#### Intelligence redefined as PASS Neurocognitive Abilities using the CAS2

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#### **Core Groups**

- ➢Groups of 3-5
- Introduce yourself to the group
- ≻Establish roles:
- <u>C</u>oach
- Organizer (keeps time)
- <u>R</u>ecorder
- <u>E</u>nergizer
- > Why is it important to think and learn in groups?

#### "Just Think!"



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- What do we mean Just think?
- Thinking has many names
- Metacognition, executive function, mindfulness, cognitive processing, IQ, intelligence, attention, reasoning, problem solving, memory etc.
- Psychologists have used these terms when defining thinking -- especially intelligence
- ➢We need to reflect on the concept of IQ and intelligence to define how to THINK SMART

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#### **Origins of Traditional IQ**

- ➢On July 20, 1917 the authors concluded that the Army Alpha and Beta tests could
  - "aid in segregating and eliminating the mentally incompetent, classify men according to their mental ability; and assist in selecting competent men for responsible positions" (p. 19, Yerkes, 1921).
- Thus, July 20, 1917 is the birth date of the verbal, quantitative, nonverbal IQ test format --Traditional groups and individually administered IQ tests are more than 100 years OLD!



#### 1920 Army Testing > Army Beta > Army Alpha Synonym- Antonym Maze Disarranged Sentences Cube Imitation Number Series Cube Construction Arithmetic Problems Digit Symbol Analogies Pictorial Completion Information Geometrical Construction Verbal & Nonverbal Quantitative

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#### Army Mental Tests → Picture Arrangement & Block Design (wisc-v) Test 9.—Picture Arrangement E. presents demonstrational set and allows 8. to see it for about 15 seconds. Then, making sure that 8 is attending, he slowly rearranges the pictures and points to each one in succes-

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### How did the US Army tests become IQ Tests?

Because of David Wechsler

#### **Origins of Traditional IQ**

- In May of 1918 a 22 year-old David Wechsler administered the Alpha and Beta (Yerkes, 1921, p. 40) at Camp Logan in Texas
- He made a version of the Army tests for use by clinical psychologists
- He contacted the Psychological Corporation, and spoke to ....



#### Army Alpha and Beta

- > The Army Alpha (Verbal & Quantitative) tests became Wechsler's Verbal IQ scale
- > The Army Beta (visual-spatial) tests became Wechsler's Performance IQ, which is now referred to as Nonverbal
- > Did this mean Wechsler believed in Verbal and Nonverbal intelligences?

#### What a Nonverbal Test Measures (Naglieri, Brulles, & Lansdown, 2008)

Telping All Gifted Children Learn: A Teacher's Guide to Using the NNAT2

It is important to understand that even though Wechsler's intelligence (IQ) tests were organized into verbal and nonverbal sections, he did not mean that verbal and nonverbal are different types of ability. Wechsler (1958) explicitly stated that the organization of subtests into verbal and performance scales did *not* indicate that two distinctive types of intelligence were being measured. In fact, he

#### What a Nonverbal Test Measures (Naglieri, Brulles, & Lansdown, 2008)

wrote: "the subtests are *different measures of* intelligence, not measures of different kinds of intelligence" (p. 64). Similarly, Naglieri (2003) further clarified that "the term nonverbal refers to the content of the test, not a type of ability" (p. 2). Thus, tests may differ in their content or specific demands, but still measure the concept of general intelligence.



#### Wechsler's Definition Definition of intelligence does not mention verbal or nonverbal abilities: "The aggregate or global capacity of the individual to act purposefully, to think rationally, and to deal effectively with his environment (1939)"

#### Verbal Nonverbal Intelligence?

- Verbal / Nonverbal is a practical division
- Advantages of Verbal tests
  - they correlate with achievement because they have achievement in them
- Information, Vocabulary, Arithmetic Advantages of Nonverbal Tests
- they correlate with achievement without having achievement in them
- > Why NONVERBAL ?

