	4-7:7
WPPSI-IV	Information	Send ques 2:6-7:7
WPPSI-IV	Picture Concepts	questio <u>ns.</u> hbg

# Approximately 40 Subtests Measure & General Information (Gc - K0) &



**Task Example:** An examinee must provide specific responses to \* questions of general factual \* information (e.g., In what direction does the sun set?) \*

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	Language Development (LD)	Age Range
CELF-4	Sentence Assembly	9-21
CELF-Pre2	Word Classes(Receptive,Expressive,Total)	4-6
D-KEFS	Proverb Test: Free Inquiry	16-89
D-KEFS	Proverb Test: Recognition	16-89
ITPA-3	Spoken Vocabulary	5-12
PLAI 2	Reordering	3-5
TACL-4	Elaborated Phrases and Sentences	3-12
TACL-4	Grammatical Phonemes	3-12
TAPS-3	Auditory Reasoning	4-18
TOLD-I:4	Sentence Combining	8-17
TOLD-I:4	Word Ordering	8-17
Word-2	Flexible Word Use	6-17



### 12 Subtests Measure Language Development (Gc – LD)

The definition of narrow ability LD may appear redundant to a large extent with the definition of the broad ability of Gc. In general, the narrow LD code is reserved for those subtests that require understanding and use of more complex language (e.g., understanding idioms)

Clarification: Language development is an *intermediate category* between Gc and more specific-related abilities (e.g., lexical knowledge). It is a label for all language abilities.

4.7 4-7 2:6-90+ 6-13 5-12 5-12 3-18 3-18 3-18 4-90 20-89 6-25:11 6-11 5-11 6-11 5-11 18-97 3-21 Birth-7 0-7 2-90+ 8-89 10-75 10-75 2-80+ 3-12 12-24 12-24 12-24 8-17 8-17 4-8 4-8 (X-BASS)

			EOWPVT-4	Expressive One Word Vocabulary Picture Test
	Lexical Knowledge (VL)	Age Range	ERA	Receptive Vocabulary
AAB	Listening Comprehension: Passages	4-85	ERA	Written Word Vocabulary
APAT	Semantic Relationships	5-12	EVT-2	EVT-2 (Form A and B)
BBCS-3:R	Direction/Position	3-6	GDRT 2	Listening Vocabulary
BBCS-3:R	Quantity	3-6	ITPA-3	Spoken Analogies
BBCS-3:R	Self/Social Awareness	3-6	ITPA-3	Written Vocabulary
	· ·		KABC-II	Expressive Vocabulary
BBCS-3:R	Subtests 1-5 (SRC)	3-6	KABC-II	Riddles
BBCS-3:R	Texture/Material	3-6	KABC-II	Verbal Knowledge
BBCS-3:R	Time/Sequence	3-6	KBIT-2	Riddles
BBCS-E	Direction/Position	3-6	KBIT-2	Verbal Knowledge
BBCS-E	Quantity	3-6	KBNA	Picture Naming
BBCS-E	Self/Social Awareness	3-6	KTEA-3	Reading Vocabulary
BBCS-E	Subtests 1-5 (SRC)	3-6	LCT 2	Vocabulary
BBCS-E	Texture/Material	3-6	LPT3	Differences
BBCS-E	Time/Sequence	3-6	LPT3	Multiple Meanings
BSRA-3	Colors	3-6	LPTA	Similarities
BSRA-3	Size Comparisons	3-6	NAB	Naming
BVAT-NU	Oral Vocabulary	4-90+	OWLS-II	Listening Comprehension
BVAT-NU	Picture Vocabulary	4-90+	PLAT2	Matching
BVAT-NU	Verbal Analogies	4-90+	PLS-5	Auditory Comprehension
CELF-4	Expressive Vocabulary	5-9	PLS-5	Expressive Communication
CELF-4	Word Classes-Expressive	5-21	PPVT-4	Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test
CELF-4	Word Classes-Receptive	5-21	PTI-2	Verbal Abstractions
CELF-4	Word Definitions	10-21	QPRT	Quick Picture Reading Test
CELF-5	Word Classes-Expressive	5-21	RAIT	Odd-Word Out
CELF-5	Word Classes-Receptive	5-21	RAIT	Word Opposites
CELF-5	Word Definitions	10-21	RIAS	Verbal Reasoning
CELF-3 CELF-Pre2	Basic Concepts	3-4	ROWPVT-4	Receptive One-Word Picture Vocabulary Test
	· ·	3-4 3-6	585	Verbal Knowledge
CELF-Pre2	Expressive Vocabulary		TACL-4	Vocabulary
CREVT-2	Expressive Vocabulary	5-89	TEXL	Vocabulary
CREVT-2	Receptive Vocabulary	4-89	TOAL-4	Spoken Analogies
CREVT-3	Expressive Vocabulary	5-89	TOAL-4	Word Derivations
CREVT-3	Receptive Vocabulary	5-89	TOAL-4	Word Opposites
DAB-3	Synonyms	6-14	TOAL-4	Word Similarities
DAB-4	Synonyms	6-14	TOLD-1:4	Multiple Meanings
DAB-I	Word Relationships	13-17	TOLD-1:4	Picture Vocabulary
DAS-II	Early Number Concepts	2:6-6	TOLD-1:4	Relational Vocabulary
DAS-II	Naming Vocabulary	2:6-6	TOLD-P:4	Oral Vocabulary
DAS-II	Verbal Similarities	7-17	TOLD P:4	Picture Vocabulary
DAS-II	Word Definitions	Send ques		Relational Vocabulary
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Over 130 Subtests Measure & Vocabulary Knowledge (Gc – VL) &

The narrow Gc abilities of General Information (K0), Language Development (LD), and Lexical Knowledge (VL) are measured by cognitive ability and intelligence batteries

**Task Example:** An examinee must provide oral definitions for words of increasing difficulty.

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## Crystallized Knowledge – Gc (Continued) &

Broad Ability	Definition
Crystallized Intelligence or Crystallized	The depth and breadth and of knowledge and skills that
Knowledge (Gc)	are valued by one's culture.

Listening Ability (LS)	The ability to understand speech.
Communication Ability (CM)	The ability to use speech to communicate one's thoughts clearly.
Grammatical Sensitivity (MY)	Awareness of the formal rules of grammar and morphology of words in speech.

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	Listening Ability (LS)	Age Range
AAB	Listening Comprehension: Words & Sentences	3-85
APAT	Complex Sentences	5-12
APAT	Following Directions	5-12
APAT	Passage Comprehension	5-12
CAS-2	Verbal Spatial Relations	5-18
CELF-4	Concepts, and Following Directions	5-12
CEU-4	Semantic Relationships	9-21
CELF-4	Sentence Structure	5-8
CELF-4	Understanding Spoken Paragraphs	5-21
CELF-4	Word Structure	5-8
CELF-S	Following Directions	5-21
CEUI-5	Linguistic Concepts	5-8
CELF-5	Semantic Relationships	9-21
CELF-5	Sentence Comprehension	5-8
CEU-5	Understanding Spoken Paragraphs	5-21
CELP-5	Word Structure	5-8
CELI-Prez	Concepts and Following Directions	3-6
CELF-Pre2	Sentence Structure	3-6
CELF-Pre2	Word Structure	3-6
DAB+3	Characteristics	6-14
DAS-S	Story Comprehension	614
DAD-4	Listening Comprehension	6-14
DASHI	Verbal Comprehension	2:6-6
DELV-NR	Syntax	4-9
KBNA	Auditory Comprehension	20-89
KTFA 3	Listening Comprehension	4.25
KTEA-H	Listening Comprehension	4:6-25
LCT-2	Defail's	6-11
LCT-2	Main Idea	6-11
UCT-2	Reasoning	6-11
LCT-2	Understanding Messages	6.11
NAS	Auditory Comprehension	18-97
NAS	Bill Payment	18-97
NEPSY-II	Comprehension of Instructions	3-16
NLPSY-II	Theory of Mind	3-16
PLAI 2	Recentive	3.5
PLAI Z	Selective Analysis	3-5
TAPS-3	Auditory Comprehension	4-18
TNL	Narrative Comprehension	5-11
TOLD-P:4	Syntactic Understanding	5-11 4-R
TTEC 2	Token Test for Children	8-12
WITHING ACH	Oral Comprehension	2-90+
		2.00
WI III NU ACH	Understanding Oirections	2-90)
WJ III NU DRB	Oral Comprehension	2-90+
M) IV OL	Oral Comprehension	2-80+
WML5 R: NU	Understanding Directions	2-90 que
WRMT-3	Listening Comprehension	4.6-79



Approximately 50 Subtests Measure & Listening Ability (Gc – LS) &

Task Example: An examinee is presented with an incomplete verbal passage and must provide a word that completes the passage.

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	Communication Ability (CM)	Age Range
AAB	Oral Expression	5-85
AAB	Oral Production	5-12
CELF-5	Formulated Sentences	5-21
CELF-4	Formulated Sentences	5-21
DELV-NR	Pragmatics	4-9
KBNA	Picture Description Oral	20-89
KTEA-3	Oral Expression	4-25
KTEA-II	Oral Expression	4:6-25
NAB	Oral Production	18-97
OWLS-II	Oral Expression	3-21
PLAI 2	Expressive	3-5
SPELT-3	Structured Photographic Expressive Language Test	4-9
TNL	Oral Narration	5-11
тос	Abbreviations	6-17
тос	Signs and Symbols	6-17



## 15 Subtests Measure Communication Ability (Gc – CM)

There are over three times as many tests of Listening Ability (Receptive Language) as compared to Communication Ability (Expressive Language)

**Task Example**: An examinee is presented with a starting stimulus word and must use the word properly in a sentence.

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	Grammatical Sensitivity (MY)	Age Range
CELF-5	Sentence Assembly	9-21
DAB-3	Grammatic Completion	6-14
DAB-I	Grammatic Sentences	13-17
DELV-NR	Semantics	4-9
ITPA-3	Morphological Closure	5-12
TEXL	Elaborated Phrases and Sentences	3-12
TEXL	Grammatical Morphemes	3-12
TOAL-3	Sentence Combining	12-24
TOAL-4	Sentence Combining	12-24
TOLD-1:4	Morphological Comprehension	8-17
TOLD-P:4	Morphological Completion	4-8



# 11 Subtests Measure Grammatical Sensitivity (Gc – MY)

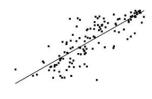
The narrow Gc abilities of Listening Ability (LS), Communication Ability (CM), and Grammatical Sensitivity (MY) are measured primarily by speech-language batteries (and to a lesser extent, achievement batteries)

**Task Example**: An examinee must correctly label the parts of speech contained in a sentence and/or correct those parts of speech that are used incorrectly.

### **Relations between Gc Abilities and Reading Achievement**

Gc – Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), general information (KO) and listening ability (LS) are important at all ages.
 These abilities become increasingly important with age





 Oral Language, Listening Comprehension, and Executive Functions (planning, organization, self-monitoring) also important for reading comprehension

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### Relations between Gc Abilities and Math and Writing Achievement



Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and listening abilities (LS) are important at all ages. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Number representation (e.g., quantifying sets without counting, estimating relative magnitude of sets) and number comparisons related to overall Number Sense.



Language development (LD), lexical knowledge (VL), and general information (K0) are important primarily after about the 2nd grade. These abilities become increasingly important with age. Level of knowledge of syntax, morphology, semantics, and VL has a significant impact on clarity of written expression and text generation ability.

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# Auditory Processing (Ga) \*

- Auditory processing (Ga) refers to the ability to perceive, analyze, and synthesize a variety of auditory information (e.g., sounds).
  - auditory processing include listening to words with missing letters and saying the correct word (e.g., hearing "olipop" and saying "lollipop")
  - listening to piano music and identifying the key in which the piece is being played (e.g., C sharp)





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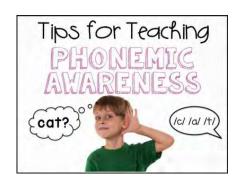
## **Auditory Processing - Ga &**

Broad Ability	Definition
Auditory Processing (Ga)	The ability to detect and process meaningful nonverbal information in sound.

Phonetic coding (PC)	The ability to hear phonemes distinctly.
Speech Sound Discrimination (US)	The ability to detect and discriminate differences in speech sounds (other than phonemes) under conditions of little distraction or distortion.
Resistance to Auditory Stimulus Distortion (UR)	The ability to hear words correctly even under conditions of distortion or loud background noise.
Memory for Sound Patterns (UM)	The ability to retain ( <u>on a short-term basis</u> ) auditory events such as tones, tonal patterns, and voices.
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	Phonetic Coding (PC)	Age Range
AAB	Reading Foundational Skills	3-8
APAT	Phonemic Awareness	5-12
ASA	Blending	5-6
CELF-4	Phonological Awareness	5-12
CELF-Pre2	Phonological Awareness	3-6
CTOPP-2	Blending Nonwords	4-24
CTOPP-2	Blending Words	4-24
CTOPP-2	Elision	4-24
CTOPP-2	Phoneme Isolation	7-24
CTOPP-2	Segmenting Nonwords	7-24
CTOPP-2	Sound Matching	4-6
DAB-3	Phonemic Analysis	6-14
DAS-II	Phonological Processing	5-12
ERA	Phonological Awareness	4-7
GDRT-2	Phonetic Analysis	6-13
GDRT-2	Phonological Awareness	6-13
ITPA-3	Sound Deletion	5-12
KTEA-3	Phonological Processing	4-25
KTEA-II	Phonological Awareness	5-12
NEPSY-II	Phonological Processing	3-16
SCAN-3:A	Filtered Words	13-50
SCAN-3:C	Filtered Words	5-12
TAPS-3	Phonological Blending	4-18
TAPS-3	Phonological	4-18
TAPS-3	Word Discrimination	4-18
TOLD-P:4	Phonemic Analysis	4-8
TOPA-2+	Letter Sounds	5-18
TOPA-2+	Phonological Awareness	5-18
TOPAS	Incomplete Words	5-10
TOPAS	Phoneme Deletion	5-10
TOPAS	Rhyming	5-10
TOPAS	Sound Sequencing	6-10
TOPEL	Phonological Awareness	3-5
WIAT-III	Early Reading Skills	4-9
WI III NU ACH	Sound Awareness	4-90+
WJ III NU COG	Incomplete Words	6-90+
WJ III NU COG	Sound Blending	2-90+
WI III NU DRB	Sound Awareness	4-90+
WJ III NU DRB	Sound Blending	2-90+
WJ IV ACH	Word Attack	5-80+
WJ IV COG	Phonological Processing	3-80+
WI IV OL	Segmentation	3-80+
WJ IV OL	Sound Awareness	3-80+ S
WJ IV OL	Sound Blending	2-80+est
WRMT-3	Phonological Awareness	4:6-8



**Task Example**: An examinee blends sounds together fluently to form words.

Phonemic Awareness tests are found on cognitive, achievement, speech-language, and special purpose (e.g., reading) tests

45 Subtests Measure Phonetic Coding (Ga – PC)

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Resistance to Auditory Stimulus Distortion (UR)		Age Range
SCAN-3:A	Auditory Figure-Ground at Odb	13-50
SCAN-3:A	Auditory Figure-Ground at 12dB	13-50
SCAN-3:A	Auditory Figure-Ground at 8dB	13-50
SCAN-3:A	Time Compressed Sentences	13-50
SCAN-3:C	Auditory Figure-Ground at Odb	5-12
SCAN-3:C	Auditory Figure-Ground at 12dB	5-12
SCAN-3:C	Auditory Figure-Ground at 8dB	5-12
SCAN-3:C	Time Compressed Sentences	5-12
WJ III NU COG	Auditory Attention	2-90+

Age Range

Musical Discrimination and Judgment (U1 U9)

ASA	Ional Discrimination	5-6
5	Speech Sound Discrimination (US)	Age Range
ASA	Rhyming	5-6
ASA	Speech Discrimination in Noise	3-6
ASA	Tonal Patterning	5-6
KBNA	Auditory Signal Detection	20-89
SCAN-3:A	Competing Words-Free Recall	13-50
SCAN-3:C	Competing Words-Free Recall	5-12
TOLD-P:4	Word Discrimination	4-8
WJ III NU DS	Sound Patterns-Music	6-90+
WJ III NU DS	Sound Patterns-Voice	6-90+

	Sound Localization (UL)	Age Range
SCAN-3:A	Competing Sentences	13-50
SCAN-3:A	Competing Words-Directed Ear	13-50
SCAN-3:C	Competing Sentences	5-12
SCAN-3:C	Competing Words-Directed Ear	5-12

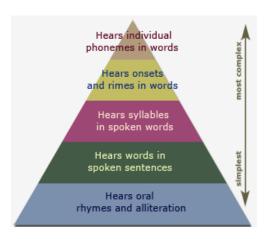


The majority of Ga narrow abilities are assessed by audiologists

Task Example of UR: An examinee must identify mono- and multisyllabic words while listening to an increasing level of noise presented through earphones.

## **Relations between Ga and Reading Achievement**

- Ga Phonetic Coding (PC) or phonological awareness/ phonological processing – very important during the elementary school years for development of basic reading skills.
- Phonological Memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.



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## **Relations between Ga and Writing Achievement**



Phonetic coding (PC) or "phonological awareness/processing" is very important during the elementary school years for both basic writing skills (e.g., spelling) and written expression (primarily before about grade 5).

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# Most Intelligence and Cognitive Batteries do not Measure Ga &

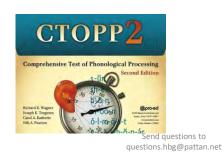




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### **Assessing Phonological Processing Related to Reading**

- Examples of assessments of phonological processing directly related to reading:
  - PAL-II Rhyming, Syllables, Phonemes, Rimes
  - KTEA-II Phonological Awareness Subtest
  - NEPSY-II Phonological Processing Subtest
  - WJ IV Phonological Processing Test
  - **DAS-II** Phonological Processing Subtest
  - CTOPP-II Blending and Segmenting Subtests
  - FAR Feifer Assessment of Reading





## Short-term (Working) Memory (Gsm) \*

- Short-term memory (Gsm) is the ability to hold information in one's mind and then use it within a few seconds.
  - holding a phone number in one's mind long enough to dial it.



 Working Memory Capacity is also part of the short-term memory system and involves manipulating or transforming information and using it in some way (e.g., saying the months of the year backwards).

Sample Items From The Letter-Number Sequencing Test

	<u>ltem</u>	Correct response
LNS-Forward	9 – A – 6 – J – 3 – P	9 – A – 6 – J – 3 – P
LNS-Reordered	E – 1 – R – 8 – M – 7	1-7-8-E-M-R

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## Short-term (Working) Memory (Gsm) \*

- A child with short-term memory difficulties may have a hard time
  - Following directions
  - understanding long reading passages (e.g., a story read aloud by the teacher)
  - Spelling
  - sounding out words
  - and doing math problems (e.g., remembering the steps required to solve long math problems)
- Children who have difficulties with short-term memory do better when they are taught how to use strategies to help them remember things.
  - Mnemonics



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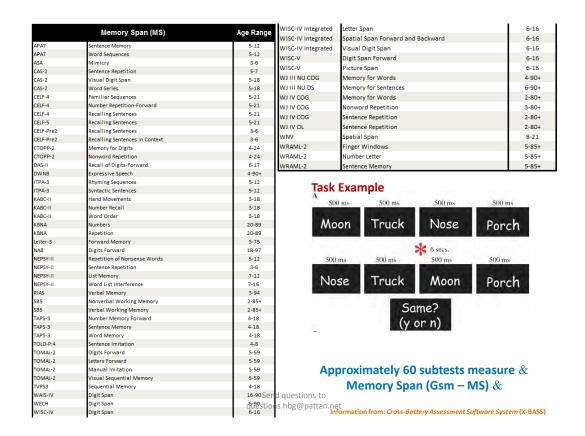
## Short-Term (Working) Memory – Gsm (Gwm) $\delta$

Broad Ability	Definition
Short-Term (Working) Memory	The ability to encode, maintain and manipulate
(Gsm/Gwm)	information in one's immediate awareness.

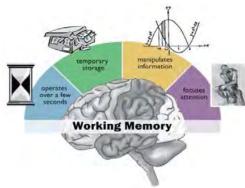
Memory Span (MS)	The ability to maintain information in primary memory and immediately reproduce the information in the same sequence in which it was represented.
Working Memory Capacity (MW)	The ability to direct the focus of attention to perform relatively simple manipulations, combinations, and transformations of information within primary memory, while avoiding distracting stimuli and engaging in strategic/controlled searches for information in secondary memory.

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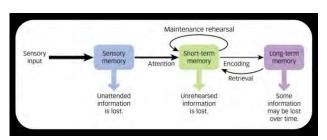
Task Example: An examinee is presented a series of numbers and words in a mixed-up order and is then required to reorder and say the complete list of numbers first in order followed by the words in order.

Approximately 40 subtests measure ions to Working Memory Capacity (Gsm – MW)

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### **Relations between Gsm and Achievement**

 Gsm – Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) are important at all ages



### Reading

Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gwm important for overall reading success.

Phonological memory or WM for verbal and sound-based information may also be important.

#### Math

Memory span (MS) and working memory capacity (WM) or attentional control. Gmw important for math problem solving and overall success in math.

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### Writing

Memory span (MS) is important to writing, especially spelling skills whereas working memory has shown relations with advanced writing skills (e.g., written expression; synthesizing multiple ideas, ongoing self-monitoring). Gmw important for overall writing success.

## Long-term Storage and Retrieval (Glr) \*

 Refers to an individual's ability to take in and store a variety of information (e.g., ideas, names, concepts) in one's mind and then retrieve it quickly and easily at a later time by using association.





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## What is Long-term Storage and Retrieval (Glr)? \*

- This ability does not represent what is stored in long-term memory or what you know. Rather, it represents the process of storing and retrieving information.
- When someone says, "It's on the tip of my tongue," they are having a hard time retrieving something that they know.



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## Long-Term Storage and Retrieval - Glr &

Broad Ability	Definition
Long-Term Storage and Retrieval (Glr)	The ability to store, consolidate, and retrieve information over periods of time measured in minutes,
	hours, days, and years.

### **Learning Efficiency (Carroll's superordinate L1 ability)**

Associative Memory (MA)	The ability to remember previously unrelated information as having been paired.
Meaningful Memory (MM)	The ability to remember narratives and other forms of semantically related information.
Free Recall Memory (M6)	The ability to recall lists in any order.

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	Associative Memory (MA)	Age Range
APAT	Cued Recall	5-12
KABC-II	Atlantis	3-18
KABC-II	Atlantis Delayed	5-18
KABC-II	Rebus	4-18
KABC-II	Rebus Delayed	5-18
NEPSY-II	Memory For Names	5-16
NEPSY-II	Memory for Names Delayed	5-16
TOMAL-2	Paired Recall	5-59
WISC-IV Integrated	Coding Recall	6-16
WISC-V	Delayed Symbol Translation	6-16
WISC-V	Immediate Symbol Translation	6-16
WISC-V	Recognition Symbol Translation	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Delayed Recall: Visual-Auditory Learning	4-90+
WJ III NU COG	Visual Auditory Learning	4-90+
WJ III NU DS	Delayed Recall: Memory for Names	2-90+
WJ III NU DS	Memory for Names	2-90+
WJ IV COG	Visual-Auditory Learning	2-80+
WMS-4	Verbal Paired Associates I	16-90
WMS-4	Verbal Paired Associates II	16-90
WRAML-2	Sound Symbol	5-8
WRAML-2	Sound Symbol Delay Recall	5-8



21 subtests measure Associative Memory (Glr – MA)

**Task Example**: An examinee is presented with a set of visual stimuli paired with nonsense words and must correctly identify the nonsense word that had been presented with a certain visual stimulus.

