

Woodcock-Johnson Tests of Cognitive Abilities

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The Woodcock-Johnson Tests of Cognitive Abilities is a set of intelligence tests first developed in 1977 by Woodcock and Johnson. It was revised in 1989 and again in 2001; this last version is commonly referred to as WJ-III. They may be administered to children from age two right up to the oldest adults (with norms utilizing individuals in their 90s). WJ-III is praised for covering "a wide variety of cognitive skills."

Content of the tests

There are 12 tests in the Standard Battery, and an additional 12 in the Extended Battery, allowing for a considerably detailed analysis of cognitive abilities. The Cattell-Horn-Carroll theory factors that this test examines are: Comprehension-Knowledge, Long-Term Retrieval, Visual-Spatial Thinking, Auditory Processing, Fluid Reasoning, Processing Speed, Short-Term Memory and Quantitative Knowledge and Reading-Writing Ability. A General Intellectual Ability (GIA) or Brief Intellectual Ability (BIA) may be obtained.