#### 1927 Army Testing METHODS AND RESULTS <sup>19</sup> Men who fail in alpha are sent to beta in order that injustice by reason of relative unfamiliarity with English may be avoided. Men who fail in beta are referred for individual examination by means of what may appear to be the most suitable and altogether appropriate procedure among the varied methods available. This reference for careful individual examination is yet another attempt to avoid injustice either by reason of linguistic handicap or accidents incident to group examining. Note there is no mention of measuring verbal and nonverbal intelligences – it was a social justice issue.



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### Are Verbal IQ test items different from achievement test items?

The answer may surprise you...



#### VIQ is Achievement - Vocabulary What does scared Someone who is glad is mean? (a) tall (The child answers orally) (b) proud (c) happy (d) alone Wechsler or Binet Stanford Achievement Vocabulary item Test Reading Vocabulary presented orally by the examiner:

#### **VIQ is Achievement - Arithmetic** "A boy had Peter counted seventeen twelve books lily pads at the pond. and sold five. There were frogs sitting How many books did he on five of the lily pads, and the rest were empty. have left?" How many lily pads were empty? Stanford-Binet 5<sup>th</sup> Ed. (a) 22 (b) 13 (c) 12 Quantitative items Stanford Achievement Test Math item



#### Myth of Verbal IQ - Conclusions

- The lack of a clear distinction between ability and achievement tests has corrupted the very concept of "verbal ability"
- A child who does not have an adequately enriched educational experience will be at disadvantage when assessed with so-called Verbal and Quantitative reasoning "ability" tests

#### **Poverty and Test Scores**

- Children from homes with limited enrichment receive low test scores because of unequal opportunity to learn
- Too many minority students are penalized on traditional tests of intelligence leading to underand over-representation
- Many children with Specific Learning Disabilities do poorly on Verbal and Quantitative tests because of school failure and get LOW IQs

#### **Minority Representation**

- The over-representation of minorities in special education is a significant problem (Naglieri & Rojahn, 2000).
- There is under-representation of minorities in gifted (Ford, 1998).
  - Black, Hispanic, and Native American students by 50% to 70% (U.S. Dept of Education, 1993)



#### CASE STUDY: ALEJANDRO (C.A. 7-0 GRADE 1)

#### **REASON FOR REFERRAL**

#### >Academic:

- Could not identify letters/sounds
- October 2013: Could only count to 39
- All ACCESS scores of 1
- ➢ Behavior:
  - Difficulty following directions
  - Attention concerns
  - Refusal/defiance









# Alejandro and PASS (by Dr. Otero) Alejandro is not a slow learner. He has good scores in basic psychological processes: Simultaneous = 96 and Planning = 102 He has a "disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes" Attention = 67 and Successive = 84

And he has academic failure which equals an SLD determination.









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Planning	92.6	13.1	92.6	13.4	.00	.96	.97	
Simultaneous	89.0	12.8	93.0	13.7	30	.90	.93	
Attention	94.8	13.9	95.1	13.9	02	.98	.98	
Successive	78.0	13.1	83.1	12.6	40	.82	.89	
Full Scale	84.6	13.6	87.6	13.8	22	.96	.97	

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CAS composite scales									
Planning	97.7	13.4	809	100.5	15.4	1,174	18.1	<.01	-0.19
Simultaneous	103.0	13.9	809	101.1	14.1	1,174	9.3	<.01	0.14
Attention	104.2	13.7	809	100.6	14.4	1,174	32.2	<.01	0.26
Successive	99.0	12.5	809	100.5	14.5	1,174	5.1	.02	-0.11
Full Scale	100.9	12.9	809	100.5	14.8	1.174	2.3	.13	0.03



#### Naglieri & Rojahn (2001)

- White children earned the same mean scores on WISC-III and CAS
- Black children earned lower VIQ than PIQ scores due to language / achievement tasks
- Black children earned higher scores on CAS than whites
- Fewer Black children would be identified as having intellectual disability using CAS than WISC-III