	Meaningful Memory (MM)	Age Range
APAT	Content Memory Delayed	5-12
APAT	Content Memory Immediate	5-12
KTEA-3	Listening Comprehension	4-25
NAB	Daily Living Memory	18-97
NAB	Story Learning	18-97
NEPSY-II	Narrative Memory	3-16
TOMAL-2	Memory for Stories	5-59
TOMAL-2	Memory for Stories-Delayed	5-59
WJ III NU ACH	Story Recall	2-90+
WJ III NU ACH	Story Recall-Delayed	3-90+
WJ IV ACH	Reading Recall	5-80+
WJ IV COG	Story Recall	2-80+
WMLS-R: NU	Story Recall	2-90+
WMS-4	Logical Memory I	16-90
WMS-4	Logical Memory II Delayed Recall	16-90
WMS-4	Logical Memory II Recognition	16-90
WRAML2	Story Memory	5-85+
WRAML2	Story Memory Recall	5-85+
WRAML2	Story Memory Recognition	5-85+



19 subtests measure Meaningful Memory (Glr – MM)

**Task Example**: An examinee is presented with a short story and must retell the story as accurately as possible immediately following a single presentation.

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	Free-recall Memory (M6)	Age Range
DAS-II	Recall of Objects-Delayed	4-17
DAS-II	Recall of Objects-Immediate	4-17
KBNA	Word Lists 1	20-89
KBNA	Word Lists 2	20-89
NAB	List Learning	18-97
NEPSY-II	List Memory Delayed	7-12
NEPSY-II	Memory for Designs Delayed	3-16
NEPSY-II	Memory for Faces Delayed	5-16
TOMAL-2	Object Recall	5-59
TOMAL-2	Visual Selective Reminding	5-59
TOMAL-2	Word Selective Reminding	5-59
TOMAL-2	Word Selective Reminding-Delayed	5-59
WRAML2	Verbal Learning	5-85+
WRAML2	Verbal Learning Recall	5-85+
WRAML2	Verbal Learning Recognition	5-85+

15 subtests measure Free Recall Memory (Glr – M6)



**Task Example**: An examinee is \* presented with a series of words \* and, after they are removed, \* must recall as many of the words \* as possible in any order. \*

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## Long-Term Storage and Retrieval – Glr (Cont.) $\delta$

Broad Ability	Definition
Long-Term Storage and Retrieval (Glr)	The ability to store, consolidate, and retrieve information over periods of time measured in minutes, hours, days, and years.

### **Retrieval Fluency (or Speed of Lexical Access)**

Ideational Fluency (FI)	The ability to rapidly produce a series of ideas, words, or phrases related to a specific condition or object.
Word Fluency (FW)	The ability to rapidly produce words that share a non-semantic feature.
Figural Fluency (FF)	Ability to rapidly draw or sketch as many things (or elaborations) as possible when presented with a non-meaningful visual stimulus (e.g., a set of unique visual elements).
Naming Facility (NA)	The ability to rapidly name pictures, letters or objects that are known to the individual.
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	Ideational Fluency (FI)	Age Range
AAB	Oral Fluency	4-85
CELF-4	Word Associations	5-21
D-KEFS	Verbal Fluency Test: Category Fluency	8-89
D-KEFS	Verbal Fluency Test: Category Switching	8-89
KTEA-3	Associational Fluency	4-25
KTEA-II	Associational Fluency	4:6-25
NAB	Word Generation	18-97
NEPSY-II	Word Generation	3-16
TVCF	Categorical Fluency	8-89
WJ III NU COG	Retrieval Fluency	6-90+
WJ IV OL	Retrieval Fluency	2-80+

Word Fluency (FW)		Age Range
D-KEFS	Verbal Fluency Test: Letter Fluency	8-89
KBNA	Sequences	20-89
KBNA	Verbal Fluency	20-89
TVCF	Letter Naming	8-89
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	Figural Fluency (FF)	Age Range
)-KEFS	Design Fluency Test: Empty Dots Only	8-89
)-KEFS	Design Fluency Test: Filled Dots	8-89
)-KEFS	Design Fluency Test: Switching	8-89

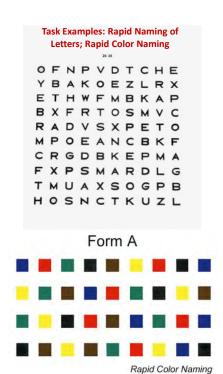
11 subtests measure Ideational Fluency (Glr – FI); Less than a handful measure Word Fluency and Figural Fluency



**Task Example of FI**: An examinee must rapidly name as many kitchen utensils/appliances as s/he can think of within a specified time limit.

**Task Example of FW**: An examinee must name as many words as s/he can think of that start with the "sh" sound within a specified time limit.

	Naming Facility (NA)	Age Range
CAS-2	Expressive Attention	5-18
CELF-4	Rapid Automatic Naming	5-21
CTOPP-2	Rapid Color Naming	4-6
CTOPP-2	Rapid Digit Naming	4-24
CTOPP-2	Rapid Letter Naming	4-24
CTOPP-2	Rapid Object Naming	4-6
DAS-II	Rapid Naming	5-17
D-KEFS	Color-Word Interference: Color-Naming	8-89
D-KEFS	Color-Word Interference: Inhibition	8-89
D-KEFS	Color-Word Interference: Inhibition/ Switching	8-89
D-KEFS	Color-Word Interference: Word Reading	8-89
ERA	Rapid Orthographic Naming	4-7
GDRT-2	Rapid Naming	6-13
KTEA-3	Letter Naming Facility	5-25
KTEA-3	Object Naming Facility	4-25
KTEA-II	Naming Facility	4:6-25
NEPSY-II	Speeded Naming	5-12
RAN/RAS	Colors	5-18
RAN/RAS	Letters	5-18
RAN/RAS	Numbers	5-18
RAN/RAS	Objects	5-18
RAN/RAS	RAS 2-Set	5-18
RAN/RAS	RAS 3-Set	5-18
WISC-V	Naming Speed Literacy	6-16:11
WISC-V	Naming Speed Color-Object	6-16:11
WISC-V	Naming Speed Size-Color-Object	6-16:11
WISC-V	Naming Speed Letter-Number	6-16:11
WJ III NU COG	Rapid Picture Naming	4-90+
WJ IV OL	Rapid Picture Naming	2-80+
WRMT-3	Rapid Automatic Naming	4-8



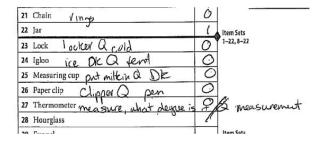
**30 subtests measure Naming Facility** 

(Glr - NA)

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# Evaluation of *Vocabulary Knowledge - Gc* \$ (Looking for an Exact Word) \*

- DAS-II Naming Vocabulary = 79
- CELF-4 Expressive
   Vocabulary = 75



16.	bowling pin Cowling ball	2 1 0
19.	thermometer, termometer, 'mometer MCOGUYI NG LIKE IDIC	2 1 0
20.	scale, weighing scale, weight scale fout Step Where you see had much p	Surels you weigh

Retrieval Difficulties - Glr

# Evaluation of *Vocabulary Knowledge* – Gc (Looking for a Definition of a Word) \*

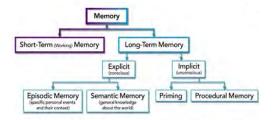
DAS-II Word Definitions = 90

Item	Response	0-1
cissors	Next you cut a	1
<b>1</b> Bed	what you sleep in	1
<b>5</b> Tiny	real they real short like as a mouse Q	
Travel	30 somewhere four away	1
G Crash	you crashing into some body when not looking Q	0
<b>6</b> Disappe	you have made of disapper when plants Hot Go	
Prize	a toy Q you get scrething out of a cross muchon	0
<b>B</b> Discove	ANNES OF UNITED IN	0
9 Collect	DK-Q santhan yellow	0
an Hida	<u> </u>	

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### **Relations between Glr and Achievement**

*GIr* – Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" is very important during the elementary school years. Associative memory (MA) also appears to be important in the early elementary school years.



### Reading

Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (RAN) (also called speed of lexical access) is very important during the elementary school years for reading rate and fluency.

Associative memory (MA) is also important.

### Math

Naming Facility (NA; or speed of lexical access); Associative Memory (MA) – memorization and rapid retrieval of basic math facts; accurate and fluent calculation.

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### Writing

Naming facility (NA) or "rapid automatic naming" (also called speed of lexical access) has demonstrated relations with written expression, primarily writing fluency. Storing and retrieving commonly occurring letter patterns in visual and motor memory are needed for spelling.

# Schneider and McGrew's CHC-based Conceptualization of Gsm and Glr with WISC-V Subtests and Corresponding Memory Construct Highlighted

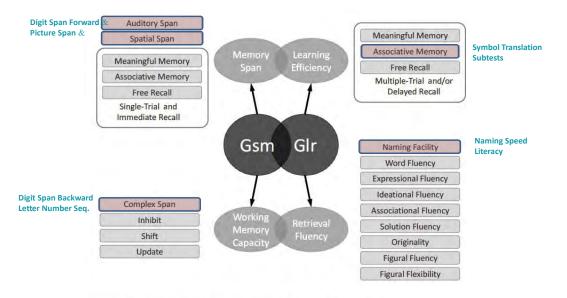


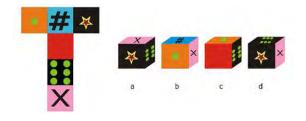
Figure 4.6. Conceptual map of memory-related abilities in CHC theory.

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In Flanagan & Harrison (2012). Contemporary Intellectrical Assessment: Theories, Tests, and Issues (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.). New York: Guilford.

## Visual Processing (Gv) \*

 Visual processing (Gv) is an individual's ability to think about visual patterns (e.g., what is the shortest route from your house to school?) and visual images (e.g., what would this shape look like if I turned it upside down?).

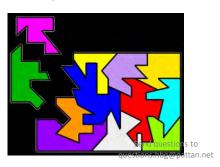


**Mental Rotation: Cube Folding Puzzle** 

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# Visual Processing (Gv) \*

- This type of ability also involves generating, perceiving, and analyzing visual patterns and visual information.
  - putting puzzles together
  - completing a maze (such as the ones often seen on children's menus in restaurants)
  - interpreting a graph or chart.
- Important when doing advanced math (e.g., geometry and calculus).





## **Visual Processing - Gv &**

Broad Ability	Definition
Visual Processing (Gv)	The ability to make use of simulated mental imagery
	(often in conjunction with currently perceived images)
	to solve problems.
Visualization (Vz)	The ability to perceive complex patterns and mentally simulate how they might look when transformed (e.g., rotated, changed in size, partially obscured).
Speeded Rotation (SR)	The ability to solve problems quickly by using mental rotation of simple images.
Closure Speed (CS)	The ability to quickly identify a familiar meaningful visual object from incomplete (e.g., vague, partially obscured, disconnected) visual stimuli, without knowing in advance what the object is.
Visual Memory (MV)	The ability to remember complex visual images over short periods of time (less than 30 seconds).
Spatial Scanning (SS)	The ability to visualize a path out of a maze or a field with many obstacles.

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	Visualization (Vz)	Age Range	WAIS-IV WAIS-IV
AAB	Pre-Writing Skills	3-8	WASI-2
Beery VMI	Beery-VMI	2-99	WECH
Beery VMI	Visual Perception	2-99	WISC-IV
DAS-II	Copying	3:6-6	WISC-IV I
DAS-II	Matching Letter-Like Forms	4-6	WISC-IV Ir
DAS-II	Pattern Construction	2:6-17	WISC-V
D-KEFS	Tower	8-89	WISC-V
DTVP-3	Copying	4-12	WISC-V
DTVP-3	Form Constancy	4-12	WISC-V
DTVP-3	Visual Closure	4-12	WJ III NU
DTVP-A	Copying	11-74	M) IN COO
DTVP-A	Form Constancy	11-74	WMS-4
DTVP-A	Visual Closure	11-74	WNV
FRTVNMI	Full Range Test of Visual Motor Integration	5-74	WPPSI-III
KABC-II	Block Counting	5-18	WPPSI-IV
KABC-II	Pattern Reasoning	5-6	
KABC-II	Triangles	3-18	Task
KABC-II	Conceptual Thinking	3-6	0000
KBNA	Complex Figure 1	20-89	asse
Leiter-3	Form Completion	3-75	stan
MFVPT-3	Motor Free Visual Perception Test	4-70	Stair
NAB	Design Construction	18-97	
NAB	Figure Drawing	18-97	
NAB	Map Reading	18-97	
NAB	Visual Discrimination	18-97	
NEPSY-II	Arrows	5-16	
NEPSY-II	Block Construction	3-6	
NEPSY-II	Design Copying	3-16	
PTI-2	Form Discrimination	3-8	
PTONI	Primary Test of Nonverbal Intelligence	3-9	
SB5	Nonverbal Visual-Spatial Processing	2-85+	
SB5	Verbal Visual-Spatial Processing	2-85+	
SHIPLEY-2	Block Patterns	7-89	
TVMS-3	Test of Visual Motor Skills-Third Edition	3-90+	
TVPS3	Form Constancy	4-18	
TVPS3	Spatial Relations	4-18	
TVPS3	Visual Closure	Sentd18uest	ons to
TVPS3	Visual Discrimination	guestio#3.9hbg@	

WAIS-IV	Block Design	16-90
WAIS-IV	Visual Puzzles	16-90
WASI-2	Block Design	6-90
WECH	Block Design	2:6-90
WISC-IV	Block Design (BD) and BD No Time Bonus	6-16
WISC-IV Integrated	Block Design Multiple Choice (BDMC) and BDMC No Time Bonus	6-16
WISC-IV Integrated	Block Design Process Approach	6-16
WISC-V	Block Design	6-16
WISC-V	Block Design No Time Bonus	6-16
WISC-V	Block Design Partial Score	6-16
WISC-V	Visual Puzzles	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Spatial Relations	6-90+
WJ III NU DS	Block Rotation	6-90+
WJ IV COG	Visualization	2-80+
WMS-4	Visual Reproduction II Copy	16-90
WNV	Picture Arrangement	8-21
WPPSI-III	Block Design	2:6-7:3
WPPSI-IV	Block Design	2:6-7:7

**Task Example**: An examinee is required to assemble blocks to match a picture or standing model.



Approximately 60 subtests measure Visualization (Gv – Vz)

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	Age Range	
CAS-2	Figure Memory	5-18
DAS-II	Recall of Designs	7-17
DAS-II	Recognition of Pictures	2:6-13:5
KABC-II	Face Recognition	3-5
KBNA	Complex Figure 2	20-89
KBNA	Picture Recognition	20-89
KBNA	Spatial Location	20-89
NAB	Dots	18-97
NAB	Driving Scenes	18-97
NAB	Shape Learning	18-97
NEPSY-II	Memory for Designs	3-16
NEPSY-II	Memory for Faces	5-16
RIAS	Nonverbal Memory	3-94
SIT	Section A	6-17
SIT	Section B	6-17
TOMAL-2	Abstract Visual Memory	5-59
TOMAL-2	Facial Memory	5-59
TOMAL-2	Memory for Location	5-59
TVPS3	Visual Memory	4-18
WJ III NU COG	Picture Recognition	6-90+
WJ IV COG	Picture Recognition	2-80+
WMS-4	Designs I	16-69
WMS-4	Designs II Delayed Recall	16-69
WMS-4	Designs II Recognition	16-69
WMS-4	Spatial Addition	16-69
WMS-4	Visual Reproduction I	16-90
WMS-4	Visual Reproduction II Delayed Recall	16-90
WMS-4	Visual Reproduction II Recognition	16-90
WNV	Recognition	4-7
WRAML2	Design Memory	5-85+
WRAML2	Design Memory Recognition	5-85+
WRAML2	Picture Memory	5-85+
WRAML2	Picture Memory Recognition	5-85+

Memory				
Game _				
Click on cards to				
turn them over. Try to find matching		1	14	
pairs to remove	_	- 9	A STATE	
cards and reveal the picture behind				
them.			1	-
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**Task Example**: An examinee is required to reproduce or recognize a previously presented visual stimulus that has been removed.

Approximately 30 subtests measure Visual & Memory (Gv - MV) &

	Flexibility of Closure (CF)	Age Range
DTVP-3	Figure-Ground	4-12
DTVP-A	Figure Ground	11-74
Leiter-3	Figure Ground	3-75
NEPSY-II	Geometric Puzzles	3-16
NEPSY-II	Picture Puzzles	7-16
NEPSY-II	Route Finding	5-12
RIAS	What's Missing	3-94
TVPS3	Figure Ground	4-18
WAIS-IV	Picture Completion	16-90
WISC-IV	Picture Completion	6-16
WECH	Picture Completion	6-90
WPPSI-III	Picture Completion	4-7:3

	Closure Speed (CS)	Age Range
KABC-II	Gestalt Closure	5-18
WECH	Object Assembly	2:6-7:7
WJ III NU DS	Visual Closure	6-90+
WNV	Object Assembly	4-7
WPPSI-III	Object Assembly	2:6-7:3
WPPSI-IV	Object Assembly	2:6-7:7

	Age Range	
KABC-II	Rover	5-18
NAB	Mazes	18-97
WISC-IV Integrated	Elithorn Mazes (EM) and EM No Time Bonus	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Planning	6-90+

**Task Example of CF** 



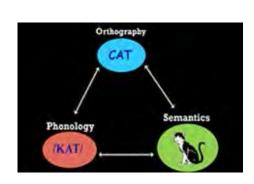


Other Gv narrow abilities are not measured routinely by popular tests of intelligence and cognitive abilities

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## **Relations between Gv Abilities and Reading Achievement**

• Gv – Orthographic processing

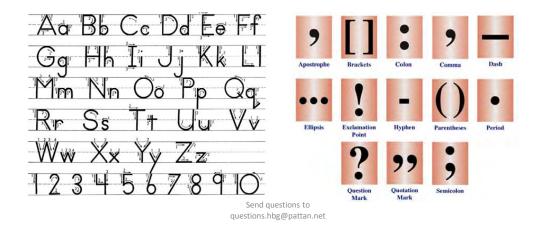




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## Orthography (Wagner & Barker, 1994)

 The system of marks that make up the English language, including upper and lower case letters, numbers, and punctuation marks



### **Assessing Visual Processing Related to Reading**

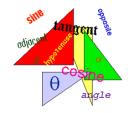
 Visual processing must be assessed using orthography (letters, words and numbers) rather than abstract designs or familiar pictures



### **Relationship Between Gv and Achievement**

#### Math

Visualization (VZ), including mental rotation, is important primarily for higher level (e.g., geometry, calculus) and math problem solving.



#### Writing

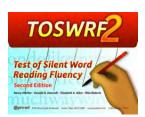
Orthographic Processing (often measured by tests of perceptual speed that use orthographic units as stimuli) – spelling.



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### Assessing Orthographic Processing Related to Reading

- Examples of assessments of orthographic processing directly related to reading:
  - Test of Silent Word Reading Fluency-2 (TOSWRF-2)
  - Test of Irregular Word Reading Efficiency (TIWRE)
  - Test of Orthographic Competence (TOC)
  - Process Assessment of the Learner (PAL-II)
  - Early Reading Assessment (ERA)
  - Feifer Assessment of Reading (FAR)















### Processing Speed (Gs) \*



- Processing speed (Gs) refers to an individual's ability to perform simple clerical tasks quickly, especially when under pressure to maintain attention and concentration.
- It can also be thought of as how quickly one can think or how quickly one can take simple tests that require simple decisions.
- Involves sustained/focused and selective attention.

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### **Processing Speed - Gs &**

Broad Ability	Definition
Processing Speed (Gs)	The speed at which visual stimuli can be compared for similarity or difference.

Perceptual Speed (P)	The ability at which visual stimuli can be compared for similarity or difference.
Rate-of-Test-Taking (R9)	The speed and fluency with which simple cognitive tests are completed.
Number Facility (N)	The speed at which basic arithmetic operations are performed accurately.
Reading Speed (RS)	The rate of reading text with full comprehension.
Writing Speed (WS)	The rate at which words or sentences can be generated or copied.

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Carroll (1993); McGrew (1997); Flanagan, McGrew, & Ortiz (2000); អាតាតម្លែក, Ortiz តាជ ការប្រកិច្ចបំពី (2013); McGrew and Flanagan (1998); Schneider and McGrew (2012)

	Perceptual Speed (P)	Age Range
CAS-2	Number Detection	4-80+
CAS-2	Planned Connections	5-18
CAS-2	Planned Number Matching	5-18
CAS-2	Receptive Attention	5-18
CTMT	Trial 2	11-74
CTMT	Trial 3	11-74
CTMT	Trial 4	11-74
CTMT	Trial 5	11-74
DAS-II	Speed of Information Processing	6-17
D-KEFS	Trail Making Test: Number-Letter Switching	8-89
D-KEFS	Trail Making Test: Visual Scanning	8-89
ERA	Silent Orthographic Efficiency	4-7
KBNA	Symbol Cancellation	20-89
Leiter-3	Attention Sustained	6-25
Leiter-3	Nonverbal Stroop	3-75
NAB	Numbers and Letter	18-97
тос	Grapheme Matching	6-17
тос	Letter Choice	6-17
WAIS-IV	Cancellation	8-89
WAIS-IV	Symbol Search	16-90
WECH	Cancellation	4-69
WECH	Symbol Search	4-90
WISC-IV	Cancellation	6-16
WISC-IV	Symbol Search	6-16
WISC-V	Cancellation	6-16
WISC-V	Cancellation Random	6-16
WISC-V	Cancellation Structured	6-16
WISC-V	Symbol Search	6-16
WJ III NU COG	Decision Speed	4-90+
WJ III NU COG	Pair Cancellation	4-90+
WJ III NU COG	Visual Matching	2-90+
WJ III NU DS	Cross Out	4-90+
WJ IV COG	Letter-Pattern Matching	5-80+
WJ IV COG	Number-Pattern Matching	4-80+
WJ IV COG	Pair Cancellation	3-80+
WPPSI-III	Symbol Search	Sen <b>d dið</b> estig
WPPSI-IV	Bug Search	questions.hbg@p
WPPSI-IV	Cancellation	questions.nbg@p

**Task Example**: An examinee must rapidly view rows of stimuli and cross out those stimuli that are similar in each row within a specified time limit.

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(5)	9	7	6	5	0	9	3	2	2	7	1	8	7	5	6	8	4	9	8	3	3	2	8	8	4	8	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	8
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(5)	4	3	4	0	5	2	3	0	8	3	9	6	3	7	2	5	8	4	4	1	4	5	1	8	1	9	3	0	6	2	9	8	9	1
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9	9	2	2	0	5	4	6	1	6	3	1	1	2	7	2	6	4	9	1	8	5	2	1	3	6	5	9	3	8	9	4	6	8	1
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Approximately 40 subtests measure & Perceptual Speed (Gs – P) &

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	Number Facility (N)	Age Range
KTEA-3	Math Fluency	20-89
WIAT-III	Math Fluency - Addition	6-19
WIAT-III	Math Fluency - Multiplication	8-19
WIAT-III	Math Fluency - Subtraction	6-19
WISC-V	Naming Speed Quantity	6-16
WJ III NU ACH	Math Fluency	7-90
WJ III NU ACH Form C	Math Fluency	7-90
WJ IV ACH	Math Facts Fluency	4-90+

	Rate of Test-taking (R9)	Age Range
CAS-2	Planned Codes	5-18
СТМТ	Trial 1	11-74
D-KEFS	Trail Making Test: Letter Sequencing	8-89
D-KEFS	Trail Making Test: Number Sequencing	8-89
DTVP-A	Visual Motor Search	11-74
DTVP-A	Visual-Motor Speed	11-74
GORT-5	Rate	6-23
KTEA-3	Decoding Fluency	8-25:11
KTEA-3	Word Recognition Fluency	6-25:11
NEPSY-II	Design Fluency	5-12
TVCF	Trails C	8-89
WAIS-IV	Coding	16-90
WECH	Coding	6-90
WISC-IV Integrated	Coding Copying	6-16
WISC-IV	Coding	6-16
WISC-V	Integrated Coding Copying	6-16
WISC-V	Coding	6-16
WNV	Coding	4-21
WPPSI-III	Coding	4-7:3
WPPSI-IV	Animal Coding	4-7:7



8 subtests measure Number Facility (Gs – N) 20 measure Rate of Test Taking (Gs – R9)

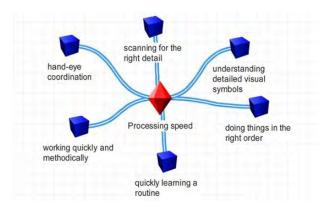
**Task Example of R9**: An examinee is required to pair numbers with symbols according to a presented key as rapidly as possible.

