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An IQ test is an **assessment** that measures a range of cognitive abilities and provides a **score** that is intended to serve as a measure of an individual's intellectual abilities and potential. IQ tests are among the most commonly **administered** psychological tests.

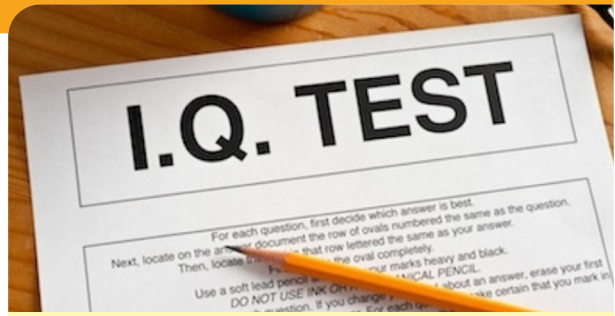
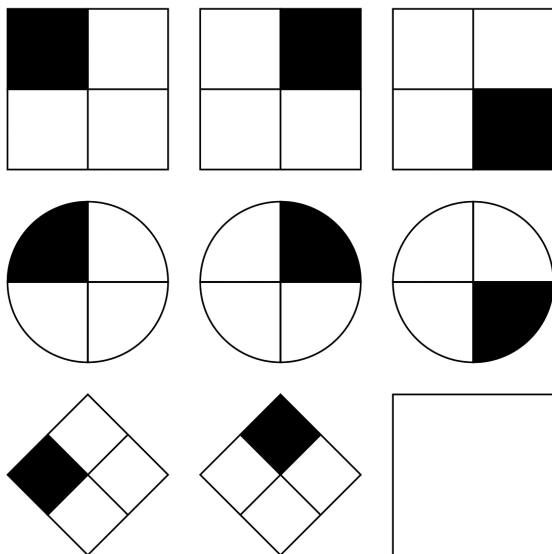
Today, many tests are standardised and scores are derived by comparing individual performance against the **norms** for the individual's age group.

Types of IQ tests

There are a number of different intelligence tests. Some are used with adults, but many are specifically designed to be administered to children.

Some commonly used intelligence tests include:

- Cognitive Assessment System
- Kaufman Assessment **Battery** for Children
- Stanford-Binet Intelligence Scale
- Universal Nonverbal Intelligence Test
- Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale
- Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children
- Woodcock-Johnson Tests of Cognitive Abilities.



to administer:

somministrare

assessment:

valutazione

battery: batteria di test

to focus: focalizzare,

concentrarsi

processing:

elaborazione

norm: norma, regola

range: gamma

placement: collocamento,

piazzamento

score: punteggio

Uses

IQ tests can be used for a wide **range** of purposes including:

- educational assessment and **placement**
- assessment and diagnosis of intellectual disability
- cognitive research
- job candidate evaluation
- assessing cognitive abilities including memory, speed and attention.

Modern intelligence tests often **focus** on abilities such as mathematical skills, memory, spatial perception and language abilities. The capacity to see relationships, solve problems, and remember information are important components of intelligence, so these are often the skills on which IQ tests focus.

What is tested

An IQ test measures abilities in the following areas:

- language skills
- mathematical abilities
- memory
- **processing** speed
- reasoning abilities
- visual-spatial processing.

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