#### **Race Differences** Table 1.6 Standard Score Mean Differences by Race on Traditional and Nontraditional Intelligence Tests Test Difference Traditional IO Tests SB-IV (matched samples) WISC-IV (normative sample) 12.6 11.5 WJ-III (normative sample) WISC-IV (matched samples) 10.0 Nontraditional Tests K-ABC (normative sample) K-ABC (matched samples) KABC-II (matched samples) 7.0 6.1 5.0 CAS2 (normative sample) CAS2 (demographic controls of normative sample) CAS2 (demographic controls of normative sample) 6.3 4.8 4.3 CLSS: cuenting applies controls on normative samples? Note: The data for these results are reported for the Stanford-Binet IV from Wasserman (2000): Woodcock-Johnson III from Edwards and Oakland (2006); Kaufman Assesment Battery for Children from Naglier (1996); Kaufman Assesment Battery for Children II from Lichenberger, Sorleo-Dynega, and Kaufman (2009); CAS from Naglieri, Rojahn, Matto, and Aquilino (2005); CAS2 from Naglieri, Dasa and Goldseni (2014a); and Wechler Intelligence Scale for Children IV (WISC-IV) from O'Donnell (2009).

### Effect of Verbal Knowledge on Ability

American Journal on Mental Retardation, 2001, Vol. 106, No. 4, 359-36

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

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#### Conclusions

- ➢ Traditional intelligence tests have changed very little since 1917
- Verbal and quantitative test are too achievement laden and therefore they distort the IQ score
- "Second-generation intelligence tests" (KABC & CAS) do a much better job of explaining current level of competence and predicting future performance; and they are better for diverse populations

"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### Do you NEED Verbal tests

- Some have argued that verbal tests are more valid because they correlate high with achievement
  - That is a circular argument
- Do you need verbal tests to correlate with achievement?
  - The answer may surprise you !!

#### IQ Correlations with Achievement?

- ➢IQ scores correlate about .5 to .55 with achievement Intelligence (Brody, 1992)
- But traditional tests have achievement in them
- Naglieri (1999) summarized the correlations between several tests and achievement
  - The median correlation between each test's overall score and all achievement variables was obtained

## Correlations with Achievement Next, a summary of ability test correlations with achievement EXCLUDING the scales that clearly require knowledge The average correlations of the SCALES with

achievement and those without achievement were obtained to avoid *criterion contamination*...



#### Correlations with Achievement

	Correlations Test Scores	Between Ability and Achievem	int	All Scales		les with hieverne
Correlations between ability & achievement(Nag lieri & Otero.	WISC-V WIAT-III N = 201	Verbal Comprehension Visual Spatial Fluid Reasoning Working Memory Processing Speed	.74 .46 .40 .63 .34	.53		.47
2017) show the strength of measuring basic psychological	WJ-IV COG WJ-IV ACH N = 825	Comprehension Knowledge Fluid Reasoning Auditory Processing Short Term Working Memory Cognitive Processing Speed Long-Term Retrieval Visual Processing	.50 .71 .52 .55 .55 .43 .43	.54		.50
processes Note: All correlations are reported in the ability tests'	KABC WJ-III ACH N = 167	Sequential/Gsm Simultaneous/Gv Learning/Glr Planning/Gf Knowledge/GC	.43 .41 .50 .59 .70	.54		.30
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Our Amazing Brains !



#### IQ as Neurocognitive Abilities 1986

Das and Naglieri proposed a neurocognitive theory of intelligence called PASS and a way to measure it (Cognitive Assessment System (Naglieri & Das, 1997) and the CAS2 (Naglieri, Das, & Goldstein, 2014.)

 The CAS was the first intelligence test to be built on a specific theory of intelligence.

#### Defining Neurocognitive Abilities

- How did we identify 'basic psychological processes'?
  - We used research from cognitive and neuropsychology to construct a model to test
  - We did not assign new labels to traditional IQ subtests
- We recognized the limitations of developing a theory from factor analysis – "a research program dominated by factor analyses of test intercorrelations is incapable of producing an explanatory theory of human intelligence"
   (Lohman & Ippel, 1993, p. 41)



#### From IQ to Brain Function



#### ➢Learning is based on BRAIN function

- Wechsler (traditional IQ) was not based on the brain
- We can now redefine intelligence as neurocognitive processes based on brain function (A. R. Luria)

#### Reinvent understanding of intelligence based on the brain

- Measure brain function, not IQ
- Do not include achievement test questions
- Measure <u>thinking</u> not <u>knowledge</u>