Reading Speed (RS) and Writing Speed (WS) are narrow Gs abilities that are listed under the academic (IDEA) areas of Reading Fluency and Written Expression in the Cross Battery Assessment approach, respectively.

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### **Relations between Gs and Achievement**

 Gs – Perceptual speed (P) abilities are important during all school years, particularly the elementary school years.



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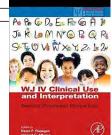
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#### Summary of cognitive-achievement relations across academic skills using the WJ IV

	g	Gc	Gwm	Gs	Gf	RQ	Gv	Ga	LA
Direct Effects of Broad CHC	Abilities on !	Narrow Achi	evement Fac	ctors					
Basic Reading Skills		Strong		Moderate				Strong	
Reading Rate		Moderate		Strong					Weak
Reading Comprehension		Weak		Weak	Strong			Strong	
Basic Writing Skills		Strong	Strong	Moderate					
Written Expression				Strong			Strong		Weak
Math Calculation Skills		Weak		Strong		Strong			
Math Applications		Strong		Moderate	Weak	Moderate	Moderate		
Direct Effects of Broad CHC	Abilities on S	Specific Achi	evement Tes	sts					
Word Attack								Strong	
Word Reading Fluency				Strong					
Passage Comprehension		Strong							
Reading Vocabulary		Strong							
Sentence Writing Fluency				Strong					
Writing Samples	Strong								
Math Facts Fluency				Strong					
Applied Problems						Strong			0.0

**Note:** Only achievement tests with direct influences from broad CHC abilities are included in the table. It is important to note that the indirect influence from g was strong across all achievement factors.

Source: Niileksela, Reynolds, Keith, & McGrew (2016). A special validity study of the WJ IV: Acting on evidence for specific abilities. In D. P. Flanagan & V. C. Alfonso (Eds.), WJ IV clinical use and interpretation: Scientist-practitioner perspectives. Academic Piressi questions to questions.hbg@pattan.net



### What Combinations of Abilities Are Important for Different Achievements \*

- Fluid Reasoning *Gf*
- Crystallized Knowledge Gc
- Short-term Memory Gsm
- Long-term Storage and Retrieval Glr
- Visual Processing Gv
- Auditory Processing Ga
- Processing Speed Gs

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### Putting the Abilities Together \*

- Jeopardy Game Show Contestant
- Gc (Gkn)
- Glr/Gs



### Putting the Abilities Together

- Quick thinkers; multi-taskers; Fast-paced
  - Emergency Room workers
- Gc (Gkn) + Glr + Gsm-MW + Gs + Gf



### Putting the Abilities Together

- Students who Learn Quickly and Excel Academically
  - Gc (good fund of knowledge; good vocabulary; communicate well) \*
  - Glr (learning is efficient; info is retrieved fluently) \*
  - Gsm + Gf (able to hold retrieved info; transform it; interact it with new info and draw conclusions based on inductive and \* deductive reasoning) \*



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# Important Abilities for & Learning and Academic Success in Reading &

- 1. Fluid Reasoning (Gf)
- 2. Crystallized Knowledge (Gc)
  - Weaknesses in these abilities constrain learning and achievement
- (Executive Functions weaknesses lead to inconsistencies in Learning and Achievement)
- 3. Short-Term Memory (Gsm) Working Memory
- 4. Long-Term Storage and Retrieval (Glr)
  - Working Memory, Retrieval Fluency, and Learning Efficiency
  - Weaknesses in these abilities <u>obstruct</u> learning and achievement, but can be \* improved upon, bypassed, or compensated for at least to some degree \*
- Important Processes (related to reading)
  - Ga Phonological Processing (encompasses many skills)
  - Visual Processing/Processing Speed Orthographic Processing
    - · Train processing deficits to point where they become skill

Important for overall learning and academic success

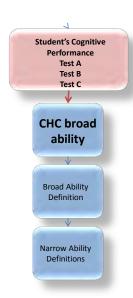


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Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)

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A Student's Cognitive Processing and Ability Strengths and Weaknesses Informs Diagnosis and Intervention

A Comprehensive Evaluation for Suspected SLD Ought to Include Measurement of Cognitive Abilities and Processes within at least Seven CHC Domains

•SLD has neurobiological influences and is defined by specific cognitive processing weaknesses

• Evidence of cognitive-achievement relationships

•General and Specific Manifestations: Cognitive processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances (e.g., reading, math, writing)

•Cognitive processing weaknesses obstruct learning; when identified, steps can be taken to minimize the effects of these weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum

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#### Student's CHC Performance Test A General Test B Manifestations Test C Cognitive Learner $\underline{\textbf{S}} \text{trategies}$ Abilities and Processes Teacher Reading <u>T</u>echniques Parent Specific Math **Broad Ability** Definition Writing E-learning tools, Apps, Web-based Narrow Ability Definitions Modifications Send questions to Other Flanagan and Wascolo (2016)

### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS) &

CHC Broad Cognitive Abilities/ Neuropsychological Functions	Brief Definition	General Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness	Specific Manifestations o Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness
Fluid Reasoning (Gf)	Novel reasoning and problem solving ability to solve problems that are unfamiliar.  Processes are minimally dependent on prior learning.  Involves manipulating rules, abstracting generalizing, and identifying logical relationships.  Fluid reasoning is evident in inferential reasoning, concept formation, classification of unfamiliar stimuli, categorization, and extrapolation of reasonable estimates in ambiguous situations (Schneider & McGrew, 2012).  Narrow Gf abilities include Induction, General Sequential Reasoning (Deduction), and Quantitative	Difficulties with: Higher-level thinking and reasoning Transferring or generalizing learning Deriving solutions for novel problems Extending knowledge through critical thinking Perceiving and applying underlying rules or process(es) to solve problems	Reading Difficulties: Drawing inferences from text Abstracting main idea(s) Math Difficulties: Reasoning with quantitative information (word problems) Internalizing procedures and processes used to solve problems Apprehending relationships between numbers Writing Difficulties: Essay writing and generalizing concepts Developing a theme Comparing and contrasting idea

See Chapter 4 in Essentials of Cross-Battery Assessment (Flanagan, Ortiz, & Alfonso, 2013)
See Chapter 1 in Essentials of Planning, Selecting, and Tailoring After Sentials of Planagan, 2014)

#### = Rapid Reference 1.6 General and Specific Manifestations of Crystallized Intelligence (Gc) Weaknesses General Manifestations of **CHC Broad** Cognitive Abilities Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness Specific Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness Neuropsychological Functions **Brief Definition** Crystallized Breadth and depth of knowledge and skills that Difficulties with: Reading Difficulties: Intelligence (Gc) are valued by one's culture. Vocabulary acquisition Decoding (e.g., word student is attempting to decode is not in his/her vocabulary) Developed through formal education as well as Knowledge acquisition general learning experiences. Comprehending (e.g., poor background knowledge about information contained in Comprehending language Stores of information and declarative and or understanding what procedural knowledge. others are saying Reflects the degree to which a person has learned practically useful knowledge and Math Difficulties: Fact-based/informational questions Understanding math concepts and the mastered valued skills (Schneider & McGrew, Vocabulary of math' Using prior knowledge to support learning

Finding th

use/say

Writing Difficulties:

Inappropriate word usage Language Difficulties: Understanding dass lessons

Bland writing with limited descriptors Verbose writing with limited descriptors

Expressive language—"poverty of thought"

Grammar (syntax)

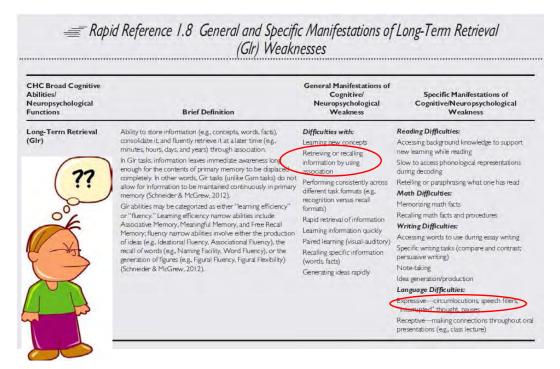
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Narrow Gc abilities include General Verbal Information, Language Development, Lexical Knowledge, Listening Ability, Information about Culture, Communication Ability, and

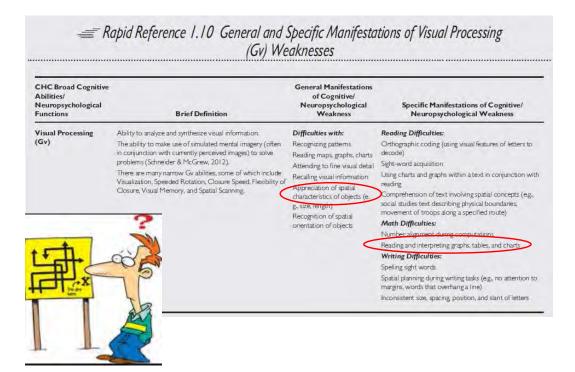
Grammatical Sensitivity.

#### = Rapid Reference 1.11 General and Specific Manifestations of Short-Term Memory (Gsm) Weaknesses General **CHC Broad** Manifestations of Cognitive Abilities/ Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness Specific Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological **Brief Definition Functions** Neuropsychological Weakness Difficulties with: Reading Difficulties: Short-Term Ability to hold Memory (Gsm) information in Following multistep oral Reading comprehension (i.e., understanding what is immediate awareness and written instructions and use or transform Remembering Decoding multisyllabic words it within a few information long Orally retelling or paraphrasing what one has read seconds. enough to apply it Math Difficulties: Remembering the Rote memorization of facts Remembering mathematical procedures Rote memorization Multistep problems and regrouping Maintaining one's place Extracting information to be used in word problems in a math problem or train of thought while Writing Difficulties: Spelling multisyllabic words Redundancy in writing (word and conceptual levels) Identifying main idea of a story Note-taking

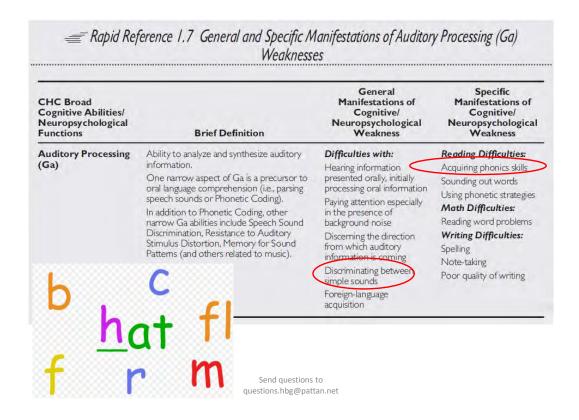
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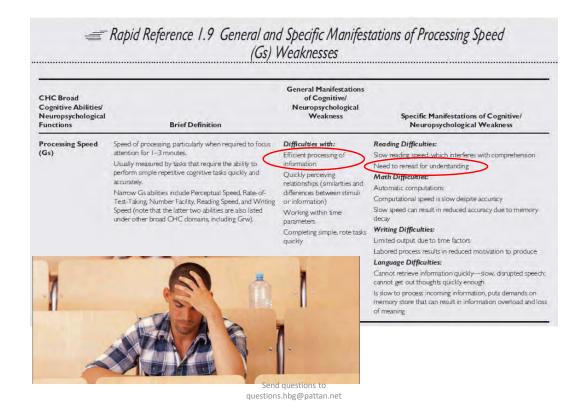


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# ■ Rapid Reference 1.12 Manifestations of Attention Weaknesses and Examples of Recommendations and Interventions

CHC Broad Cognitive Abilities/ Neuropsychological Functions	Brief Definition	General Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness	Specific Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness
Attention	Attention is a complex and multifaceted construct used	Easily distracted	Reading Difficulties:
	when an individual must focus on certain stimuli for	Lacks attention to detail;	Loses his or her place easily
	information processing. In order to regulate thinking and to complete tasks of daily living such as schoolwork, it is	makes careless mistakes	Easily distracted while reading
	necessary to be able to attend to both auditory and visual stimuli in the environment. Attention can be	Difficulty discerning demands of a task (e.g., where to begin	Does not pick up important details in text
	viewed as the foundation of all other higher-order	or how to get started)	Math Difficulties:
	processing. Attention can be divided into five subareas: selective/focused attention, shifting attention, divided	May only be able to attend to task in short intervals	Does not consistently attend to math signs
	attention, sustained attention, and attentional capacity	Difficulty changing activities	
	(Miller).  It is important to identify the exact nature of the	Difficulty applying a different strategy when task demands	Frequent mistakes on word problems
	attentional problem(s) prior to selecting an intervention,	change	Writing Difficulties:
	teaching strategies, modifying the curriculum, or making accommodations,	Difficulty attending to more than one thing or task at a time	Has difficulty completing lon assignments; difficulty following timelines
		Cannot perform well when faced with multiple stimuli or an abundance of detail	

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# Rapid Reference 1.13 Manifestations of Executive Functioning Weaknesses and Examples of Recommendations and Interventions

CHC Broad Cognitive Abilities/Neuropsychological Functions	Brief Definition	General Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness	Specific Manifestations of Cognitive/ Neuropsychological Weakness
Executive Functioning	Executive functioning is often understood as two broadly conceptualized areas that are related to the brain's front ollobes: cognitive control and behavioral emotional control. The cognitive aspects of executive functioning include concept generation (Gof Gir); problem solving (GG); attentional shifting (attention; Gg); planning; organizing; working memory (Gsm); and retrieval fluency (Gir). The behaviorallemotional aspects of executive functioning relate to the inhibitory controls of behavior (eg., impulsivity, regulation of emotional tone, etc.) (see Miller, 2010).	Difficulty with: Learning new activities, generating concepts, and solving problems Identifying goals and setting goals Planning (e.g., begins project without necessary materials; does not allocate sufficient time to complete task) Sequencing (e.g., may skip steps in multistep problems) Prioritizing (e.g., not sure what's important when taking notes) Organization (e.g., loses important papers fails to turn in completed work; creates unrealistic schedule) Initiation (e.g., has difficulty getting started on tasks, assignments, etc.) Pace (e.g., often runs out of time on seatwork and exams has difficulty completing homework due to unrealistic timeline) Shifting between activities flexibly; coping with unforeseen events Self-monitoring (e.g., doesn't check to insure that each step was completed; doesn't check work before submitting it) Emotional control (e.g., may exhibit inappropriate or over-reactive response to situations)	Reading Difficulties: Sequencing telling a story chronologically Prioritizing, extracting main idea and other important information Problem solving drawing inference from text.  Math Difficulties: Sequencing, remembering order or operations Prioritizing; figuring out what is importing when solving word problems Shifting; attending to math signs or a page Writing Difficulties: Generating ideas to write about Sequencing a story Prioritizing main events in a story

# You May Consider Using a Parent/Teacher Form to Assist in Documenting General and Specific Manifestations of \* Cognitive Weaknesses \*

#### General and Specific Manifestations of Cognitive Ability Weaknesses in SLD Identification

A specific learning disability (SLD) involves the presence of a cognitive processing weakness in one or more areas that is empirically or logically related to a documented academic weakness. While the primary form of data used to document cognitive ability weaknesses is standardized test scores, establishing ecological validity for a cognitive deficit involves the organization and analysis of additional data. For example, additional data that may be evaluated to support the presence of a cognitive ability weakness include information from behavior rating scales, parent and teacher interviews, classroom observations, prior evaluations, work sample analysis, and/or interviews with current or past teachers, counselors, and other paraprofessionals who have worked with the student. Below is a list of general and specific ways in which cognitive ability deficits manifest in real-world performance, specifically academic performance.

<u>Directions</u>: Complete the checklist below for any area identified as a cognitive ability weakness via standardized testing. Use the following codes next to a check-marked item to denote documentation source (P) = Parent; (T) = Teacher; (O) = Observations; (R) = Records review. More than one code may be used for a check-marked item.

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### Fluid Reasoning (Gf) (Check All that Apply): Refers to a type of thinking that an individual may use when faced with a relatively new task that cannot be performed automatically. This type of thinking includes such things as forming and recognizing concepts (e.g., how are a dog, cat, and cow alike?), identifying and perceiving relationships (e.g., sun is to morning as moon is to night), drawing inferences (e.g., after reading a story, answering the question. "What will John do next?"), and recognizing or transforming information (e.g., selecting one of several pictures to complete a puzzle). Overall, this ability can be thought of as a problem-solving type of intelligence. Problem-solving is important for reading comprehension (e.g., making inferences from text), math (e.g., figuring out how to set up a math problem by using information provided in a word problem), and writing, (e.g., writing a persuasive essay). General Manifestations ☐ Higher-level thinking and reasoning Deriving solutions for novel problems ☐ Transferring or generalizing learning Extending knowledge through critical thinking Derceiving and applying underlying rules and processes to solve problems Specific Manifestations Reading Difficulties ☐ Drawing inferences from text Abstracting main ideas ☐ Making predictions Math Difficulties Reasoning with quantitative information (word problems) □ Internalizing procedures and processes used to solve problems ☐ Apprehending relationships between numbers Writing Difficulties D Essay writing and generalizing concepts ☐ Developing a theme ☐ Comparing and contrasting ideas NOTES: Send questions to

in infancy. It is like your own perso knowledge of one's culture (e.g., who based knowledge that has been de- understanding words and their meanin of the United States). Having well dev	ase (or general fund of information) that has built up over time, beginning nal library or everything you know. Crystallized intelligence involves is the President of the United States?) as well as verbal- or language-veloped during general life experiences, and formal schooling (e.g., g; understanding street signs, knowledge of current events and the history reloped or good Crystallized Intelligence means that one understands and better vocabulary, has good listening skills, and is able to use language
General Manifestations	
☐ Vocabulary acquisition	☐ Using prior knowledge to support learning
☐ Knowledge acquisition	☐ Fact-based/informational questions
Finding the right words to use say	a comprehending language or understanding what others are
	Saying
Specific Manifestations	
Reading Difficulties	
Decoding (e.g., word student is attempt	ing to decode is not in his her vocabulary)
Cl Comprehending (e.g., poor background	knowledge about information contained in text)
Math Difficulties	
Understanding math concepts and the "	vocabulary of math"
Writing Difficulties	
☐ Grammar (syntax)	
☐ Bland writing with limited descriptors	
☐ Verbose writing with limited descriptor.	s
☐ Inappropriate word usage	
Language Difficulties	
☐ Understanding class lessons	
☐ Expressive language – "poverty of thou	Sena questions to
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and then retrieve it quickly and easily at a later time by and classmates). This ability does not represent what represents the process of storing information, which is t When someone says, "It's on the tip of my tongue," th	uriety of information (e.g., ideas, names, concepts) in one's mind using association (e.g., remembering the names of one's teachers is stored in long-term memory or what you know. Rather, it related to learning efficiency, as well as retrieving information by are having a hard time retrieving something that they know that they know and, therefore, cannot come up with a word or
General Manifestations	
☐ Learning new concepts	☐ Rapid retrieval of information.
☐ Paired learning (visual-auditory)	□ Learning information quickly
☐ Recalling specific information (words, facts)	☐ Generating ideas rapidly
☐ Performing consistently across different	Retrieving or recalling information
task formats (e.g. recognition versus recall formats)	by using association
Specific Manifestations	
Reading Difficulties	
☐ Accessing background knowledge to support new learn	ing while reading
☐ Slow to access phonological representations during dec	oding
Retelling or paraphrasing what one has read	
Math Difficulties	
☐ Memorizing math facts	
Recalling math facts and procedures	
Writing Difficulties	
Accessing words to use during essay writing	
☐ Specific writing tasks (compare and contrast, persuasive	e writing)
□ Note-taking	
☐ Idea generation production	
Language Difficulties	
☐ Expressive circumlocutions speech fillers, "interrupted	"thought, pauses
Receptive - making connections throughout oral presen	stations (e.g. class lecture)
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See form for additional areas (i.e., Gsm, Gv, Ga, and Gs

### Manifestations Form \*

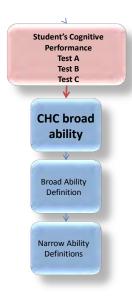
Determination of the severity of educational impact (Note: Decision is typically made by a multidisciplinary team).

- $\square$  Minimal. Difficulty in one or two academic areas but the student is able to function well when provided with support services (e.g., accommodations).
- □ Moderate. Marked difficulties in one or more academic areas and the student is not likely to become proficient without some *intervals of specialized instruction (e.g., Tier II small group)* throughout schooling. Support services may be needed across settings in order for activities involving the academic skills to be performed effectively.
- □ Substantial. Deficits in one or more academic areas and the student is not likely to acquire and develop those skills without individualized and specialized instruction (e.g., Tier III, special education) throughout schooling. Even with support services, these students may not be able to perform academic skills effectively.
  - •Assists in understanding how cognitive weaknesses interfere with ( learning and performance in the classroom (
  - Assists in obtaining ecological validity for test finds
  - Assists in identifying targets for intervention
  - Assists in determining severity of educational impact

You are figuring out the "WHY"

When you know why wester GW" is made easier

Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)



A Student's Cognitive Processing and Ability Strengths and Weaknesses Informs Diagnosis and Intervention

A Comprehensive Evaluation for Suspected SLD Ought to Include Measurement of Cognitive Abilities and Processes within at least Seven CHC Domains

- •SLD has neurobiological influences and is defined by specific cognitive processing weaknesses
- Evidence of cognitive-achievement relationships
- Cognitive processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances (e.g., reading, math, writing)
- •Cognitive processing weaknesses obstruct learning; when identified, steps can be taken to minimize the effects of these weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum

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## Rapid Reference 1.14 Recommendations That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Fluid Reasoning (Gf) Deficit

Classroom Instruction	Instructional Materials	Environmental	Strategies
Use demonstrations to externalize the reasoning process (think-alouds)	Expanded answer keys containing the "reason" for correct/incorrect choices.	Problem-solving charts (hanging or taped to desk)	Use metacognitive strategies (mnemonics that are memorable and that accurately represent the learning task)
Gradually offer guided practice (e.g., guided questions list) to promote internalization of procedures or process(es)	Guided lists for implementing procedures, formulas	Procedural charts/lists (hanging or taped to desk)	Use tools that help them categorizes objects and concepts to assist in drawing conclusions (e.g., graphic organizers, concept maps)
Offer targeted, explicit feedback	Models/examples	Preferred seating arrangements that provide easy access to a peer model with strong reasoning skills (e.g. for cooperative learning activities)	Listen to and separate the steps in completing a problem from the actual content used in a problem
Offer opportunities for learning formats that allow for reasoning to be modeled for the student (e.g., cooperative learning reciprocal teaching)	Text features (boldface, italics)		
Compare new concepts to previously learned concepts (same vs. different)	Graphic organizers that allow for a visual depiction of relationships between and accong concepts		
Use analogies, similes, metaphors, paired with concrete explanations, to support understanding when presenting tasks (e.g., "We are going to learn our math facts with lightning speed, that means we are going to learn them fast.")	Manipulatives to demonstrate relationships (e.g., part to whole relationships)		

Mascolo, Flanagan, and Alfonso (2014). A systematic method of analyzing assessment results for tailoring interventions (SMAARTI), in Mascolo, Alfonso, & Flanagan, Essentials of Planning, Selecting, and Tailoring Interventions for Linque Learners (pp. 3-55). Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

### Recommendations for Fluid Reasoning Gf Deficit

- Develop student's skill in categorizing objects and drawing conclusions
- Use demonstrations to externalize the reasoning process \*
  - Gradually offer guided practice (e.g., guided questions list) to promote internalization of procedures or processes

### Recommendations for Fluid Reasoning Gf Deficit

- Targeted feedback
- Cooperative learning
- Think Alouds
- Reciprocal teaching
- Graphic organizers to arrange information in visual format

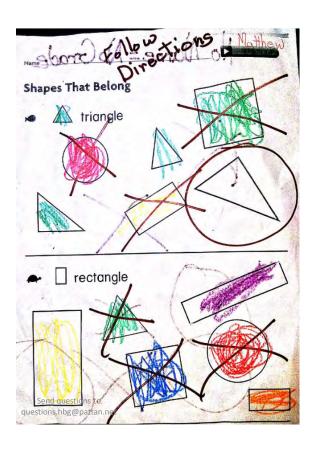
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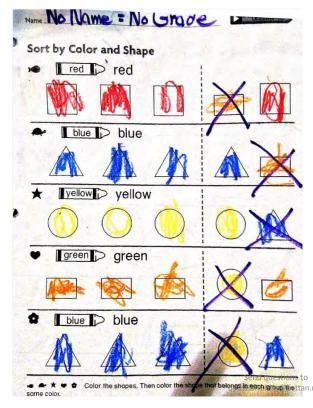
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### Targeted Feedback &

- Feedback to students is important and needs to be concrete and specific
  - Highlight parts of the task that they executed \* appropriately \*
  - Identify where things went "wrong" or off-course
  - Describe how to correct the mistakes
  - Provide opportunity for self-correction and/or \* practice \*









Mom: "Matt, do you know what

this says?"

Matt: "No, I can't read." Mom: "What do you think it

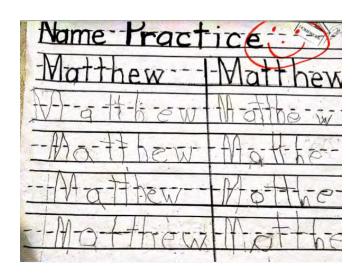
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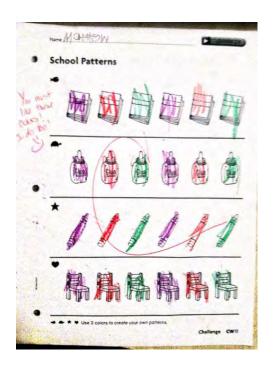
Matt: "I'm bad."

Implications: Matt does not want to go to school. He asked to go back to his previous teacher and class. Said he "hates school".

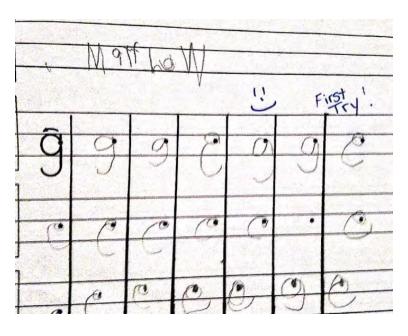
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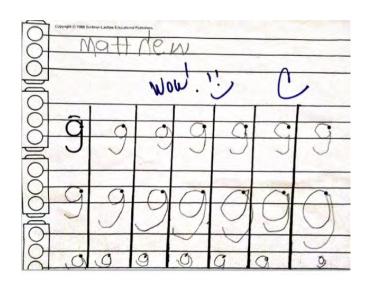
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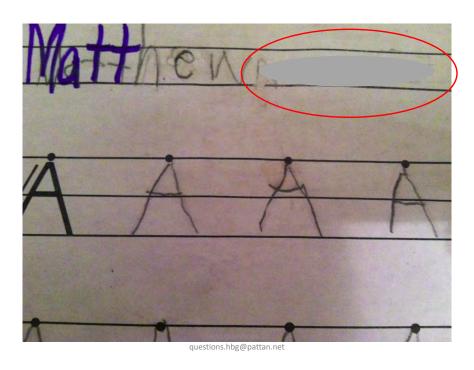




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### **MATT'S TEACHER RETURNS**

### Matt is Asked to ERASE his Last Name from his Papers! &



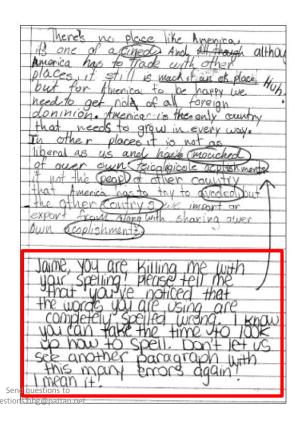
10<sup>th</sup> grade student with Dyslexia



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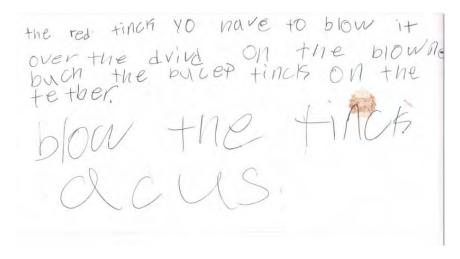
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- Dylan
- •Age 10, Grade 5
- •General Education with Supplemental Reading and Math
- •Reads at end of 1st grade/early 2nd grade level
  - -Has been receiving "Wilson" for 3 years
- •Math ability at early 2nd grade level
- •Writing also significantly below grade level
- •Receives "speech" weekly, presumably for articulation difficulties

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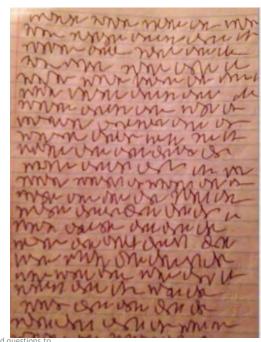
**Task; Grade 5**: Do something creative with random objects (e.g., balloon, DVD, whistle), such as tell a story or devise a game



The red thing you have to blow it over the DVD on the balloon. Push the purple thing off the table. Blow the thing across.

•Assignment: Write a summary of the findings from our science experiment. Write in cursive and use proper grammar and punctuation.

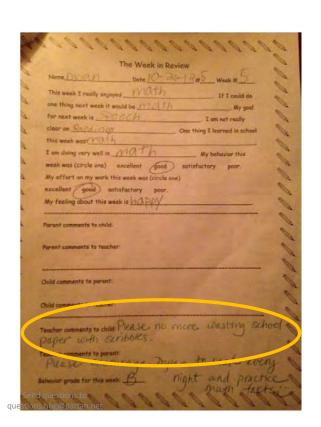




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### A Weekly Report from Dylan's Teacher





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# Targeted Feedback is Critical & For Student Success &

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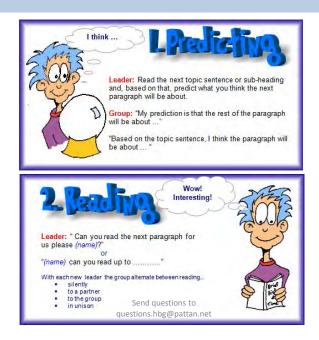
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### Cooperative Learning \*

- Can be in pairs or small group
- Students with Gf deficits can be matched with students who have good reasoning skills and who are comfortable with "thinking aloud" and contributing to the group
- Important to assign tasks that capitalize upon student's strengths and assist in accomplishing your goal (e.g., student who needs help with reasoning may read well) \*
- Feedback/Processing of experience is important

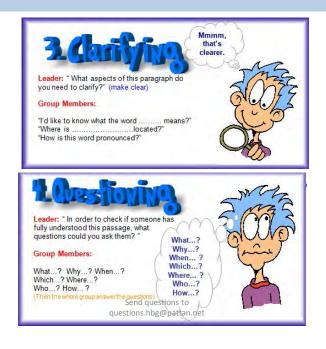
### **Reciprocal Teaching Cards**

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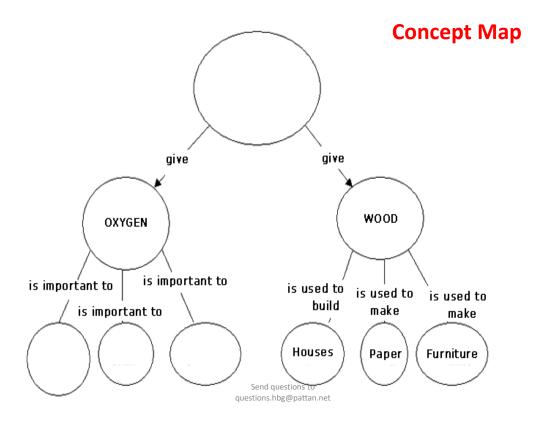
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### **Graphic Organizers** &

- Make use of graphic organizers (Venn diagrams, concept maps) to help the student
  - Understand the information conceptually through a visual modality
  - More readily link new information to known information
  - Make links from specific to general



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### Programs/Techniques for *Gf* Deficits

- When selecting a program or a technique to intervene with a student with a Gf deficit, it may be helpful to consider one that
  - includes explicit strategy instruction
  - focuses on the application of higher level thinking skills to the reading process (e.g., making predictions, drawing inferences, abstracting, inferring character feelings)
  - is multi-staged and includes modeling up through independent application of the strategy/technique \*



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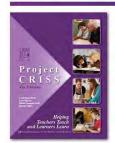
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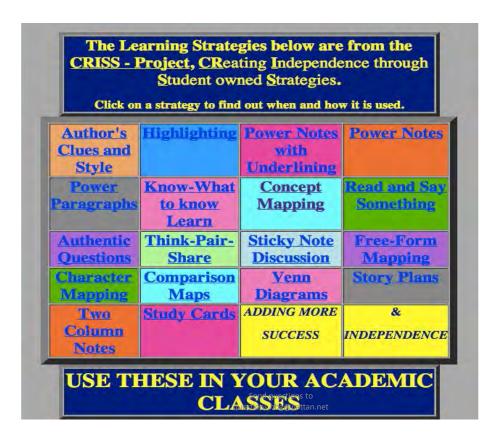
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# This program focuses on teaching students strategies for reading comprehension

#### HISTORY OF PROJECT CRISS

Project CRISS started as an action research project conducted by a group of secondary content teachers interested in identifying classroom practices that truly make an impact on student learning. These teachers, led by reading specialist and IRA past president Dr. Carol Santa, scoured the available research on learning (in the fields of education, cognitive psychology, and neuroscience) and tested theories in their classrooms. Those practices which worked became the foundation of Project CRISS. Their early successes garnered recognition and grant awards first in Montana, and then nationally through the U.S. Department of Education National Diffusion Network. As their work spread across the United States, education practitioners contributed their expertise to develop the pedagogical frameworks for CRISS, the toolbox of powerful learning strategies, and the workshops which evolved into the Introduction to Project CRISS workshop (Level 1). The original development leaders, Dr. Santa and science and math teacher Lynn Havens, established Project CRISS as a national professional development initiative and private business in 2001. Now in its 4th edition (2012), Project CRISS offers high quality, practical professional development and an array of support materials and curricula for teaching and learning across the United States, Canada, and countries throughout the world.



### Read-and-Say-Something

and-Say-Something works effectively for difficult materials; rather than letting students struggle meaning alone, have them read and discuss the ideas with a partner or in a small group.

#### Introduction, Modeling, and Reflection

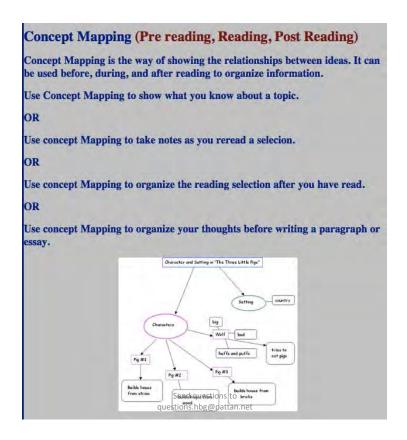
- Have students work in partners or small groups. The leader reads the first paragraph or section of the assignment out loud or all group members read the first section silently.
- After reading the first section, the student to the right of the leader says something that relates to the information and/or the purpose for reading. S/he may react to ideas, descriptions, images, and/or comment on confusing parts. Others in the group may comment after the first person says something.
- When discussion about the section ends, or when time is up, the person to the right of the leader (the first say-something person) reads the next section and the process continues.
- Conversations about the meaning of the article occur naturally. Students conclude the session by writing down questions they want answered by the whole class or other groups.

#### Reflection

How did Read-and-Say-Something help you understand the ideas in this selection? Were you actively engaged? How did it help you to be metacognitive?

#### Support and Extensions

- Use this strategy as a way for students to review class notes. Have them read through their notes with a partner and then say something to one another.
- Incorporate Read-and-Say-Something as part of problem solving in mathematics.
- Focus discussions on specific topics. For example, a language arts teacher might have students talk about descriptive writing; a history teacher might have students regarding human rights. questions.hbg@pattan.net

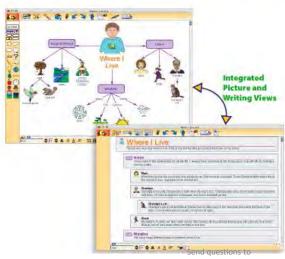


### Reading and Writing Examples (Gf) &

- Inspiration/Kidspiration software (www.inspiration.com)
  - "Created for K-5 learners, Kidspiration® develops thinking, literacy and numeracy skills using proven visual learning principles. In reading and writing, Kidspiration strengthens word recognition, vocabulary, comprehension and written expression. With new visual math tools, students build reasoning and problem solving skills."

Kidspiration provides a cross-curricular visual workspace for K-5 learners. Students use visual tools combining pictures, text, numbers and spoken words to develop vocabulary, word recognition, comprehension, reasoning and problem solving skills.

Kidspiration works the way students think and learn and the way teachers teach. As students make visual connections, they build fundamental skills in reading, writing, math, science and social studies. Kidspiration offers activities in all curriculum areas, so students use <u>visual learning</u> naturally and confidently.



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### Reading Comprehension Strategies

#### **Make Connections**

What connections do I make as I read?

Good readers notice pieces of text that relate to or remind them of:

- Their lives, past experiences, and prior knowledge
- Other books, articles, movies, songs, or pieces of writing
- · Events, people, or issues

#### Tips:

- · That reminds me of...
- · This made me think of...
- I read another book that...
- · This is different from...
- · I remember when...

#### Visualize

Good readers create pictures in their minds while they read.

While reading, note places where you get a clear picture in your mind that helps you understand the text:

- · I can picture...
- · I can see the...
- I can visualize...
- The movie in my head shows...

Use your senses to connect the characters, events, and ideas to clarify the picture in your head.

- · I can taste/hear/smell the...
- · I can feel the...

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#### **Ask Questions**

Good readers ask questions before, during, and after reading to better understand the author and the meaning of the text.

Ask questions of the author, yourself, and the text:

- What is the author trying to say?
- What is the message of this piece?
- Do I know something about this topic?
- What do I think I will learn from this text?
- How could this be explained to someone else?
- What predictions do I have about this reading?

#### 13 Infer **Determine Importance Synthesize** How do I read between the What's the big idea? How do I use what I've read to lines? create my own ideas? So what? When the answers are Good readers combine new Good readers look for things that "right there," good readers information from their reading help them identify big ideas and draw conclusions based on with existing knowledge in why they are important background knowledge and order to form new ideas or Look at text features for clues: clues in the text. interpretations. Titles and headings Ask yourself: Synthesis is creating a single **Bold** print · I wonder why... understanding from a variety of Pictures and captions I wonder how... sources. Graphs and charts · I wonder if... Chapter objectives and Tips: Find information from the text questions · Compare and contrast that might be clues to the what I'm reading with what Tips: answers and use these with I already know or other · The big idea is... your background knowledge for sources of information. Most important information possible answers. · Think of new ways to use this information. So far I've learned... Can connections I make · The author is saying... across this text help me to This idea is similar to... create new generalizations or new perspectives?

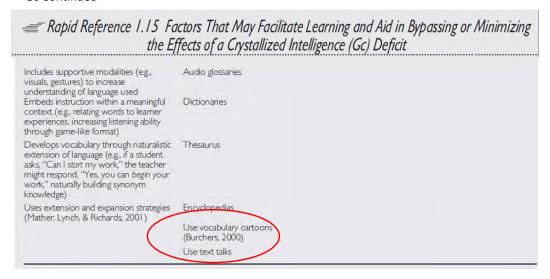
### Adapted from the work of Beal, Keene, and Tovani

## Rapid Reference 1.15 Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Crystallized Intelligence (Gc) Deficit

Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Provides an environment rich in language and experiences	Contains chapter Glossaries	Word-of-the-day calendar	Use KWL strategy to increase background knowledge
Incorporates frequent practice with and exposure to words	E-Glossaries available	Word walls	Use context when reading to ascertain meaning
Reads aloud to children	Provides vocabulary building activities (print or online)		Capitalize on opportunities to practice new words (listening for their use in television shows and other media, purposely using them in conversation)
Varies reading purpose (leisure, information)	Contains tools for priming background knowledge (e.g., Harcourt)	Distraction-free seating	Engage in activities such as word searches containing related terms (e.g., travel terms) and crosswords (note: puzzlemaker.com can create customized puzzles)
Works on vocabulary building	Includes story starters	Closed doors	Write a new word and its definition along with a drawing
Teaches morphology	Includes text features (boldface, italics)	Closed windows	along with a drawing
Capitalizes on opportunities to define words within instruction (e.g., "the composition of igneous rock, that is, what it is made of, is")	Availability of video clips		

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#### Gc Continued



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### Florida Center for Reading Research

Text Talk

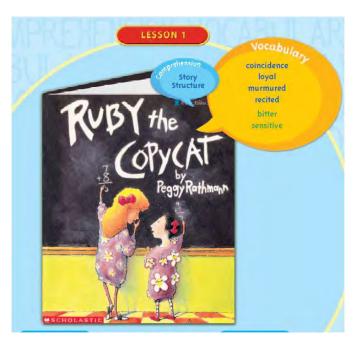
#### What is Text Talk?

Text Talk is an oral language instruction program intended for all students in grades K-3. It is designed to supplement a school's core reading program with 20 minutes of daily whole or small group instruction delivered by the teacher. The goal of the program is to develop the student's ability to construct meaning of sophisticated vocabulary words within the context of read-alouds and explicit vocabulary instruction. These vocabulary words and ideas are contextualized with explicit descriptions of how the words are used in the story and through interactive discussions.

The Text Talk instructional approach was developed by Drs. Isabel L. Beck and Margaret G. McKeown based on findings from their many years of research. These findings are depicted in their book, <u>Bringing Words to Life</u> which describes the rationale and methods for teaching children rich, robust vocabulary words. These words are not ordinarily found in their speaking vocabulary but would most likely be in their conceptual lexicon and appear in a variety of texts. Described as Tier 2 words in their book, Beck and McKeown underscore the importance of providing students repeated opportunities to hear and use these new vocabulary words in different contexts. The instructional strategies discussed in <u>Bringing Words to Life</u> are applied in the <u>Text Talk program</u>.

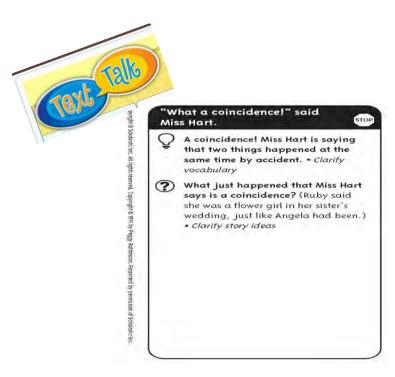
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## **Gc Recommendations** &

- Provide an environment rich in language and experiences
- Frequent practice with and exposure to words
- Read aloud to children
- Vary reading purpose (leisure, information)

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## What Do You Do for Gc Weakness? &

- Enrich
- Relate
- Create
- Ratify
- Multidisciplinary curricula





Information on this slide was presented by Flaine Fletcher-Janzen at the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual assessment conference, Fordham University New York, NY (May, 2011).

### Recommendations for Gc (Verbal Ability) Deficit

- Work on vocabulary building
- Activities to build listening skills
- Explicitly teach listening strategies
- Teach morphology

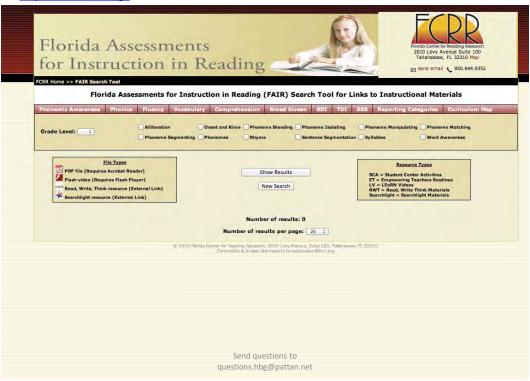


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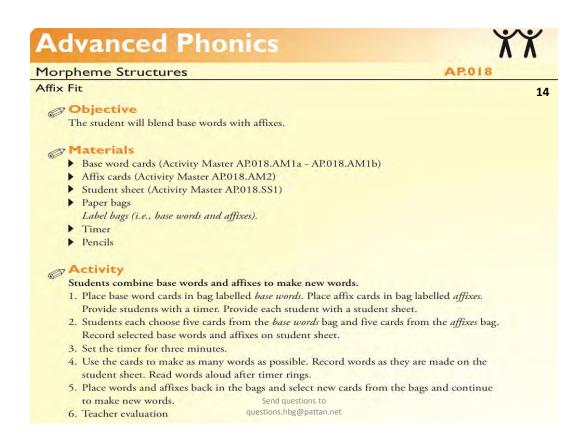
### **Programs/Techniques for Gc (Verbal Ability) Deficits**

- When selecting a program or a technique to intervene with a student with a Gc deficit, it may be helpful to consider one that
  - includes some sort of vocabulary building
  - includes supportive modalities to increase understanding of language used (e.g., visuals, gestures)
  - embeds instruction within a meaningful context (e.g., relating words to learner experiences, communicating word meanings with visuals, increasing listening ability through game-like format)

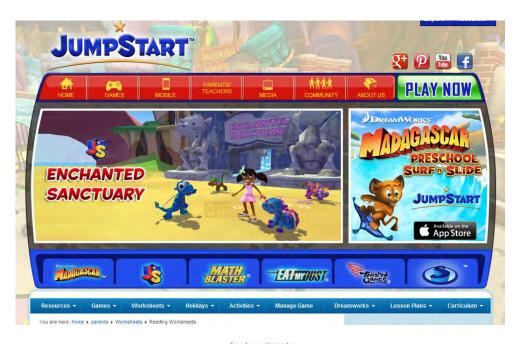
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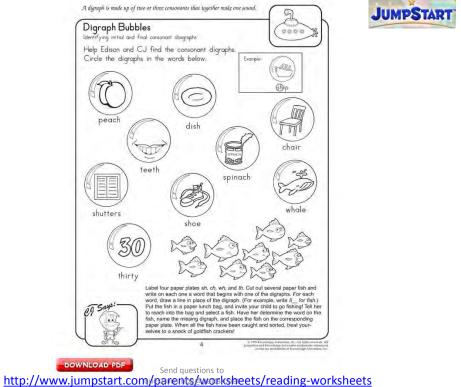


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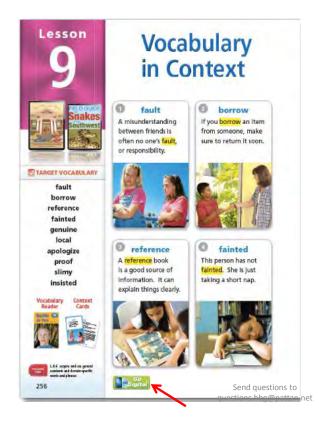
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#### http://www.vocabulary.co.il/english-language-games/



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Instructional \$
Supports for
Building
Gc (VL) in the
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#### Finding Assistive Technology

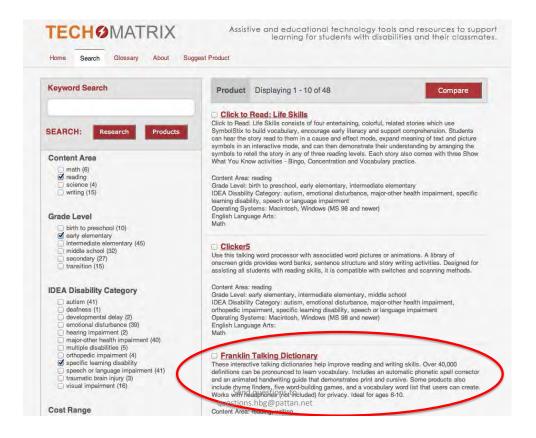
#### For Educators

As Matthew Lynch discusses in *Education Week*'s "Assistive Technology: A Necessity for Student Success," there have been great strides in recent years to improve available technologies. To learn more about what's available, there are several websites that provide information about specific technologies and guidance on finding appropriate tools. TechMatrix, funded through a grant by the U.S. Department of Education and maintained by the American institutes for Research (AIR), is a searchable database of over 400 assistive and educational technology tools and resources. The products are searchable by content area, grade level, IDEA disability category, and the type of instructional support. TechMatrix also provides a useful consumer guide for school administrators looking to purchase assistive and learning technologies and aggregates research articles on the theory and practice of using technology to improve student learning.