#### **Presentation Outline** Knowledge vs. Thinkin Introduction >What does the student have to Using groups to stimulate thinking **know** to complete a task? • How traditional IQ has influenced us • This is dependent on educational A new way of thinking about intelligence opportunity What is PASS theory of learning How to measure PASS neurocognitive processes How does the student have to think to complete a task? ➤Case studies • This is dependent on PASS Final thoughts neurocognitive processes







#### PASS Neurocognitive Theory

- ▶ Planning = THINKING ABOUT HOW YOU DO WHAT YOU DECIDE TO DO
- Attention = BEING ALERT AND RESISTING
- Simultaneous = GETTING THE BIG PICTURE
- Successive = FOLLOWING A SEQUENCE
- > PASS theory is a way to measure neurocognitive abilities related to brain function





#### PASS Theory: Planning

- Planning is a neurocognitive process that a person uses to determine, select, and use efficient solutions to problems
- problem solving
- developing plans and using strategies
- retrieval of knowledge
- impulse control and self-control
- These can also be described as executive function, metacognition, strategy use









#### **Math Strategies**

Note to the Teacher: When we teach children skills by helping them use strategies and plans for learning, we are teaching both knowledge and processing. Both are important.





#### The case of Rocky

- Rocky<sup>1</sup> is a real child with a real problem
   He lives in a large middle class school district
- a wide variety of services are available
- In first grade Rocky was performing significantly below grade benchmarks in reading, math, and writing.
  - He received group reading instruction weekly and six months of individual reading instruction from a reading specialist
  - He made little progress and was retained

Note: This child's name and other potentially revealing data have been changed to protect his id

#### The case of Rocky

- By the middle of his second year in first grade Rocky was having difficulty with
  - decoding, phonics, and sight word vocabulary; math problems, addition, fact families, and problem solving activities;
- and focusing and paying attention."
- After two years of special team meetings and special reading instruction he is now working two grade levels below his peers and is having difficulty in reading, writing, and math
- >A comprehensive evaluation was conducted



#### How to Analyze PASS scores > For an excel spreadsheet that does the analysis of PASS scores go to PSW Calculator http://www.jacknaglieri.com/case-studies.html Differences Between PASS Scale Standard Scores and the Student's Average PASS Score Required for Significance for the CAS2 12-Subtest EXTENDED battery A Difference fro Significantly Cognitive Assessment System - 2 PASS Mean of: Different (at a Strength or Weakness 15 16 17 18 19 20 PASS Scales Standard Score 87.0 -15.0 15.0 <.05) from YEARS Planning Simultane yes -18 multaneous yes Attention 11.0 ves Ages -11.0 CAS2 - 12 subtest Extended









#### Comparing PASS scores with other Achievement Tests > See Naglieri &

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	YELLOW	GREEN	RED	BLUE	
	RED	YELLOW	YELLOW	GREEN	
	BLUE	GREEN	RED	BLUE	
	GREEN	YELLOW	RED	YELLOW	
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#### Frankie at age 11 years

- Referred by parents (at age 11) after a history of reading and self esteem problems
- ➢ High level of anxiety
  - he was too anxious to look closely at the words, and he would rather get the task completed and move on.
  - Frankie could not attend to the details of the sequence of letters for correct spelling, and the order of sound– symbol associations



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#### Frankie – Metacognitive (Planning) Interventions

- Discourage passivity / encourage independence
  - Teacher should only provide as much assistance as is needed
  - Discourage exclusive use of teacher's solutions
  - Child needs to correct own work
  - Child needs to learn to be self-reliant (Scheid, 1993).





#### **Frankie - Interventions**

- > Teach rules for approaching tasks
  - Define tasks accurately
  - Assess child's knowledge of the problem
  - Consider ALL possible solutions
  - Evaluate value of all possible solutions
  - Checking work carefully is required
  - Correct your own test strategy (see Pressley & Woloshyn, 1995, p. 140).