#### For Parents

For parents and families, the FCTD hosts a resource review database listing hundreds of assistive and instructional technology resources including books, articles, research, and other materials. Common Sense Media has an online resource and downloadable guide, "Power Up! ppps for Kids with Special Needs and Learning Differences." Graphite, a service of Common Sense Media, also maintains a collection of reviews of Great Special Ed Apps and Sites recommended by educators and experts working with children with special needs and learning differences.

http://www.edutopia.org/assistive-technology-resources#graph2





#### Power Up! Apps for Kids with Special Needs and Learning Differences

#### A fresh look at learning

If your child has a special need or learning difference, you've come to the right place. Common Sense Media gets lots of requests for product recommendations from parents whose kids struggle with traditional learning. Some of their kids have a hard time with schoolwork; others have trouble staying on task or find it difficult to express their feelings.

#### Our hope for you and your kids

No matter which hurdles your kild faces, the apps and other media included in Power Up can give them an added boost. We don't expect an app to be a complete solution, of course. Working with kilds who face challenges requires lots of time, attention, and patience on the part of a parent, teacher, or other adult caregiver. Our goal is to offer you a host of fun, well-designed apps that were recommended and tested by field experts. We nope they can become a part of your tookit as you work with your child.

#### About the categories

Apps are arranged by challenge area and difficulty level. For each challenge area, we've included an informational overview with a list of typical challenges that kids face, help for choosing apps that match kids' needs, and further resources. You'll also find Power Tips with ideas for other activities you can do.

#### We've done our homework

Lots of work went into creating this guide. Our team spent several months surveying research, conducting interviews, and field testing products with field leaders, experts, teachers, and parents. In addition, Gayl Bowser, an expert in the field of special needs and technology, helped select products and authored the guide.

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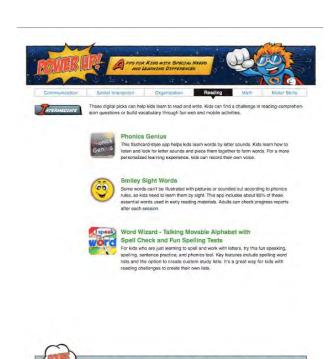


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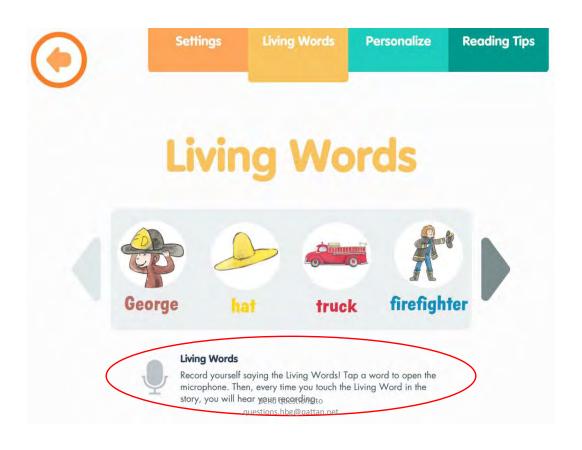
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Words have visuals

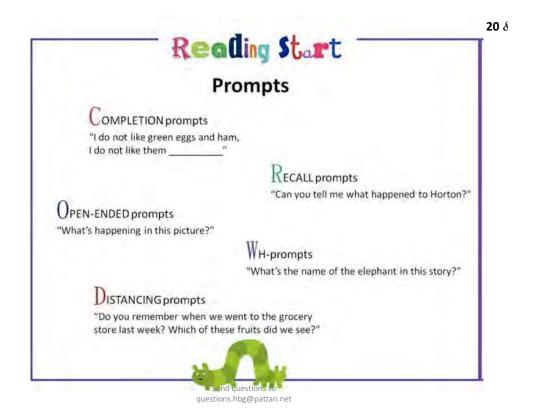


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# Rapid Reference 1.20 Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Short-Term Memory (Gsm) Deficit

Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Offers repetition of information	Practice guides	Color-coded Information	Apply rote strategies (e.g., basic rehearsal, simple repetition) for information to be learned in the short-term
Reviews information and newly presented concepts often	Guided study	Math-facts tables (e.g., multiplication)	Encourage use of relational strategies (e.g., mnemonics)
Delivers information in manageable parts	Online review	Written schedules	Use elaborative rehearsal (associating new information with prior knowledge)
Evidences use of consistent instructional routines	Flash cards	Visual schedules (e.g., pictures)	Semantic rehearsal (creating a sentence using things to be remembered)
Uses meaningful stimuli to assist with encoding and allow for experiential learning (i.e., learning while doing)	Multisensory materials to facilitate encoding	Written reminders (homework)	Chunking
Provides opportunities for repeated practice and review			Paraphrasing.
Provides supports (e.g., lecture notes, guided notes, study guides, written directions) to supplement oral instruction			Visual mnemonics (imagery, pegwords, loci, keyword method; Dehn)

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## **Build Sight Words**

Go to: <a href="http://www.mrsperkins.com/dolch.htm">http://www.mrsperkins.com/dolch.htm</a>

**Print Flash Cards** 

Use folding-in technique (builds confidence)

	Pre-primer	Primer	First
	a	all	after
مام	and	am	again
rds	away	are	an
	big	at	any
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	is	have	him
	it	he	his
	jump	into	how
	little	like	just
	look	must	know
	make	new	let
	me	no	live
	my	now	may
	not	on	of
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Build Sight Words: Good Visual Ability (Gv); Difficulty with Memory (Gsm) &





# Carl needs strategies for Gsm deficits (memory span; working memory)

### • Give Directions in Multiple Formats:

- visual and verbal
- encourage him to paraphrase directions and explain what they mean
- give examples of what needs to be done



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# Carl needs strategies for Gsm deficits (memory span; working memory)

- Teach Students to Over-learn Material
  - several error-free repetitions are needed to solidify the information
- Teach Students to Use Visual Images and Other Memory Strategies

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# Visual Images Used to Aid Vocabulary \* Development \*

- Reading
  - Vocabulary Cartoons II (Burchers, 2000)
    - Target word and definition are included along with a cartoon that reinforces the words meaning in a visual format
    - Grades 3+

### COLOSSAL

(kuh LOS ul) *adj.* enormous, gigantic; huge in size, extent or degree

Sounds like:  ${f FOSSIL}$ 



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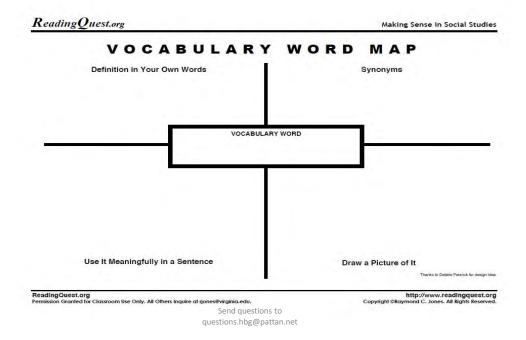
#### ABDUCT (ab DUCT) to kidnap or carry off by force

Sounds like: DUCK



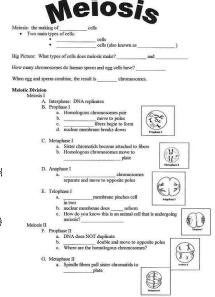
The Evil Knight planned to ABDUCT the queen when she came alone to the village.

# Sight Word Development Aided by Visual Images and Multiple Associations &



# Strategies for Gsm deficits (memory span; working memory)

- Give Teacher-Prepared Handouts Prior to Class Lectures:
  - brief outline
  - guided notes
  - partially completed graphic \* organizer that the student would complete during the \* lecture \*



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# Strategies for Gsm deficits (memory span; working memory)

### Teach Students to Be Active Readers:

 students should underline, highlight, or jot key words down in the margins

 To consolidate this information in long-term memory, they can make outlines or use graphic

organizers

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## Reading Comprehension Strategies



Teach Students how to be Active Readers \*

Reading Comprehension \*
Strategies \*
(with visuals) \*

# What Good Readers Do

### Before reading

- Read title
- Look over text features
- Set a purpose for reading
- Activate background knowledge

### After Reading

- Reflect what you read
- Paraphrase
- Check predictions

### **During Reading**

- Visualize
- Monitor comprehension
- Make connections
- Make and check predictions
- Analyze characters
- Reread confusing parts
- Infer meanings
- Ask and answer questions
- Mentally paraphrase

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# Strategies for Gsm deficits (memory span; working memory)

### Help Students Develop Cues When Storing Information:

 HOMES can be used to represent the names of the Great Lakes – Huron, Ontario, Michigan, Erie and \* Superior \*

### Prime the Memory Prior to Teaching/Learning:

 discuss the vocabulary and the overall topic before a reading comprehension task is given. This will allow them to focus on the salient information and \* engage in more effective depth of processing. \*

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## **Strategies for Gsm deficits** &

- Review Material Before Going to Sleep:
  - information studied this way is better remembered
  - any other task that is performed after reviewing and prior to sleeping (such as getting a snack, brushing teeth, listening to music) interferes with consolidation of information in memory



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Rapid Reference 1.17 Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Long-Term Retrieval (Glr) Deficit

Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Uses close-ended questions, yes/no, true/false	Guided lists for implementing procedures, formulas	Procedural charts	Organizes material to be learned using visual aids (e.g., diagrams, flowcharts), auditory aids (e.g., chunking), or other tangibles (e.g., flash cards)
Uses consistent instructional routines	Practice guides	Word walls	Makes connections by relating materia to be learned to oneself
Offers repeated practice with and review of newly presented information	Online review	Desk organizers	Relates concepts to be learned to one another via tools such as a concept map
Teaches memory strategies and encourages their use (verbal rehearsal to support encoding, use of mnemonic devices; Dehn, 2010)	Glossaries (electronic, audio, printed)	External memory aids (lists, audible timers)	Creates a schedule for distributed practice of material to be learned
Uses multiple modalities when teaching new concepts (pair written or visual with verbal information) to support dual recoding (Dehn, 2010)	Study guides	Calendars with visual references to due dates	Plans for regular review of material
Limits the amount of new material to be learned; introduces new concepts gradually and with a lot of context	Review sheets	Visual reminders (Post- its, color-coded systems)	Rehearses material to be learned via recitation, repetition  (continued)

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## **Academic Manifestations (Glr)** &

- Language
  - Expressive circumlocutions, speech fillers,
     "interrupted" thought, pauses
  - Receptive making connections throughout oral presentations (e.g., class lecture)

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## Interventions for *Glr* (

- Active learning (Marzano, et al., 2001)
- Rehearsal, overlearning, elaboration (Squire & Schacter, 2003) \$
- Mnemonics (Wolfe, 2001)
- Visual representation (Greenleaf & Wells-Papanek, 2005)
- Organizational strategies

Wendling and Miller (2010)

## **GIr Recommendations** &

- Repeated practice with and review of newly presented information
- Teach memory strategies (verbal rehearsal to support encoding, use of mnemonic devices)
- Use multiple modalities when teaching new concepts (pair written with verbal information)
- Limit the amount of new material to be learned; introduce new concepts gradually and with a lot of context
- Make associations between newly learned and prior information explicit
- Use lists to facilitate recall (prompts)

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## **GIr Recommendations** &

- Expand vocabulary to minimize impact of word retrieval deficits
- Build in wait-time for student when fluency of retrieval is an issue
- Provide background knowledge first before asking a question to "prime" student for retrieval

### **Programs/Techniques for Glr Deficits**

- When selecting a program or a technique to intervene with a student with a Glr deficit, it is helpful to ensure that it
  - includes encoding strategies (e.g., mnemonics, visuals)
  - uses some form of strategy instruction for accessing information

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# Reading and Writing Intervention Examples (GIr) &

- Reading
  - Teaching text structure which, "organizes the reader's thinking, and enhances understanding and recall of the information" (Wendling & Mather, 2009, p. 108)

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## Reading and Writing Examples (Glr) &

### Story Map

- Type of graphic organizer that can be used to teach narrative text structure
- Focuses on 4 elements including (1) characters and their personalities/ motivations; (2) main problem; (3) characters' attempts to problem solve; (4) outcome/conclusion

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ry Name:
Who is the central character?
What is the main character like? (Describe his/her key qualities or personality traits)
Who is another important character in the story?
What is this other important character like?
Where and when does the story take place?
What is the major problem that the main character is faced with?
How does the main character attempt to solve this major problem?
What is the twist, surprise, or unexpected development that takes place in the story?
How is the problem solved or not solved?

## Reading and Writing Examples (Glr) &

- Writing
  - Use programs with generated word banks so that the retrieval demands during writing are lessened and vocabulary is indirectly expanded by having the student use target words in sentences

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## Using Instructional Materials (Glr) &

- Use chapter terms such as "word banks" for writing activities to facilitate retrieval
- Use chapter previews to "prime" background knowledge and help student make associations
- Use *online tools* (e.g., writing prompts)

## Harcourt Language (Grade 4) &



Mind Nudgers serve as helpful "priming" tools (e.g., retrieval weakness and student needs to think of topic for free journal writing) questions.hbg@pattan.net



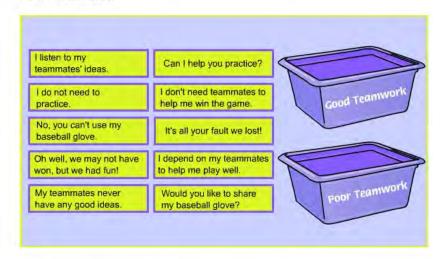
## Centerfield Ballhawk



Have you ever played team sports, worked with partners to plant a garden, or performed with a musical group? If you have, you know that teamwork, or cooperating with members of a group, is needed to succeed. Team members must work together, be respectful, and listen to their instructors and teammates.

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Read the sentences below. Click and drag the sentences into the correct bin. Decide which statements show **Good Teamwork** and which show **Poor Teamwork**.

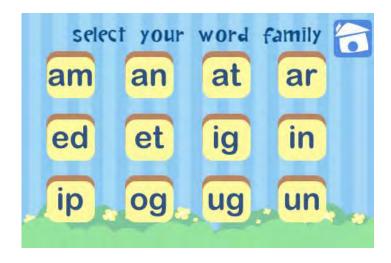


After sorting the statements, decide how you can be a better team player. Think of other ways to improve your teamwork skills. Work with a classmate to make a poster about teamwork.



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## My Word Wall: Word Families &



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# My Word Wall: Multisensory &



## My Word Wall: Activities &



## My Word Wall: Review &

#### KinderTown Review

My Word Wall is a first-rate phonics app. With loads of activities and games, your beginning reader will have a great time practicing spelling, phonics and overall wordplay. Your child will engage in six activities that work on identifying beginning sounds, word puzzles, word families, matching words to pictures, and general vocabulary building. Directions are given in each game and there are no hints as the games are designed for your child to also discover the answers with out "buzzing" every error made.

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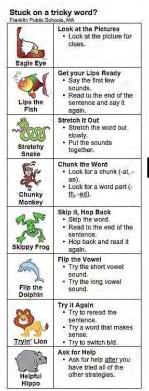
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KinderTown has App resources for parents: "You can sort by age, device, price



# Reading Decoding Strategies (with visuals)

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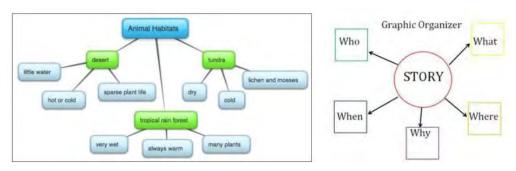
Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Provide oral explanation for visual concepts	Video clips	Color-coded Information	Uses orthographic strategies for decoding (e.g., word length, shape of word); Uses "cover-copy-compare" technique—go to: http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/lookcover/lookcover/lookcover.html
Reviews spatial concept and supports comprehension through use of hand- on activities and manipulatives (e.g., using models to demonstrate the models orbital path).	Enlarged text (via online zoom feature or alternative print copy of textbook, worksheet)	Preferential seating aimed at allowing the student to access visual material (e.g., smart board) manipulatives, visual aids, and other materials to support learning	Capitalizes on intact or strong auditory skills during learning/studying (e.g., uses phonemic skills for decoding tasks)
Provides verbal label for visual representations (e.g., "The shaded red bars represent women's votes, the green bars represent men's votes)	Highlights margins during writing tasks	Assigned note-taking buddy	Pairs visual information with verbal (mnemonics)
Provides written copies of oral instructions, lectures	Provides direct handwriting practice	Readers or scribes, where needed	Labels visual charts/graphs with verbal labels
Auditory cueing to supplement visual information/cues (e.g., "Look at the bar graph for weekly sales")	Provides visual supports (graphic organizers, graph paper)	Reduce visual distraction	Highlights or color codes important information

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#### **Gv** Continued

Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Visual Processing (Gv) Deficit		
Provides graph-paper to assist with number alignment	Alternative lighting (natural light, non-fluorescent lighting)	Uses aids to support visual tracking (finger, index card, ruler)
Books on tape		Spaces items on a page
Text-to-speech technology (screen and text readers)		Uses applications or supports that allow for enlargement of fonts
Reading/scanning pens		Uses note-taking strategies (e.g., Cornell, outlining)

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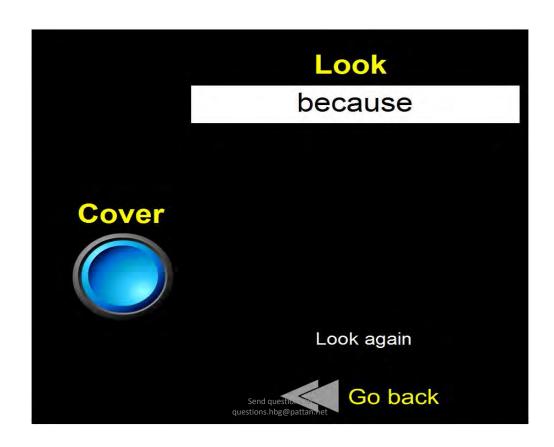
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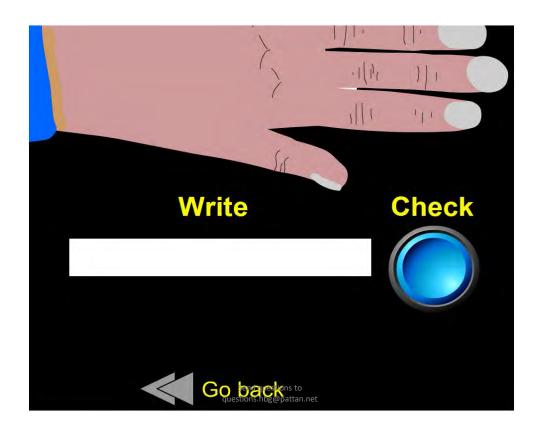
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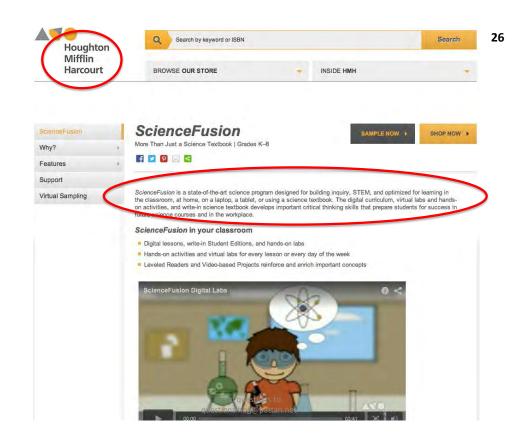
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Reading Decoding Strategies (with visuals)

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### How to Use Instructional Materials \*

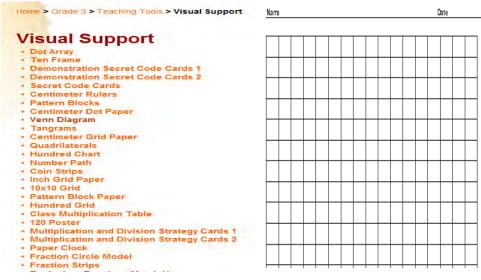
- Visual Features of texts (maps, graphs, models)
- Graphic Organizers online
- "Using Tables, Charts, and Graphs" in Harcourt Science text

### Houghton Mifflin Math Expressions \*

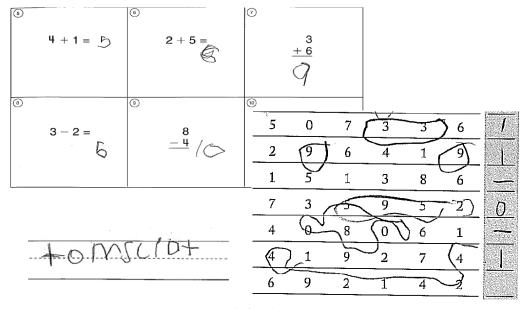


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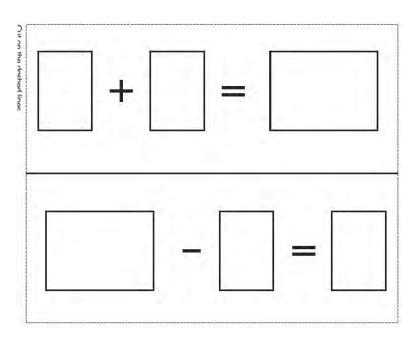
### Houghton Mifflin Math Expressions \*



## Johnny has perceptual-motor, graphomotor difficulties — OT intervention seems warranted; needs visual supports \*



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### Rapid Reference 1.16 Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of an Auditory Processing (Ga) Deficit

Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Enunciates sounds in words in an emphatic manner when teaching new words for reading or spelling	Video clips	Rules for talking and listening	Use comprehension monitoring (e.g., Does the word I heard/read make sense in context/)
Uses instructional techniques (e.g., work preview/text preview) to clanfy unknown words	Read aloud texts/ features	Spelling lists	Engage in self-advocacy (e.g., asking for information to be repeated and/or clarified in regard to the misheard part)
Provides instructional supports (e.g., guided notes) during note- taking activities	Audio glossaries	Closed doors	Physically positioning oneself toward/close to the speaker
Builds in time for clarification questions related to "missed" or "misheard" items during lecture	Supplement oral instructions with written instructions	Closed windows	Attending to speaker's mouth and/or gestures, facial expressions, during the delivery of information
Shortens instructions	Phonemic awareness activities	Distraction-free seating	Recording notes via audio methods to allow a mechanism for being able to fill in notes for completeness
Makes an effort to minimize background noise via the use of instructional commands (e.g., work quietly, refrain from talking with your neighbor)	Electronic textbooks	Noise minimizers (carpet, noise- reducing headphones)	Following along with written directions/text during the provision of oral instruction
Repeats or rephrases questions asked by other students to ensure that all students "hear" the question that is associated with the teacher's given response	Guided notes graphic organizers	Preferential seating (close to teacher, away from heaters, fans)	Practicing spelling lists with visually based techniques
Emphasizes sight-word reading		Localize sound source for student by standing closer when delivering instructions	Use visualization strategies to remember things
Pauses when delivering oral instruction to allow time for student to process auditory information			Use written mediums (e.g., email, text) to preserve content/integrity of information communicated

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#### Audiobooks Can Help Your Child Become a Better Reader and a More Effective Learner

If your child is having trouble learning to read or is struggling to keep up with homework, audiobooks can be a powerful tool that can improve reading comprehension, boost confidence, save time on schoolwork and lead to better grades.