#### What Should Teachers & Parents do? How to Teach Students to Attend The first step in teaching children about their own abilities is to explain that they have many different types of abilities and that Attention is one of them. They also need to be aware of when their attention focused and they are restaing distractions, as well when it is divided among too many things, which leaves them unfocused and overloaded. In Figure Think smart and look at the details! led. In Figure 1 leaves them unfocused and overloaded. In Figure 1 (which also appears in the PASS poster on the CD), we provide a fast and simple message: "Think smar and look at the details!" During appropriate times during the day, remind students to closely attend to information being discussed. We need to teach chilat the details dren to approach all their work with an understandin of how well they are focused on the details and resisting distractions in their environment. Throughout the day, the teacher should Teach children to be aware of their level of attention and resistance to distraction. Encourage children by asking: "Are you able to focus?" or "Are you getting dis tracted?" traceor? Remind the students that Attention is necessary for reading, writing, and arithmetic, as well as in sports, playing a musical instrument, driving a car, and so forth. Teach children that they may have to modify their environment so that they can attend 3 4. better. 5. Remind students that learning requires attention to detail and resisting distraction

#### Frankie and Successive Processing

#### Spelling

- Strategies for Spelling (pp.102–103)
- Segmenting Words for Reading/Decoding and Spelling (p. 89)
- These are designed to help him perform better when tasks require a lot of Successive processing.

#### Let's Take a Mindful Moment or Brain Break (or Syn-nap)

#### The brain needs time to process!

- Stretch
- Cross Laterals
- > Walk and Talk
- Energizers
- Relaxers















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#### When Disobedience Reflects PASS

- > Mom reports:
  - she can be shy and is easily frustrated when she can't perform as well as others.
- Teacher
  - strengths in creativity and art. Teacher is very concerned with attention and non-compliance. She is also working with her to improve friendship skills – she tries to control.
- Testing behavior
  - Has a desire to perform well but *requires boundaries* and set reward times in order to obtain consistent effort.
  - Impulsive and tries to control situation. Much movement including putting feet on the chair, laying on the table, and out of her seat.

#### When Disobedience Reflects PASS



#### When Disobedience Reflects PASS

- When you find a child low in Planning who is described as being difficult to control, is impulsive and has lots of 'bad' behavior
  - Low Planning means the student can't figure out how to meet the demands of life.
  - Low Planning means resistance to change
  - Low planning may look like oppositional/defiant behaviors
  - Don't be the student's frontal lobes
  - · Give enough structure but NOT too much







#### CAS2: Rating Scale Successive

the child or adolescent works with things in a specific order.					
During the past month, how often did the child or adolescent	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Frequently	stemly
31. recall a phone number after hearing it?	0	1	2	3	4
32. remember a list of words?	0	1	2		4
33. sound out hard words?	0		2		
34. correctly repeat long, new words?	0	1	2		4
35. remember how to spell long words after seeing them once?					
36. imitate a long sequence of sounds?	0	1	2	3	4
37. recall a summary of ideas word for word?	0	1	2		
38. repeat long words easily?	0	1	2	3	4
39. repeat sentences easily, even if unsure of their meaning?	0	1	2	3	4
40. follow three to four directions given in order?	0	1	2	3	4
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#### Insights...

Even thought tasks were different in content and modality, they required the same kind of thinking



#### **PASS Theory: Successive**

- Successive processing is used when information is in a specific serial order
- Decoding words
- Letter-sound correspondence
- Phonological tasks
- Understanding the syntax of sentences
- Comprehension of written instructions
- Sequence of words, sentences, paragraphs
- Remembering the sequence of events in a story that was read

#### Successive and Syntax

- Sentence Repetition
  - Child repeats sentences exactly as stated by the examiner such as:
- The red greened the blue with a yellow.

#### Sentence Questions

- Child answers a question about a statement made by the examiner such as the following:
- The red greened the blue with a yellow.
   Who got greened?







#### PASS - ADHD and SLD weaknesses

Students with SLD in Reading Decoding, Spelling, phonological skill deficits and related problems have difference PASS profiles from those with ADHD









#### SLD Profiles on CAS (Huang, Bardos, D'Amato, 2010) Johnson, Bardos & Tayebi, 2003 Journal of Psychosta 2003, 21, 180-195 **Identifying Students** "this study With Learning Disabilities: suggests that the Composite Profile Analysis (\$)SAGE CAS...yields Using the Cognitive DISCRIMINANT VALIDITY OF THE COGNITIVE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM FOR STUDENTS WITH WRITTEN EXPRESSION DISABILITIES Assessment System information that contributes to the Judy A. Johnson University of Houston - Vice Leesa V. Huang<sup>1</sup>, Achilles N. Bardos<sup>2</sup>, and Rik Carl D'Amato<sup>3</sup> differential - Victoria Achilles N. Bardos University of Northern Colorado diagnosis of Kandi A. Tayebi students suspected Abstract The detection of cognitive patterns in children with learning disabilities (LD) has been a priority in the identification process. Subtract profile analysis from traditional cognitive assessment has in the identification process. Subtract profile analysis from traditional cognitive assessment has therefore, the purpose of this turby is to use a new generation of cognitive stats with megotia-ture analysis to augment diagonial and the instructional process. The Cognitive Assessment System uses a contemporary theoretical model in which composite scores, instead of subtracts cores, are used for profile analysis. Ten core profiles from a regular education anaple (N = 1692) and 12 profiles from a sample of students with LD (N = 367) were found. The majority of the LD profiles new unique compared with profiles bottlender from the general education anaple (N = 176) and the source of the subdy substantiate the usefulness of profile analysis on composite scores as a critical dense in LD determination. of having a learning disability in writing" and without writte Vinety-six students (n = 48) written of CAS composi 83% of the









#### **Key Facts About Dyslexia**

#### > Dyslexia is

- a specific learning disability a disorder in one or more basic psychological process (i.e. PASS)
- neurobiological in origin
- Often associated with the phonological aspect of language
- can impact either reading accuracy, reading fluency, or both
- can develop despite sufficient instruction
- not related to Wechsler Full Scale IQ scores

#### **Key Facts About Dyslexia**

- There are four types of Dyslexia
- Dysphonetic Dyslexia
- Surface Dyslexia
- Mixed Dyslexia
- Reading Comprehension Deficits

#### **Dysphonetic Dyslexia**

#### Students with Dysphonetic Dyslexia have trouble...

- Blending letters and sounds, ordering sounds, decoding the sequence of sounds to make words
- Decoding so they guess at words based on the initial letter
- Spelling, and the result is poor reading comprehension
- Learning math facts

#### **Dysphonetic Dyslexia**

#### Case of Paul -A 9 year old in 4<sup>th</sup> grade

- Problems in reading and math
- Can't remember the sequence of steps when doing math and math facts
- Good memory for details
- Can't sound out words
- Poor spelling
- Poor reading comprehension



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#### Does Wechsler detect Dyslexia?

Case from Dr. Steve Feifer

Presenting Concerns: Reading, Math Word Problems, Anxiety							
WISCV	COMPOSITE SCORE	RANGE	PERCENTILE RANK				
Verbal Comprehension	89	Below Average	23%				
Visual Spatial	84	Below Average	14%				
Fluid Reasoning	82	Below Average	12%				
Working Memory	72	Very Low	3%				
Processing Speed	76	Very Low	6%				
FULL SCALE SCORE	81	Below Average	10%				
WIAT III Reading	87	Below Average	19%				
WIAT III Math	90	Average	25%				
WIAT III Writing	94	Average	34%				

Paul – age 9 years				
CAS-2	STANDARD SCORE	Classification		
Planning: the ability to apply a strategy, and self- monitor and self- correct performance while working toward a solution.	92	Average		
Attention: the ability to selectively focus on a stimulus while resisting distractions.	110	Average		
Simultaneous Processing- is the ability to solve problems by integrating separate elements into a conceptual whole.	92	Average		
Successive Processing- is the ability to put information into a serial order or particular sequence.	72	Very Low		
CAS-2 Full Scale	75	Below Average		

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How well does Paul do on phonological tests?