#### Become a better reader with audiobooks

Listening to an audiobook while visually following the text can improve reading skills in dyslexic students.

By engaging multiple senses, listening along with the text can improve reading comprehension, increase vocabulary, and improve fluency.

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#### Become a better learner with

When reading assignments take too long, audiobooks can help your child finish homework faster.

Dyslexic students find themselves spending hours longer than their peers doing homework because they're bogged down with reading assignments. Instead of struggling with decoding words on the page, your child can focus on getting the information they need with audiobooks.

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#### n expert's opinion



Dr. Sally Shaywitz, one of the world's leading authorities on dyslexia, explains how audio textbooks from Learning Ally help people with this pervasive learning difference.

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### Rapid Reference 1.18 Factors That May Facilitate Learning and Aid in Bypassing or Minimizing the Effects of a Processing Speed (Gs) Deficit

Classroom Instructional Factors	Instructional Materials	Environmental Factors	Strategies
Focuses on features of work products that are unrelated to time parameters (e.g., quality or accuracy of a response)	Practice guides	Clocks	Plan for long-term projects by using a realistic schedule that allows for consistent movement toward completion
Repeated practice	Online review	Written schedules	Preview important parts of text (end-of- chapter questions, title, subtitles, glossary of terms) to facilitate reading speed
Offers speed drills		Desk organizers	Apply planning and time management strategies
	Use computer activities that require quick, simple decisions		Use techniques such as skimming and scanning for reading activities
Extended time	Books on tape		Use an outlining strategy for note-taking
Reduces the quantity of work required (including homework)	Online activities/games (e.g., http://www .arcademicskillbuilders com/games/)		
Increases wait-times both after questions are asked and after responses are given			
Choral repeated reading			

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### Reading and Writing Examples (Gs) \*

- Writing
- Wordy Qwerty from Talking Fingers

The overall purpose of *Wordy Qwerty:* Foundations for Reading and Writing Fluency, is to improve phonological and morphological sensitivity, to develop a deeper understanding of how words are constructed in English, and to provide reading and writing activities with helpful feedback, in order to increase fluency and comprehension in reading and writing. Wordy Qwerty has 20 lessons, with six activities per lesson, that present the following foundations for fluency:

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### Increasing Fluency in Writing \*



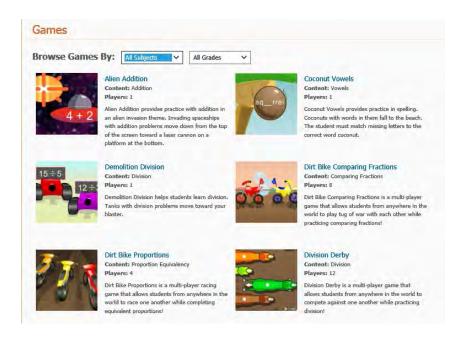
**Write Stories:** In these cleverly illustrated 8-line rhymes, children hear and see the first line, and have to type out the second line after it is dictated. They can see and hear the dictated line as often as they need, but get more points if they remember the sentence and try to spell the words correctly. These little stories are full of words that require using the spelling rule just presented.

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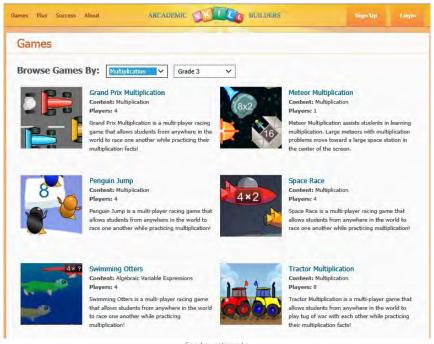


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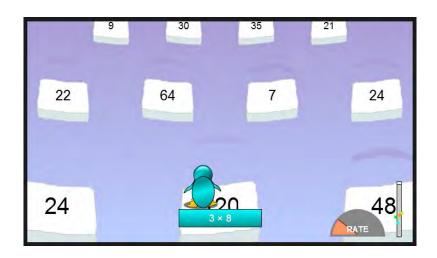
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#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS) &



A Student's Cognitive Processing and Ability Strengths and Weaknesses Informs Diagnosis and Intervention

A Comprehensive Evaluation for Suspected SLD Ought to Include Measurement of Cognitive Abilities and Processes within at least Seven CHC Domains

- SLD has neurobiological influences and is defined by specific cognitive processing weaknesses
- Evidence of cognitive-achievement relationships
- •Cognitive processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances (e.g., reading, math, writing)
- Cognitive processing weaknesses obstruct learning; when identified, steps can be taken to minimize the effects of these weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum
- •Some cognitive processes can be remediated questions.hlp@pattan.net

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### Remediation of Cognitive Processes \*

 Phonological processing – areas of the brain normally involved in phonological processing associated with no activation prior to intervention; substantial increase in activation and improved reading skills after intervention



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# Dyslexia-specific brain activation profile becomes normal following successful remedial training

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**Objectives:** To examine changes in the spatiotemporal brain activation profiles associated with successful completion of an intensive intervention program in individual dyslexic children.

**Methods:** The authors obtained magnetic source imaging scans during a pseudoword reading task from eight children (7 to 17 years old) before and after 80 hours of intensive remedial instruction. All children were initially diagnosed with dyslexia, marked by severe difficulties in word recognition and phonologic processing. Eight children who never experienced reading problems were also tested on two occasions separated by a 2-month interval.

Results: Before intervention, all children with dyslexia showed distinctly aberrant activation profiles featuring little or no activation of the posterior portion of the superior temporal gyrus (STGp), an area normally involved in phonologic processing, and increased activation of the corresponding right hemisphere area. After intervention that produced significant improvement in reading skills, activity in the left STGp increased by several orders of magnitude in every participant. No systematic changes were obtained in the activation profiles of the children without dyslexia as a function of time.

Conclusions: These findings suggest that the deficit in functional brain organization underlying dyslexia can be reversed after sufficiently intense intervention lasting as little as 2 months, and are consistent with current proposals that reading difficulties in many children represent a variation of normal development that can be altered by intensive intervention.

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### Neural deficits in children with dyslexia ameliorated by behavioral remediation: Evidence from functional MRI

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#### Abstract

Developmental dyslexia, characterized by unexplained difficulty in reading, is associated with behavioral deficits in phonological processing. Functional neuroimaging studies have shown a deficit in the neural mechanisms underlying phonological processing in children and adults with dyslexia. The present study examined whether behavioral remediation ameliorates these dysfunctional neural mechanisms in children with dyslexia. Functional MRI was performed on 20 children with dyslexia (8–12 years old) during phonological processing before and after a remediation program focused on auditory processing and oral language training. Behaviorally, training improved oral language and reading performance. Physiologically, children with dyslexia showed increased activity in multiple brain areas. Increases occurred in left temporo-parietal cortex and left inferior frontal gyrus, bringing brain activation in these regions closer to that seen in normal-reading children. Increased activity was observed also in right-hemisphere frontal and temporal regions and in the anterior cingulate gyrus. Children with dyslexia showed a correlation between the magnitude of increased activation in left temporo-parietal cortex and improvement in oral language ability. These results suggest that a partial remediation of language-processing deficits, resulting in improved reading, ameliorates disrupted function in brain regions associated with phonological processing and produces additional compensatory activation in other brain regions.

### Remediation of Cognitive Processes \*

 Orthographic processing – individuals in orthographic processing interventions showed reliable change (reading/spelling), normalization of brain activation, and treatment-specific response to brain areas associated with orthographic processing.

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Individual fMRI activation in orthographic mapping and morpheme mapping after orthographic or morphological spelling treatment in child dyslexics

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Journal of Neurolinguistics

Abstract

Volume 19, Issue 1, January 2006, Pages 56–86

Four sets of word-form tasks were administered during fMRI scanning to 18 child dyslexics and 21 controls to identify unique brain activation associated with four kinds of mapping—orthographic, morpheme with and without phonological shift, and phoneme—before treatment, and to measure the effect on each kind of mapping after orthographic and morphological spelling treatment (to which dyslexics were randomly assigned). Dyslexics and/or controls showed significant pretreatment activation in group maps in 18 brain regions during one or more of the mapping tasks. Average fMRI z-scores were used to determine for each kind of fMRI mapping which of the 18 brain areas (a) differentiated dyslexics and controls before treatment; (b) showed significant pre- to post-treatment activation change in dyslexics; (c) showed post-treatment 'normalization' of activation; and (d) changed differently for dyslexics as a function of the kind of treatment received. Dyslexics in orthographic treatment showed reliable change, normalization, and treatment-specific response in right inferior frontal gyrus and right posterior parietal gyrus. Implications of the findings of the combined group map and individual (region of interest) analyses for neurolinguistics, including assessment, treatment and brain plasticity, and the rolesofidifferent word forms in spelling at a specific developmental stage, are discussed. questions.hbg@pattan.net

# Growth in Phonological, Orthographic, and Morphological Awareness in Grades 1 to 6

Virginia W. Berninger · Robert D. Abbott · Journal of Psycholinguistic Research
William Nagy · Joanne Carlisle · April 2010, Volume 39, Issue 2, pp 141-163

Abstract Growth curve analyses showed that (a) word-level phonological and orthographic awareness show greatest growth during the primary grades but some additional growth thereafter, and (b) three kinds of morphological awareness show greatest growth in the first three or four grades but one—derivation—continues to show substantial growth after fourth grade. Implications of the findings for the role of three kinds of linguistic awareness—phonological, orthographic, and morphological—in learning to read and spell words are discussed. A case is made that phonological awareness, while necessary, is not sufficient for learning to read English—all three kinds of linguistic awareness that are growing during the primary grades need to be coordinated and applied to literacy learning. This finding and a review of the research on linguistic awareness support the conclusion that the recommendations of the National Reading Panel need to be amended so that the research evidence supporting the importance of both orthographic and morphological awareness, and not only phonological awareness, is acknowledged. Moreover, evidence-based strategies for teaching each of these kinds of linguistic awareness and their interrelationships need to be disseminated to educational practitions.

### Remediation of Cognitive Processes \*

 Working Memory Capacity – Individual differences in working memory capacity are correlated with the structural integrity of white matter pathways connecting domain general regions with the frontoparietal network; working memory training produces measureable growth in connectivity; working memory training increases the integrity of white matter (e.g., Takeuchi et al., 2010).

The Journal of Neuroscience, March 3, 2010 • 30(9):3297-3303 • 3297

#### Cognitive Intervention -> Structural Changes in Brain -> Improved Working Memory Capacity

Development/Plasticity/Repair

# Training of Working Memory Impacts Structural Connectivity

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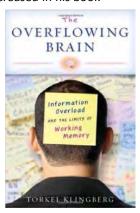
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Working memory is the limited capacity storage system involved in the maintenance and manipulation of information over short periods of time. Individual capacity of working memory is associated with the integrity of white matter in the frontoparietal regions. It is unknown to what extent the integrity of white matter underlying the working memory system is plastic. Using voxel-based analysis (VBA) of fractional anisotropy (FA) measures of fiber tracts, we investigated the effect of working memory training on structural connectivity in an interventional study. The amount of working memory training correlated with increased FA in the white matter regions adjacent to the intraparietal sulcus and the anterior part of the body of the corpus callosum after training. These results showed training-induced plasticity in regions that are thought to be critical in working memory. As changes in myelination lead to FA changes in diffusion tensor imaging, a possible mechanism for the observed FA change is increased myelination after training. Observed structural changes may underlie previously reported improvement of working memory capacity, improvement of other cognitive functions, and altered functional activity following working memory training.

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Klingberg asserts that *Working Memory Capacity* can be increased in his book



Evidence from Cogmed: Results from meta-analysis show highly significant effects of working memory training on improving visuospatial WM and verbal WM and these effects remain significant over time (Shinaver, Entwistly, & Sodergvist, 2014)



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DOI: 10.1080/21622965.2013.875314 Charles S. Shinaver III\*, Peter C. Entwistle<sup>b\*</sup> & Stina Soderqvist<sup>c</sup> pages 163-172

Publishing models and article dates explained Published online: 10 Jul 2014

- WM is improved using working memory training
- Attention is improved following working memory training
- •Cogmed has a significant impact on visual-spatial and verbal working memory and these effects generalize to improved sustained attention up to 6 months
- •Evidence of improved academics following Cogmed training but more controlled studies needed before making strong and specific claims

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### Effect of Cognitive Processing Assessments and Interventions on Academic & Outcomes: Can 200 Studies Be Wrong? &

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#### **Excerpts from Article**

- 203 studies across seven meta-analyses
- Largest effect size reported was .58 for cognitively focused interventions (e.g., long-term memory, planning, processing speed, working memory, visual-spatial processing) compared to no intervention
- Relationship between student RTI and IQ showed an average effect size of .35
- "IQ tells us very little about how well a student will respond to intervention"

#### **Comments**

- Characteristics of these studies (demographics, basic stats: e.g., medians, ranges of effect sizes) are not reported; reader cannot, therefore, review information critically
- Not all studies showed small effects for cognitively focused interventions
- IQ mediates RTI (hasn't changed in 70+ years)
  - Monroe (1939) The rate of progress under remedial instruction was found to be a function of the child's intelligence (among other variables, such as number of hours of training, severity of the disability, supervision of the remedial techniques)
  - Fuchs and Young (2006) IQ often mediates or influences the effectiveness of reading instruction such that it is more or less effective for children with higher versus lower IQs.
- "IQ tells us very little about how well a student will respond to intervention" What type of intervention?
  - Sound-symbol correspondence? Then yes
  - Advanced Mathematics? Then probably not true (no studies)
  - Correlation between COG-g and ACH-g is .83 (.77 .94; S.B., Kaufman et al., 2012; Intelligence)

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#### **Conclusion from Article &**

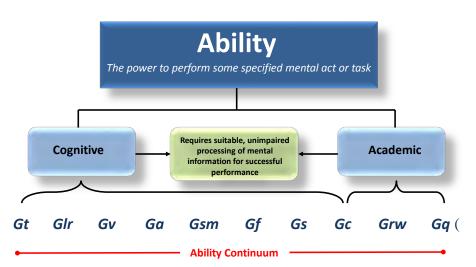
#### "The effect sizes for remediating academic deficits by intervening directly for the reading and mathematics deficit dwarf the effects of remediating assumed underlying cognitive deficits" (p. 27). \*

#### **Comments**

- No one has disagreed with or questioned this finding in the past 20 years.
- Some abilities and processes are more amenable to intervention than others.
- · See ability continuum

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General abilities that develop more from informal, non-school-related experiences; flatter developmental curve across the lifespan (less developmental change) Specialized abilities that develop more from formal, school-related experiences; steeper developmental curve earlier in life (continual development change into adulthood)

Copyright 2002 Allyn & Bacon. Adapted with Permission. The Achievement Test Desk Reference: Comprehensive Assessment and Learning Disabilities (Flanagan, Alfonso, Ortiz, & Mascolo, 2002).

Note: Definition of "ability" from Carroll (1993). Placement of abilities roughly follows the developmental growth curves for the seven CHC factors presented in the WJ IV Technical Managian (McGrew, LaForte, & Schrank, 2014)

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#### **Conclusion from Article &**

#### Comments

- Burns stated, "School psychologists should help school personnel keep focused on that which we know works" (p. 27).
- What works for students with specific learning disabilities?

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### Are Five Studies and Four "Potentially Positive" Interventions Enough? Summary of What <u>May</u> Work for Students with Learning Disabilities

Academic Area	Intervention	# of Studies Meets Standards	# of Studies Meets Standards with Reservations	Number of Students	Grade	Improvement Index	Effectiveness Rating	Extent of Evidence
Alphabetics	Lindamood (LiPs)	1		50	4	9	Potentially Positive	Small
General Academic Achievement	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reading Comprehension	Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies	1	1	60	2-6	26	Potentially Positive	Small
Reading Fluency	Lindamood (LiPs)	Same as above		50	4	17	Potentially Positive	Small
Reading Fluency	Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies	Same as above	Same as above	60	2-6	15	Potentially Positive	Small
Reading Achievement		0		-	-	-	-	-
Writing Achievement	Read Naturally	1		20	4-6	13	Potentially Positive	Small
Writing Achievement	Spelling Mastery	2		70	2-4	28	Potentially Positive	Small
Math Achievement	Lindamood (LiPs)	Same as above		50	4	9	Potentially Positive	Small

Note: Data gathered from the What Works Clearinghouse Website: http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/

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## Are Five Studies with "Potentially Positive" Interventions Enough? Summary of What May Work for Students with Learning Disabilities

- Alphabetics, Reading Fluency, Math Achievement
  - What Works: Lindamood; effectiveness is potentially positive; 50 students in grade 4 (one study)
- Reading Comprehension and Reading Fluency
  - What Works: Peer-Assisted Learning Strategies; effectiveness is potentially positive; 60 students in grades 2-6 (one study)
- Writing Achievement
  - What Works: Read Naturally; effectiveness is potentially positive; 20 students in grades 4-6 (one study)
  - Spelling Mastery; effectiveness is potentially positive; 70 students in grades 2-4 (two studies)
- Reading Achievement and General Academic Achievement
  - What Works: No studies reported
- Evidence for what works for students with learning disabilities is extremely limited

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#### **Conclusions from Article &**

- School psychologists trained in an aptitude-by-treatment interaction tradition ... should consider ways to more effectively support the children they serve.
- Warns that clinical beliefs may be overshadowing research data. \*

#### **Comments**

- Is the assumption that many school psychologists are trying to train cognitive processes (other than phonological and perhaps orthographic)? Who is doing that?
- Burns has taken the stance that because there is limited support for ATIs, cognitive assessment data are irrelevant in planning interventions...and perhaps just irrelevant period.
- Burns cited an "in press" metaanalysis that he conducted on the utility of neuropsychological test data for intervention planning – found no utility. No mention of how the data Send questions towere used to inform intervention,

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### Purpose of Cognitive Assessment \*

#### **General** &

- To inform diagnosis
- To inform intervention

#### **Specific**

 To understand specific cognitive strengths and weaknesses and how they interact with the child's educational environment and impact the child's ability to access the curriculum

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# Aptitude-by-Treatment Interaction: \* Déjà Vu All Over Again \*

#### Misconception &

 Because most cognitive deficits cannot be remediated (i.e., poor evidence for ATIs), there is little value in conducting cognitive assessments (see Burns, 2016).

#### Reality

 When cognitive processing and ability weaknesses are supported by ecological validity evidence, specific and tailored educational strategies, accommodations, and instructional modifications assist in minimizing the effects of those weaknesses on the student's ability to access the curriculum (see Mascolo, Alfonso, & Flanagan, 2014).

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# An Example of How Cognitive Processing Weaknesses Inform Intervention \*

#### **Working Memory Deficit**

- Standardized test data suggest a deficit in working memory capacity
- Student unable to take notes and concentrate on meaning of lesson/instruction simultaneously
- Notes are incomplete; limits ability to study; cannot rely on memory of content presented because information was not encoded
- Results in poor test performance

#### **Accommodation**

- Guided notes
- Minimizes effects of working memory deficit on student's ability to access curriculum/instruction \*
- Able to allocate limited working memory capacity to encoding information because note-taking is substantially reduced
- Complete set of notes to study from
- Results in better test performance

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### Skill-by-Treatment Interaction

#### Misconception

 There's an abundance of evidence-based academic interventions that have been demonstrated to improve outcomes for students with specific learning disabilities

#### Reality

- Very limited evidence
- No evidence for many academic skills at many grade levels for students with specific learning disabilities (Source: http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwc/)

### Cognitive Tests in Perspective \*

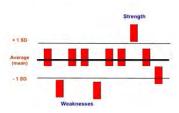
It is not hard to identify struggling children after they have already fallen behind in school—no IQ test is needed for that. The trick is to prevent problems before they occur. Cognitive ability tests can help us prioritize scarce resources so that children most likely to fall behind are better able to keep up and succeed.



Joel Schneider (2016). Overview. In D.P. Flanagan & V.C. Alfonso, *Essentials of WISC-V Assessment*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. Publication expected late Summer 2016.

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### Third Option - PSW \*



- Requires an understanding of contemporary theory
- Requires an understanding of the theoretical constructs that are measured by cognitive batteries
- Requires understanding of cognitive processes and abilities related to achievement
- May require cross-battery assessment to assess all the abilities and processes considered important based on referral and to follow up on aberrant test performances
- Requires understanding of what SLD is and is not

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# An Operational Definition of SLD Flanagan, Ortiz, Alfonso, and Mascolo

- Definition first presented in 2002
- Revised and updated in 2006
- Updated in 2007



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# An Operational Definition of SLD & Flanagan, Ortiz, Alfonso, and Mascolo &

- Revised and updated in 2011
- Updated and Renamed in 3e of Essentials of XBA3: Dual Discrepancy/Consistency (DD/C)
- Expanded in 2015 to Include Latest Tests (e.g., WJ IV) in X-BASS



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#### The Dual Discrepancy/Consistency (DD/C) Operational Definition of SLD

Level	Nature of SLD <sup>1</sup>	Focus of Evaluation	Examples of Evaluation Methods and Data Sources	Criteria for SLD	SLD Classification and Eligibility
I	Difficulties in one or more areas of academic achievement, including (but not limited to) <sup>2</sup> Basic Reading Skill, Reading Comprehension, Reading Fluency, Oral Expression, Listening Comprehension, Written Expression, Math Calculation, Math Problem Solving.	Academic Achievement: Performance in specific academic skills [e.g., Grew R reading decoding, reading fluency, reading comprehension; Grew V iepalling, written expression; Gq (math calculation, math problem solving; Gr. (communication ability, listening ability).	Response to quality instruction and intervention via progress monitoring, performance on norm-referenced, standardized achievement tests, evaluation of works samples, observations of academic performance, teacher parent student interview, history of academic performance, data from other members of Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) (e.g., speech-language pathologist, interventionist, reading specialist).	Performance in one or more academic areas is weak or adplicated (despite attempts at delivering quality instruction) as evidenced by converging data sources.	Necessary
п	SLD does not include a learning problem that is the result of visual, hearing, or motor disabilities; of intellectual disability; of social or emotional disturbance; or of environmental, educational, cultural, or economic disadvantage.	Exclusionary Factors: Identification of potential primary causes of academic skill weaknesses or deficits, including intellectual disability, cultural or linguistic difference, sensory impairment, insufficient instruction or opportunity to learn, organic or physical health factors, social/emotional or psychological disturbance.	Data from the methods and sources listed at Levels 1 and III. Behavior Rating Scales; medical records; pior evaluations; interview with current or past counselors, psychiatrists, etc.	Performance is not primarily attributed to these exclusionary factors, although one or more of them may contribute to learning difficulties. [Consider using the Exclusionary Factors Form, which may be downloaded from www.cossbattery.com.under "resources."]	
ш	A disorder in one or more of the basic psychological/neuro- psychological processes involved in understanding or in using language, spoken or written; such disorders are presumed to originate from central nervous system dysfunction.	Cognitive Abilities & Processes: Performance in cognitive abilities and processes (e.g., Gv, Ga, Gir, Gam, Gs.) specific neuropsychological processes (e.g., attention, executive functioning, orthographic processing, RAN, RAS) and learning efficiency (e.g., associative memory, meaningful memory).	Performance on nom-referenced tests, evaluation of work samples, observations of cognitive performance, task analysis, testing limits, teacher/parent/student interview, history of a cademic performance, records review.  Send questions to	Performance in one or more cognitive abilities and/or neuropsychological processes (related to academic skill deficiency) is weak or deficient <sup>2</sup> as evidenced by converging data sources.	