	Paul – age	, y ct		
FAR index	Standard score (95% CI)	Percent	ile	Qualitative descriptor
Phonological Index	75	5%	Mod	erately Below Averag
Fluency Index	92	30%		Average
Mixed Index	81	10%		Below Average
Comprehension Index	97	42%		Average
FAR Total Index	84	14%		Below Average
KEY INTERPRETATION		Score	Percentil e	Descriptor
Nonsense Word Decoding decode a series of nonsense increasing difficulty.		f 71	3%	Moderately Below Average
Irregular Word Reading Fl list of phonologically irregul increasing difficulty in 60 se	ar words arranged in order		37%	Average

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#### **PASS Theory**

- Simultaneous processing is used to integrate stimuli into groups
  - Stimuli are seen as a whole
  - Each piece must be related to the other
  - Whole language
  - · Seeing word as a whole
  - Verbal concepts
  - Geometry, math word problems









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#### Surface Dyslexia

#### Students with Surface Dyslexia...

- Have trouble with the spatial aspect of words
- Read by breaking down words to individual phonemes and read very slowly
- they tend to read letter-by-letter and sound-bysound and they rely too heavily on the phonological properties of the word
- Fluency suffers but phonological processing skills remain relatively intact.

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Table 5.2 Nelson's CAS2 Scoring			
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CAS2 Planning: The ability to apply a strategy and self-monitor performance while working toward a solution	94	34	Average
CAS2 Attention: The ability to selectively focus on a stimulus while inhibiting responses from competing stimuli	98	45	Average
CAS2 Simultaneous Processing: The ability to reason and problem-solve by integrating separate	74	4	Very low
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Planning	94	5.3	no			
Simultaneous	5 74	-14.8	yes		Weakness	
Attention	98	9.3	no			
Successive	89	0.3	no			
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Mixed Index	73 (±7) 81 (±5)	2 10	Below aver	
Comprehension Index	97 (±8)	42	Average Below average	
FAR Total Index	84 (±5)	14		
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Table 5.4 Nelson's Scores on the KTEA-III Math Subtests			
Math	Age Norms	Percentile	Range
Math Computation: The student solves math equations in the response booklet including addition and subtraction.	87 ± 10	19	Below average
Math Fluency: This is a timed task requiring the student to solve as many single-digit addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division problems in a minute.	89 ± 11	23	Below average
KTEA-III Math Composite Score	$90 \pm 6$	25	Average
Spelling: The student is required to spell words of increasing difficulty dictated by the examiner.	86±5	18	Below average
Writing Fluency: The student has 5 minutes to write as many sentences as possible describing various pictures.	$88 \pm 14$	21	Below average
KTEA-III Written Language	$87 \pm 6$	19	Below average



#### **Mixed Dyslexia**

### Students with Mixed Dyslexia have the most severe type of dyslexia

- They have difficulty characterized by a combination of poor phonological processing skills, slower rapid and automatic wordrecognition skills, inconsistent language comprehension skills, and odd error patterns in their reading.
- Main PASS processing problem(s): Simultaneous and Successive

#### **Reading Comprehension Deficit**

- These students with Reading Comprehension Deficits
  - Are OK with word identification skills
  - But they can't get meaning from what they read
  - They have poor language and vocabulary development, attention difficulties, and/or limitations with planning and organization skills
  - They have few strategies for reading
  - Main Pass processes: Planning & Attention.













#### How to use Supplemental Scales

#### Executive Function (EF)

- This scale provides a measure of the child's ability to achieve a goal by planning and organizing a task while paying careful attention to the stimuli and resisting distractions in the environment.
  - Relate this score to behavior rating scales of EF such as the Comprehensive Executive Function Inventory (Naglieri & Goldstein, 2015) and social skills
  - Look for academic problems in math, reading comprehension, written composition, homework, etc.