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#### The Dual Discrepancy/Consistency (DD/C) Operational Definition of SLD (Continued)

IV	The specific learning disability is a discrete condition differentiated from generalized learning failure by generally average or better ability to think and reason and a learning skill profile exhibiting significant variability, indicating processing areas of strength and weakness.	Pattern of Strengths and Weaknesses (PSW) Marked by a Dual-Discrepancy/Consistency (DD/C) Determination of whether academic skill weaknesses or deficits are related to specific cognitive area(s) of weakness or deficit; pattern of data reflects a below average aptitude-achievement consistency with otherwise average or better ability to think and reason.	Data gathered at all previous levels as well as any additional data following a review of initial evaluation results (e.g., data gathered for the purpose of hypothesis testing, data gathered via demand analysis and limits testing).	Circumscribed below average aptitude-achievement consistency (i.e., related cognitive processes and academic skills are generally about 15D below the mean or lower), circumscribed ability-achievement and ability-cognitive areas of strength represented by standard scores that are generally ≥90 (include SEM around score); clinical judgment supports the impression that the student's overall ability to think andreason will enable him or her to benefit from tailored or specialized instruction/intervention, compensatory strategies, and accommodations, such that his or her performance rate and level will likely approximate more typically achieving, non-disabled peers.  Use the Cross-Battery Assessment Software System (X-BASS; Otiz, Flanagan, & Alfonso, 2015) to conduct the PSW analysis.	Sufficient For SLD Identification
v	Specific learning disability has an adverse impact on educational performance.	Special Education Eligibility Determination of Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) for delivery of instruction and educational resources.	Data from all previous levels and MDT meeting, including parents.	Student demonstrates significant difficulties in daily academic activities that cannot be remediated, accommodated, or otherwise compensated for without the assistance of individualized special education services.	Necessary for Special Education Eligibility

This column includes concepts inherent in the federal definition (IDEA, 2004), Kavale, Spaulding, and Beam's (2009) definition, Hamison and Holmes' (2012) consensus definition, and other prominent definitions of SLD (see Sotelo-Dynega, Flanagan, & Alfonso, 2011 for a summany). Thus, all prominent SLD markers are included in this column.

Poor spelling with adequate ability to express ideas in writing is often typical of dyslexia and/or disgraphia. Even though IDEA 2004 includes only the broad category of written expression, poor spelling and handwriting are often symptomatic of a specific writing disability and should not be ignored (Wendling & Mather, 2009).

Weak performance is typically associated with standard scores in the \$3-89 range, whereas deficient performance is often associated with standard scores that are around 1SD below the mean or lower. Interpretations of weak or deficient performance based on standard scores that fall in these ranges are bolstered when they have ecological validity (e.g., when there is evidence that the abilities or processes identified as weak or deficient manifest in everyday classroom activities that require these abilities and processes).

4 The major specific learning disability may be a corompanied by secondary learning difficulties that also may be considered when they have planning the more intensive, individualized special education instruction directed at the primary problem. For information on linking "all sets of the content of the property of th

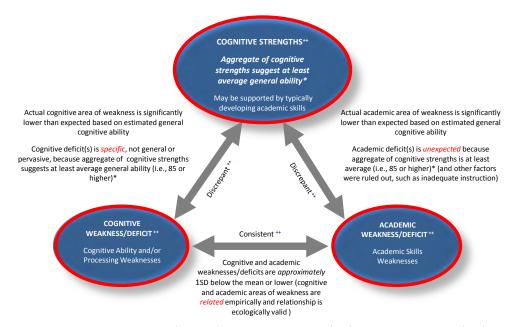
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### "Third Method" Alternative Research-Based Approaches to SLD Identification (PSW Methods)

- Cognitive academic approaches:
  - Flanagan, Oritz, Alfonso, & Mascolo (2002-Present)
    - Dual-Discrepancy/Consistency (within the context of an Operational Definition of SLD and a broader approach to "best practices" in CHCbased assessment) - automated in X-BASS
  - Naglieri, 1999, 2013
    - Discrepancy/Consistency (PASS Model; CAS-2 battery) battery specific
  - Hale & Fiorello, 2004, 2011
    - Concordance-discordance model (based on neuropsych theory within the context of an hypothesis testing approach) – not automated
  - Milt Dehn software (intra-individual analysis of 11 specific processes) – may be used as part of a PSW analysis
  - WISC-V two discrepancy comparisons for PSW automated in WIAT-III, KTEA-III scoring programs

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#### Conceptual Similarities Among Alternative Research-based (PSW) Approaches to SLD (



Sources: Flanagan, Ortiz, Alfonso, and Mascolo (2002, 2006); Flanagan, Ortiz, and Alfonso (2013); Flanagan, Fiorello, and Ortiz (2010)

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<sup>\*</sup>Unique to Flanagan et al. model (2007; 2013; 2015; 2016) Send questions to

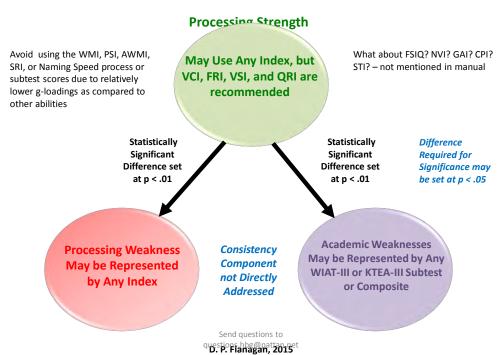
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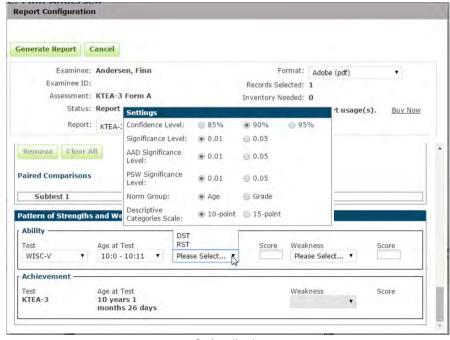
Methodological and Statistical Requirements for the PSW Analysis According to WISC-V Technical and Interpretive Manual (p. 183)

- The scores within each of the following comparisons must be significantly different (discrepant) to fit the model's criteria for SLD identification:
  - Processing strength vs. achievement weakness
  - Processing strength vs. processing weakness
- A third score comparison requiring consistency between the achievement weakness and the processing weakness is not included because it is not a statistical requirement of the model for identifying an SLD

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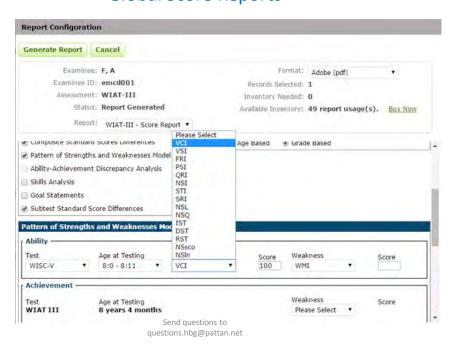
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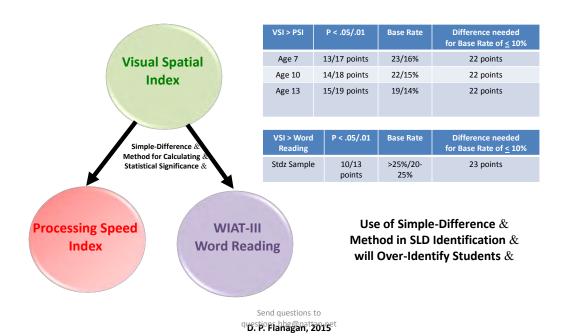


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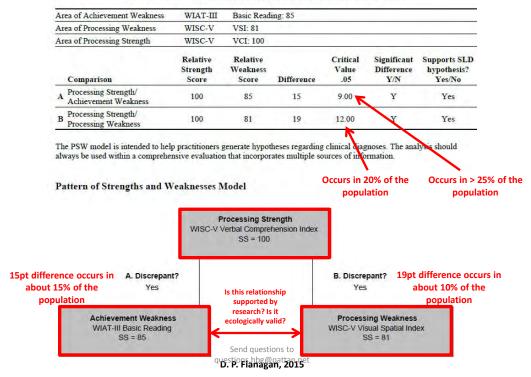
# Need KTEA-3 or WIAT-III to Conduct PSW Analysis via Q-Global Score Reports \*



### Third Method WISC-V PSW Model &



#### PATTERN OF STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES ANALYSIS



# Limitations of the PSW Model Recommended \* for Use with the WISC-V \*

- · Not theoretically driven
- No mention of NVI, GAI, CPI, and STI in the model
- Allows for VCI as a processing weakness, but VCI is Vocabulary Knowledge
- Because two subtests (e.g., VSI) can be used to represent a cognitive processing strength, SLD may be identified in students who have more pervasive cognitive weaknesses, not specific cognitive weaknesses
- Despite having completed 20-40 subtests, only three scores, or approximately 5-6 subtests are considered in the PSW analysis – what about everything else?
- Any score may be considered a weakness (e.g., a score of 105 may be considered a weakness for an individual who is in the superior range in some areas)
- Simple-difference method is not considered the best method for examining score differences for purposes of SLD determination
- Below Average Aptitude (Processing)-Achievement Consistency Component of PSW model is not directly addressed

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# Introduction and Functionality of the PSW-A Component of X-BASS \*

- Entering scores and interpreting output, step-by-step
- Guidance on selecting scores for entry into the program



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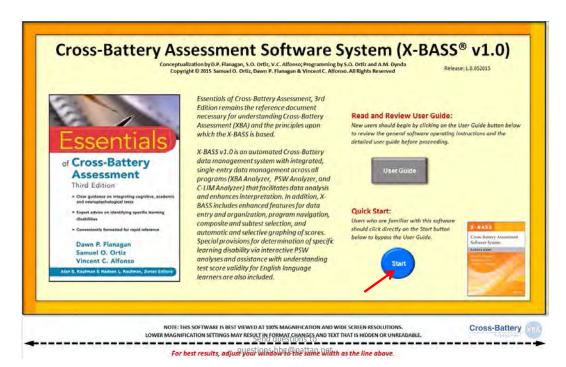


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### X-BASS Welcome Screen &





#### Cross-Battery Assessment Software System (X-BASS® v1.0)



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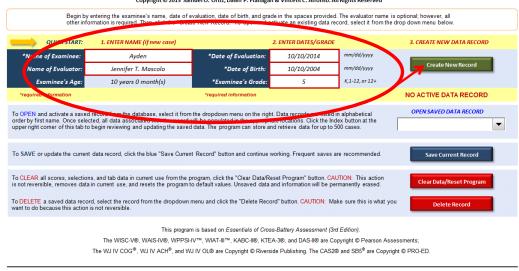


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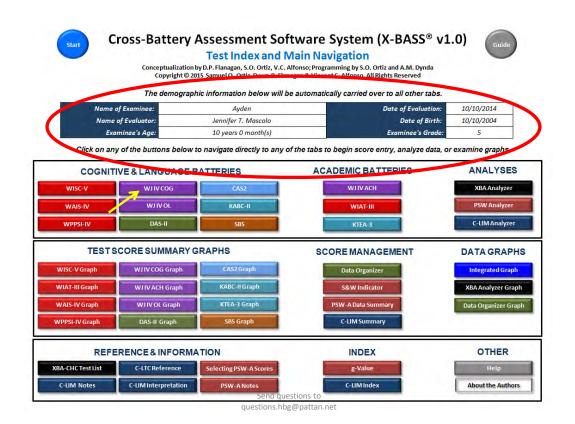
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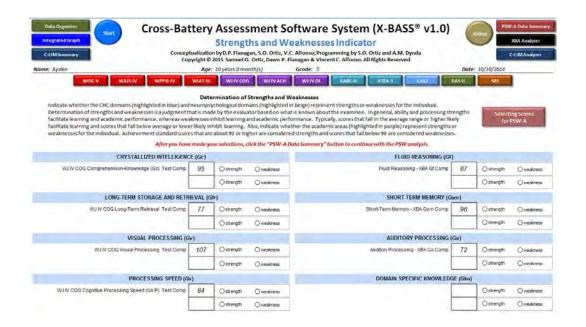
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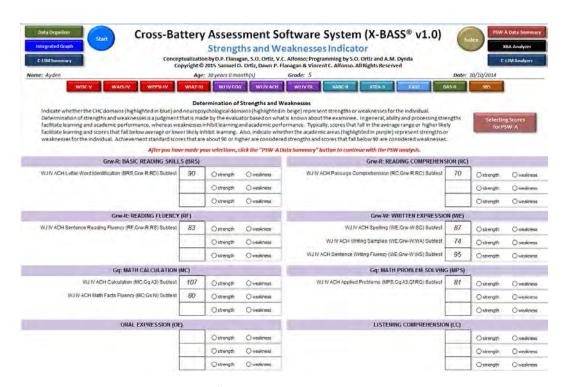
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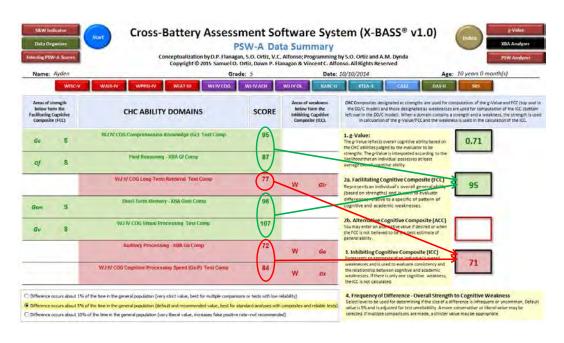
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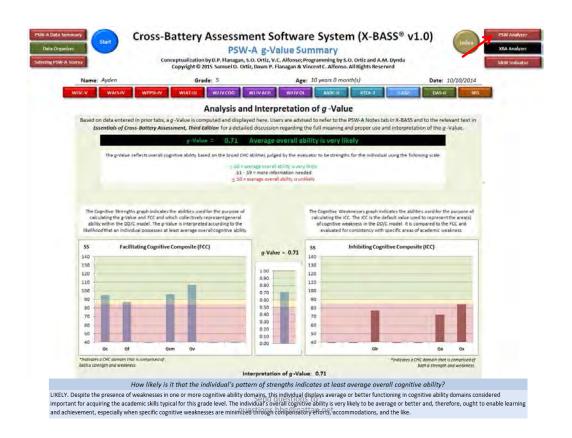
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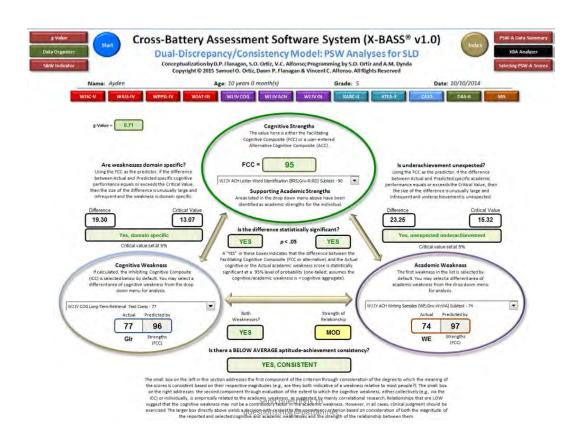


When determining academic areas of strength and weakness, consider other data sources, such as work samples, teacher/parent/student reports, Curriculum-based measures, etc.



**Note**: You may have a strength **and** a weakness within a broad ability domain (e.g., Glr:MA is a weakness and Glr:NA is a strength) – Glr:MA score would contribute to the ICC and Glr:NA score would contribute to the FCC





#### Flanagan and Colleagues' PSW Model Provides Information About Important Markers for SLD

- Overall cognitive ability is at least average despite specific cognitive processing weaknesses FCC (top oval)
- Specific cognitive processing weaknesses ICC or individual weaknesses as reported in bottom left oval
  - Weaknesses relative to most people (< 90)
  - Weaknesses because they are significantly lower than FCC
  - Weaknesses because difference between actual and predicted performance is unusual in the general population
  - SLD is specific, not general
- · Academic weaknesses as reported in bottom right oval
  - Weaknesses relative to most people (< 90)</li>
  - Weaknesses because they are significantly lower than FCC
  - Weaknesses because difference between actual and predicted performance is unusual in the general population
  - Unexpected underachievement
- May have academic areas of strength (reported in top oval as they are expected to be consistent with the FCC)
- Consistency between cognitive processing weakness (or weaknesses; e.g., ICC) and academic area
  of weakness (bottom two ovals)
  - Specific learning disabilities are caused by underlying cognitive processing weaknesses (i.e., cognitive
    deficits raise the risk of academic difficulties; causal is probabilistic not deterministic)
  - "Disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes" IDEIA'

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Manifestations of Cognitive Processing and Ability Weaknesses:
What is the Severity of Educational Impact? \*

#### Student's CHC Performance Test A General Test B Manifestations Test C Learner $\underline{\textbf{S}} trategies$ Cognitive **Abilities and Processes** Teacher Reading **T**echniques Parent **Specific** Math Manifestations **Broad Ability** Evidence-Definition based Programs Writing E-learning tools, Apps, Web-based **S**upports Narrow Ability Definitions Modifications Send guestions to Other Flanagan and Wascolo (2016)

#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS) &

### Severity of Educational Impact \*

(consistent with terminology used for Specific Learning Disorder in DSM-5; APA, 2013, p. 68)



- Substantial deficits in one or more academic areas and the student is not likely to acquire and develop those skills without individualized and specialized instruction (e.g., Tier III, special education) throughout schooling. Even with support services, these students may not be able to perform academic skills effectively or at grade level.
- Moderate marked difficulties in one or more academic areas and the student is not likely to become proficient without some intervals of specialized instruction (e.g., Tier II small group) throughout schooling. Support services may be needed across settings in order for activities involving the academic skills to be performed effectively.
- Minimal difficulty in one or two academic areas but the student is able to function well when provided with support services (e.g., accommodations).

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# The Assessment-Intervention \* Connection \*



#### Assessment

- General and Specific Manifestations of Cognitive

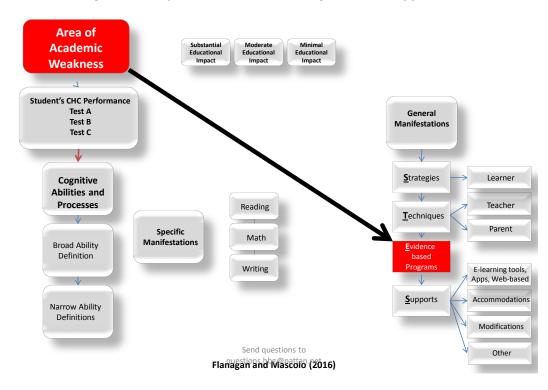
#### Intervention

- Evidence-based Interventions
- Compensatory Strategies for the Learner
- Techniques for Teachers and **Parents**
- Supports accommodations, modifications, e-learning tools, apps, web-based

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#### Evidence-based Interventions \*



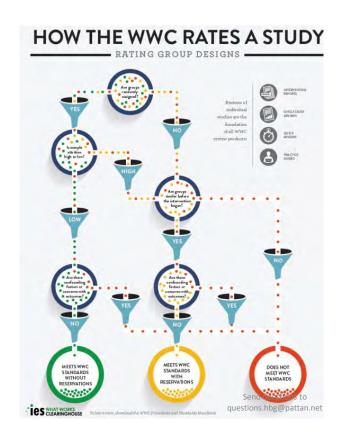
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### **Evidence-based Interventions**

• What Works Clearinghouse



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- •Are groups randomly assigned?
- •Is sample attrition high or low?
- •Are groups similar before the intervention began?
- •Are there confounding factors or concerns with outcomes?



# Evidence-based *Academic Interventions*Are Often Not Sufficient \*

- A student can learn to read and still struggle with learning in general
- Cognitive weaknesses may continue to interfere with the student's ability to access the curriculum in a manner similar to typically achieving peers

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# Why Cognitive Testing is Important

As Kaufman (1979, p. 14) famously quipped, "Intelligence test scores should result ultimately in killing the prediction." That is, the proper role of cognitive ability tests is to predict problems that never happen because skilled professionals, dedicated teachers, and loving parents make plans and labor long hours to prevent them.



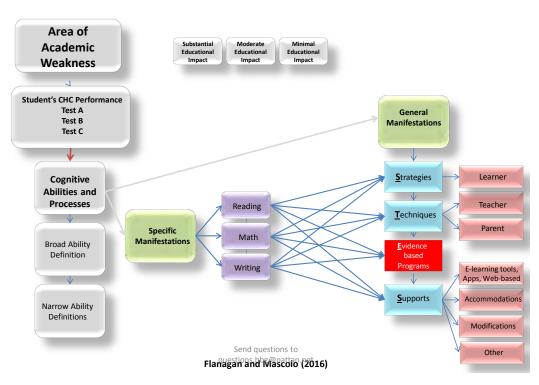
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# Strategies, Techniques, and Supports \*

Guided by General and Specific Manifestations \*

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#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)

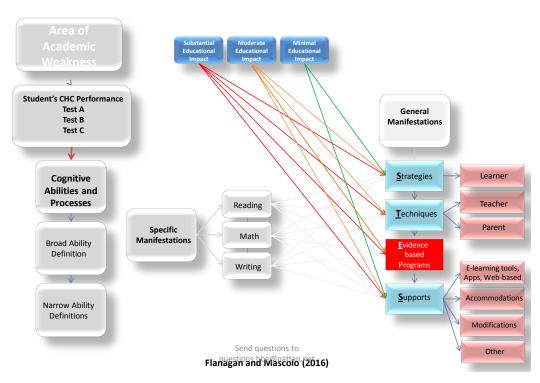


# Strategies, Techniques, and Supports \*

Guided by Degree of Educational Impact \*

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#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS)



### Compensatory Strategies for the Learner \*

- Provide the learner with procedures, techniques, and strategies to assist in bypassing or minimizing the impact of a cognitive or academic deficit.
  - Teaching the use of mnemonic devices
  - Organizational aids or techniques
  - Teaching a student to outline or use graphic organizers

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# Techniques for Teachers \*

- Techniques for teachers are methods or ways
   of teaching or interacting with students to
   assist in bypassing or minimizing the impact of
   a cognitive or academic deficit.
  - Organizing cooperative learning groups
  - Providing targeted feedback
  - Extending upon student's language in conversation

# **Techniques for Parents**

- Parent techniques are ways of teaching or interacting with children to assist in bypassing or minimizing the impact of a cognitive or academic deficit and/or to support schoolbased learning.
  - Providing naturalistic learning opportunities (e.g., "Learning through Living")
  - Supporting/Monitoring use of learned strategies
  - Configuring one's environment (physical environment, routines) to support learning

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## **Supports**

- Modification: Changes content of material to be taught or measured. Changes the depth, breadth, and complexity of learning and measurement goals. For example: \*
  - Reducing the amount of material that a student is \* required to learn \*
  - Simplifying test instructions and content or the \* material to be learned \*
- Accommodation: changes conditions under which learning occurs or is measured, but does not change or reduce learning or assessment expectations. For example: \*
  - Extending time on exams
  - Providing separate room to work
  - Aligning math problems vertically, as opposed to horizontally \*



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# Supports \*

#### e-learning tools

 Instructional tools/content delivered via electronic media, typically the internet (e.g., interactive textbooks, digital videobased lessons)

#### (Learning) Apps

 Specialized programs typically downloaded to an electronic mobile device that provide an interactive learning experience on a specific skill or subject (e.g., arithmetic, geography, spelling)

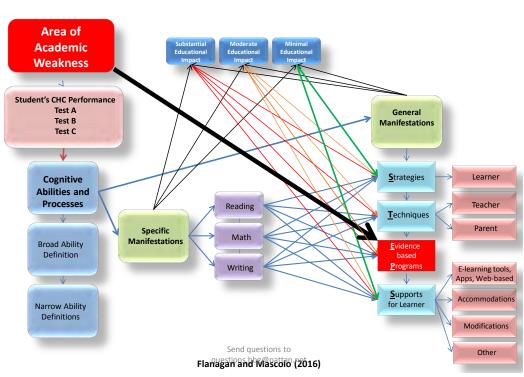
#### Web-based programs

 Instructional content delivered via the web that is typically aimed at remediating a specific skill deficit or providing practice with a skill (e.g., My Virtual Reading Coach ®, Earobics ®, CogMed ®).

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#### Strategies, Techniques, Evidence-based Programs, and Supports (STEPS) &



# Prior to Planning, Selecting, and \* Tailoring Interventions, it is \* Necessary to Understand the Confines of the Case \*

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#### Factors to Consider \*

- Student
  - Age (developmental appropriateness)
  - Interests
  - Motivation
  - Skill Level/Ability (e.g., keyboarding skills)
  - Social Factors (e.g., discrete intervention/support versus open intervention)

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#### Factors to Consider \*

#### Parent

- Motivation
- Availability
- Skill Level/Ability
- Financial Resources
- Physical Resources (e.g., computer, iPad®)



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Source: Adapted from Mascolo, 2008 S.M.A.R.T. Approach

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#### Factors to Consider \*

#### Teacher

- Motivation
- Instructional Style/Preferences
- Instructional Techniques Used
- Skill Level/Ability
- Available Resources
- Relationship with Student



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#### Factors to Consider \*

#### "Other" Factors

- Current Environment
  - Physical layout (e.g., seating arrangements)
  - Resources (e.g., strategy posters, word walls, computers)

 Composition of class (e.g., number of students, gender, ability level)



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#### **Factors to Consider**

#### • "Other" Factors

- Curricular Environment
  - Textbooks used
  - Instructional materials (e.g., worksheets)
  - In-school versus at-home materials (e.g., practice books)





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#### **Factors to Consider**

#### "Other" Factors

- General Education Resources
  - After-school supports (e.g., homework club)
  - Peer support (e.g., reading buddy, peer tutors)
  - Materials (e.g., extra set of books; learning aids)

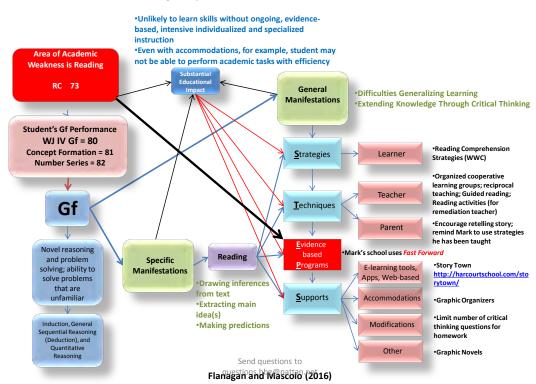




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#### Mark: Grade 3; Referral: Reading Comprehension



#### Area of Academic Weakness

- Basic Reading Skills SS = 92
- Reading Fluency SS = 90
- Reading Comprehension SS = 73

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# Area of Cognitive Weakness

- Mark's Gf Performance
  - WJ IV Gf SS = 80
  - Concept Formation SS = 81
  - Number Series SS = 82
  - WISC-V Similarities = 7 (Vocabulary = 10)
  - D-KEFS Twenty Questions Test = 84

#### **General Manifestations**

Difficulties Generalizing Learning

#### **Parent Report**

- Mark is always saying, "I didn't learn it yet" when he is doing homework
- Extending Knowledge Through Critical Thinking

#### **Teacher Report**

 Mark has "trouble thinking on his own." He always needs multiple explanations and even with examples, he seems lost

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# **Specific Manifestations**

- · Drawing inferences from text
- Extracting main idea(s)
- Making predictions

#### **Work Sample Review**

3 of 4 end of chapter multiple-choice questions answered incorrectly. Review revealed a *prediction* error, an *explanatory* error (could not select the correct reason "why" something occurred), and a *thematic* error (could not identify chapter's topic)

#### **Classroom Observation (School Psychologist)**

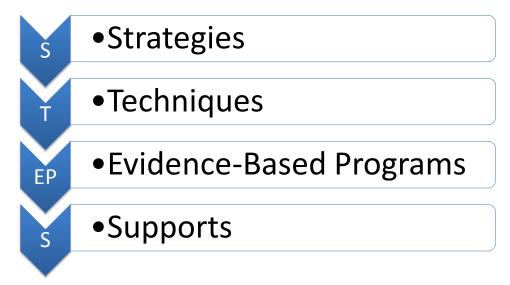
Mark was *unable to make a reasonable prediction* during a class read-aloud (e.g., class was reading a story about a stray dog and when Mark was asked what would likely happen next when the dog catcher's van arrived, he said, "the family will find him.")

# Degree of Educational Impact is Considered Substantial \*

- Academic deficit in Reading Comprehension
- · Main area of cognitive deficit: Gf
- General and specific manifestations identified by parent, teacher, school psychologist
  - Unlikely to learn skills without ongoing, evidence-based, intensive individualized and specialized instruction
  - Even with accommodations, for example, Mark may not be able to perform academic tasks with efficiency
- Maximum breadth of intervention considered necessary

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#### STEPS \*



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We know deficit is manifesting in general and specifically... and the educational impact is substantial...now what can we do

# Strategies: Learner

Reading Comprehension Strategies (WWC)



http://ies.ed.gov/ncee/wwwc/PracticeGuide.aspx?sid=14

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Table 2. Recommendations and corresponding levels of evidence

	Levels of Evidence							
Recommendation	Minimal Evidence	Moderate Evidence	Strong Evidence					
Teach students how to use reading comprehension strategies.			*					
Teach students to identify and use the text's organizational structure to comprehend, learn, and remember content.		•						
<ol> <li>Guide students through focused, high-quality discussion on the meaning of text.</li> </ol>	•							
Select texts purposefully to support comprehension development.	*							
<ol><li>Establish an engaging and motivating context in which to teach reading comprehension.</li></ol>								

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# Strategies: Learner

- Reading Comprehension Strategies (WWC)
  - 1. Activating prior knowledge or predicting
  - 2. Questioning
  - 3. Visualization
  - 4. Monitoring, clarifying, or fix-up
  - 5. Inference
  - 6. Retelling

# **Examples of Effective Reading Comprehension Strategies**

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Effective Strategy	Activities to Promote Strategy Practice <sup>29</sup>						
Activating Prior Knowledge/ Predicting  Students think about what they already know and use that knowledge in conjunction with other clues to construct meaning from what they read or to hypothesize what will happen next in the text. It is assumed that students will continue to read to see if their predictions are correct.  Questioning  Students develop and attempt to answer questions about the important ideas in the text while reading, using words such as where or why to develop their questions.		now they decided on their prediction, which encourage:					
		Put words that are used to formulate questions (e.g., where, why) on index cards, and distribute to students.     Have students, in small groups, ask questions using these words.					

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# Examples of Effective Reading Comprehension Strategies &

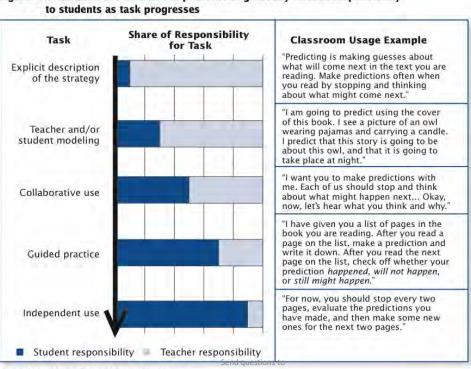
<b>Effective Strategy</b>	Description	Activities to Promote Strategy Practice <sup>29</sup>				
Visualizing	Students develop a mental image of what is described in the text.	Explain to students that visualizing what is described in the text will help them remember what they read.     Have students examine objects placed in front of them, and later a picture depicting a scene. Remove the objects and picture, and ask students to visualize and describe what they saw.     Read a sentence and describe what you see to the students Choose sections from the text and ask students to practice visualizing and discussing what they see.				
Monitoring, Clarifying, and Fix Up	Students pay attention to whether they understand what they are reading, and when they do not, they reread or use strategies that will help them understand what they have read.	<ol> <li>Relate each strategy to a traffic sign (e.g., stop sign—stop reading and try to restate in your own words what is happening in the text; U-turn—reread parts of the text that do not make sense).</li> <li>Write different reading comprehension strategies on cards with their signs, and have students work in pairs to apply the strategies to text they do not understand.</li> </ol>				

## **Examples of Effective Reading Comprehension Strategies** &

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Drawing Inferences	Students generate information that is important to constructing meaning but that is missing from, or not explicitly stated in, the text.	1. Teach students how to look for key words that help them understand text, and demonstrate how they can draw inferences from such words. For example, a teacher might show that a passage that mentions "clowns" and "acrobats" is probably taking place in a circus.  2. Identify key words in a sample passage of text and explain what students can learn about the passage from those words.				
Summarizing/ Retelling  Students briefly describe, ora or in writing, the main points what they read.		Ask a student to describe the text in his or her own words to a partner or a teacher.      If a student has trouble doing this, ask questions such as "What comes next?" or "What else did the passage say about [subject]?"				

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Figure 1. Illustration of instructional practices to gradually release responsibility to students as task progresses



Source: Adapted from Duke and Pearson (2002). Note: Teachers should modify these examples to best suit students' age and abilities. 36

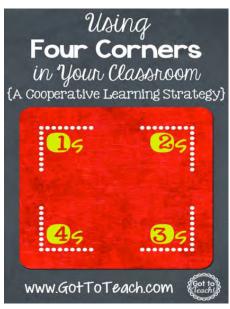
# Techniques: Teacher \*

- Classroom Teacher
  - Organized cooperative learning groups
  - Reciprocal teaching (e.g., reading)
- Remediation Teacher
  - Guided Reading
  - Additional Reading Practice (e.g., Main idea)

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# Cooperative Learning Groups \*



- · How It Works:
- Choose four aspects of a topic that your class is currently focusing on.
- Assign each of these aspects to a corner (or an area) of your room.
- Present the topic and the four related aspects to the whole group and give the students some "think time."
- Students can then choose a corner to discuss the topic.
- Representatives from each corner can share what their respective groups discussed.



#### Reciprocal Prompt Cards include:

The Boss
The Predictor
The Questioner
The Clarifier
The Summariser

The Boss. Decides who will do each job, introduces the text and makes sure everyone is joining in.

The Predictor.

Makes logical
predictions. Uses
information in the text
& personal
experiences to
predict where the text

The Clarker

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The Questioner

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When:
What is:
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Reciprocal Reading Groups: Assign a Role 39

#### The Questioner.

is going.

Thinks what do you know, need to know or would like to know. Who, what, where, why, then, how, what if, will...?

The Clarifier. Identifies confusing words, sentences and ideas. How can these be solved?

The Summariser. Identifies the most important ideas in the text The problem was...

The resolution was...

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#### Guided Reading (for Remedial Reading Teacher)

#### Guided Oral Reading

- Guided oral reading is an instructional strategy that can help students improve a variety of reading skills, including fluency.
- Example: the teacher reads with the student and then asks the student guided questions about the passage read.



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Source: http://www.readingrockets.org/article/what-guided-oral-reading

#### The Gf Connection to Reading Comprehension &

Work on developing *specific comprehension skills*. This often involves questions and discussing the material as they read along. The depth of comprehension skills increases as the student becomes older and their skills advance. Beginning comprehension is having the student simply pay attention to what they are reading. The higher level comprehension skills have the student thinking about deeper questions such as 'why did this happen', and inferring 'what do I think this means'

Source: http://www.righttrackreading.com/guidedreading.html

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#### Guided reading questions

Here are a few questions teachers can ask during guided reading sessions to help students uncover the meaning of unknown words.

During the guided reading session, the teacher should have these question stems available when students find a word they don't know the meaning of. The teacher pauses the reading and chooses the appropriate question to ask.

"What do you think the word means considering (a certain action or event) has happened?

"How do you know that the word means (insert definition)?"

"What part of the text helps you make this inference?"

"Where can you find other clues to help you understand?"

"If you substitute what you think is a similar word, would the sentence still make sense?"







Reading Activities:
Main Idea Worksheet

Source: http://www.k12reader.com/worksheet/findsthe-main-idea-dolphins/view/

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# Techniques: Parent

- Encourage story retelling
- Remind Mark to use the strategies he has been taught \*







#### **Guided Retelling Ideas:**

- 1. Pick a category
- 2. Ask questions
- 3. Extend upon information given
- 4. Provide cues/prompts
- Model retelling for a category

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#### Parent Tips to Facilitate Comprehension/Thinking

- . Ask a question about what he has already read (to themselves, or to you).
- . Infer what is going on or might happen, based on what they already know and what they have read.
- · Make a connection:
  - . Make a text-to-text connection where he relates this book to another he has read.
  - Make a text-to-world connection where he relates the book to an experience going on in our
    world (e.g., truffula trees being chopped down and our own struggles with deforestation).
  - Make a text-to-self connection where he relates the book to himseld or an experience he has had (e.g., remembering a time he was not listened to, even when he knew better than the other person).
- Visualize: Encourage your child to create a mental image or play the scene like a movie in her head
- . Evaluate: Determine the importance of characters, events, or details.
- Synthesize information means taking information you learn along the way and combining it with the information you know.
- · Other tips:
  - Make a prediction.
  - Take the character's perspective or relate to the character's feeling.
  - Read it like a sentence. If your child reads haltingly, have them re-read the same sentence to get the fluency (and confidence!) aspect of reading. It's hard to comprehend disjointed sentences.

 $\underline{\text{http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/developing-reading-skills/reading-comprehension-and-decoding-strategies} \\$ 

Increase parent awareness about HOW to do it

## Evidence-based Programs \*

Support all children in meeting challenging state academic standards and improve state test scores with the Fast ForWord LANGUAGE Series. Provide extra academic support and learning opportunities in reading and language for struggling students, including at-risk students, ELL students, and special education students.



#### Fast ForWord Language v2

Develops listening accuracy, phonological awareness, and language structures and moves elementary students who are reading below grade level toward grade level reading skills.



#### Fast ForWord Language to Reading v2

Emphasizes the link between spoken and written language to guide young students to become proficient grade level readers.



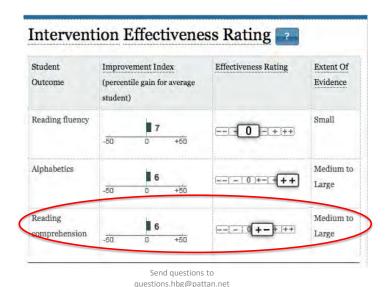
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# Fast ForWord: Frequency, Intensity, Duration \$

#### Program Description

Fast ForWord® is a computer-based reading program intended to help students develop and strengthen the cognitive skills necessary for successful reading and learning. The program, which is designed to be used 30–100 minutes a day, 5 days a week, for 4–16 weeks, includes three series. The Fast ForWord® Language series and the Fast ForWord® Literacy series aim to build cognitive skills such as memory, attention, processing, and sequencing. They also strive to build language and reading skills, including listening accuracy, phonological awareness, and knowledge of language structures. The Fast ForWord® to Reading series (also known as the Fast ForWord® Reading series) aims to increase processing efficiency and further improve reading skills such as sound–letter associations, phonological awareness, word recognition, knowledge of English language conventions, vocabulary, and comprehension. The program is designed to adapt the nature and difficulty of the content based on individual student's responses.

# Fast ForWord: *Effectiveness* \$



Extending Intervention through Technology \*

Fast ForWord has always been at the forefront of technology, helping millions of children and adults improve their language, reading and cognitive skills through computerized learning. Now it can reach even more – through the iPad®, the tablet that makes content accessible to learners of all ages and abilities.

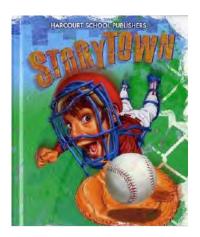


#### New for iPad!

- More engaging, more accessible: Touch-screen technology and bright, animated graphics make it easier to captivate Kindergarten and high school learners alike.
- More portable: Want to use Fast ForWord in the front of the classroom...At home...In the library? Or all three? iPad portability allows you and your learners to use Fast FerWord wherever you want, whenever you want.
- . More functional: with a username and password, students can access their

# Supports: E-learning tools, Apps, Web-based \*

 Story Town http://harcourtschool.com/storytown

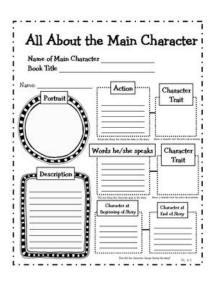




# Supports: Accommodation

Graphic Organizers

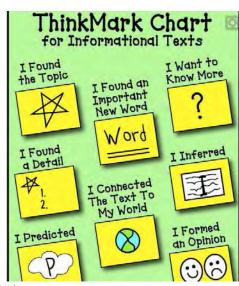




Helping RC by making Mark an active and happet thoughtful reader...guiding his thinking

# **Supports: Modification**

- Limit number of critical thinking questions for homework or create tailored critical thinking activities
- Have Mark pick two Critical thinking activities each night



# Supports: Other \*

- Graphic Novels
  - Pictures
  - Using a technique similar to comic books, graphic novels use visuals to guide the story, adding text only to fill in the gaps.
  - More complex than picture books
  - Can be read with an adult or independently, and are especially good for struggling or reluctant readers.

Source: http://www.readingrockets.org/booklist/graphic-novels

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# Supports: Other \*

- Graphic Novels
- Top 10 Graphic Novels for 3rd Grade 9 Year
   Old Boy (http://www.pragmaticmom.com/2013/06/graphic-novels-for-3rd-grade/)









# Summary of Services for Mark \*

- Wrap Around Support
  - Learner (Mark's reading comprehension strategies)
  - Parent supports his reading (e.g., parent check-in via retell)
  - Engaging classroom teacher by capitalizing on what she already does, but encouraging pairing with strong students, *peer models* for making predictions, etc.
  - Including remedial teacher (e.g., take existing program and tell her what aspects of the intervention are important for Mark; extend to iPad)
  - Capitalizing on his *curricular materials* (e.g., Storytown support)
  - Modifying homework in a meaningful way
  - Addressed motivation for reading via graphic novels
- All Supports selected based on how Gf deficits manifest in general (i.e., overall learning) but also more specifically (i.e., reading comprehension) \*

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# **Summary and Conclusions \***

- Specific cognitive ability and processing weaknesses interfere with learning in general and with acquisition and development of academic skills in particular
- Cognitive ability and processing weaknesses manifest in real-world performances, specifically academic performance in the classroom, in predictable ways
- Understanding the manifestations of cognitive weaknesses provides specific targets for intervention
- Evidence-based academic programming/instruction is the primary means of intervening with students who have specific academic skill weaknesses – but, it is often insufficient as the sole means of addressing a student's overall learning needs
- Data from a comprehensive evaluation that includes cognitive assessment informs intervention planning
- The STEPS approach (<u>S</u>trategies, <u>T</u>echniques, <u>E</u>vidence-based <u>P</u>rograms and <u>S</u>upports) was described as a means of ensuring wrap around services for students who struggle academically, with particular emphasis on services that address the student's areas of cognitive weaknesses and the severity of the educational impact of those weaknesses
- While academic achievement data provide information to assist in selecting appropriate academic interventions, cognitive assessment data assist in understanding how those interventions may need to be tailored for the student
- Cognitive assessment data demonstrate what abilities and processes may obstruct
  or constrain learning. This knowledge leads to the development or selection of
  accommodations, instructional/curricular modifications, and compensatory
  strategies that minimize these effects; thereby allowing the student greater access
  to the curriculum

# Cognitive Tests Are Important \*

- "If these tests will give us a basis from which we can start to understand a child's difficulties, they will have justified the time spent on them.
   Anything which helps educators or parents to understand any phase of development or lack of development is of immeasurable value" (p. 189).
- Source: Stranger, M. A. & Donohue, E. K. (1937).
   Prediction and prevention of reading difficulties.
   New York, NY: Oxford University Press.

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## Cognitive Tests Are Important \*

"At the current state of scientific knowledge, it is only through a comprehensive evaluation of a student's cognitive and psychological abilities and processes that insights into the underlying proximal and varied root causes of [academic] difficulties can be ascertained and then specific interventions be provided targeted to each student's individual needs, a process long advocated"





Reynolds and Shaywitz (2009) and questions to questions.hbg@pattan.net

## Cognitive Tests Are Important \*

- Why do some children fail to respond?
  - Perhaps because interventions are being applied "blindly" as a one size fits all method without understanding whether or not specific cognitive deficits exist
- A neuropsychological process that is important to reading skills development is working memory – it is a crucial process for early reading recognition and later reading comprehension. One must assess it if one is to develop the most appropriate method of intervention (Teeter et al., 1997).
- Given the findings from the neuroimaging and neruopsychological fields of
  deficient performance on measures of working memory, processing speed,
  auditory processing ability, and executive functions, evaluation of these skills is
  necessary to determine the most appropriate program to fit the individual child's
  need.

Semrud-Clikeman (2005)

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## Cognitive Tests Are Important \*

 The danger with not paying attention to individual differences is that we will repeat the current practice of simple assessments in curricular materials to evaluate a complex learning process and to plan for interventions with children and adolescents with markedly different needs and learning profiles (Semrud-Clikeman, 2005).

#### The Value of Assessing Cognitive Abilities and Processes...

Even if a student never enters the special education system, the general education teacher, the student's parents, and the student him- or herself would receive valuable information regarding why there was such a struggle in acquiring academic content, to the point of possibly needing special education

#### Kavale, Holdnack, & Mostert (2005, p. 12)

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Before we protest too much that we are not testers and that we decline such restrictive roles, let us remember our heritage, and our roots in the schools, and let us remember also that the well trained school psychologists should be the most skilled of anyone on a school staff in conducting thorough psychological and psychoeducational assessments. Rather than abandoning the testing role to others who will gladly assume the burden and perform the role, less thoroughly, less competently, and less expensively, we need to demonstrate to educators and parents the importance and value of thorough assessment conducted by competent school psychologists (Trachtman, 1979; p. 386). \$