#### How to use Supplemental Scales

#### ➢Working Memory

- Baddeley and Hitch (1974) noted that WM involves the phonological loop and visual-spatial sketchpad.
- Engle and Conway (1998) described the visual-spatial sketchpad as a mental image of visual and spatial features; and the phonological loop refers to retention of information when order of information is required
- Be careful not to assume that CAS2 WM score will
   = WISC-V WM score (Digit Span, Picture Span)

#### How to use Supplemental Scales

#### ➤Verbal

- This scale measures the child's ability to process information that requires recall and/or comprehension of verbal concepts or words across the Simultaneous, Successive, and Attention subtests
- It may be different from the WISC-V Verbal scale because the CAS2 Verbal scale does not require as much knowledge as the Similarities and Vocabulary tests do

#### How to use Supplemental Scales

#### ➢Nonverbal

- This score measures the child's ability to process information with images across the Simultaneous and Planning scales.
- It may be different from the WISC-V Nonverbal scale because Wechsler subtests used (Block Design, Visual Puzzles, Matrix Reasoning, Figure Weights, Picture Span and Coding) are very diverse in their content

#### How to use Supplemental Scales

- Visual Auditory comparison
  - Scores on the Word Series and Visual Digit Span subtests are used to investigate the role visual or aural presentation of stimuli may have in the student's ability to remember information that is arranged in a specific order.
  - This tests the hypothesis that a student learns better by seeing or hearing







#### CAS2 Rating Scales (Ages 4-18 yrs.)

- The CAS2: Rating measures behaviors associated with PASS constructs
- Normed on a nationally representative sample of 1,383 students rated by teachers





#### **CAS2** Rating Scales

### ➤The rater is given a description of what each scale is intended to measure.

#### This informs teachers about PASS

Directions for Items 1–10. These questions ask how well the child or adolescent decides how to do things to achieve a goal. They also ask how well a child or adolescent thinks before acting and avoids impulsivity. Please rate how well the child or adolescent creates plans and strategies to solve problems.

Directions for Items 11–20. These questions ask how well the child or adolescent sees how things go together. They also ask about working with diagrams and understanding how ideas fit together. The questions involve seeing the whole without getting lost in the parts. Please rate how well the child or adolescent visualizer things as a whole.

Directions for Items 21–30. These questions ask how well the child or adolescent pays attention and resists distractions. The questions also ask about how well someone attends to one thing at a time. Please rate how well the child or adolescent pays attention.

Directions for Items 31–40. These questions ask how well the child or adolescent remembers things in order. The questions ask about twiking with numbers, words, or ideas in a series. The questions also ask about doing things in a certain order. Please rate how well the child or adolescent words with things in a specific arcder.

#### CAS2 Rating Scales

The CAS2: Rating Scale scores can be used as part of a larger comprehensive evaluation or for instructional planning



#### **Presentation Outline**

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- Case studies
- ➢Final thoughts

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#### Case of María

(Case of Dr. Mary A. Moreno)

#### CASE STUDY: MARIA (C.A. 13-8 GRADE 8)

#### **REASON FOR REFERRAL**

- Academic:
  - · Delays in mathematical skills
  - Mainly in fractions
  - Difficulties in multiplication
  - Reading and writing
  - Poor reading fluency (slow or "tired" while reading)
  - Mistakes when reading aloud, repeats, stops often or "gets lost" when reading
  - Reads without expression and ignores punctuation marks
  - Organizational problems in reading and writing
  - Writes very slowly











#### The case of María (by Dr. Moreno-Torres)

- María has a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes
  - Planning = 82 and Successive = 83
- Good scores in basic psychological processes:
  - Simultaneous = 95 and Attention = 96

#### She has documented:

- Academic difficulties math and reading fluency
- Behavioral difficulties Anxiety
- Planning (aka, Executive functioning) difficulties Organization, self-monitoring

#### The case of María (by Dr. Moreno-Torres)

- Maria's case is similar to that of thousands of Hispanic children currently attending schools in the United States.
- Some of them may present academic difficulties that may be confused with difficulties in language proficiency
- When evaluating them, it is important to use instruments that allow the identification of cognitive strengths and weaknesses that underlie their academic difficulties, without penalizing them for their difficulties in defining or explaining concepts.

The case of María (by Dr. Moreno-Torres)

#### Light Through a Dark Forest: A Practitioner's Perspective

- If my assessment helps guide teachers to more efficiently and effectively educate learning challenged students, I have accomplished my goal.
- PASS scores help me see learning disabilities better than Wechsler
- PASS gives a basis for understanding strengths and weaknesses and how to effectively target intervention



#### CASE STUDY: Teya (C.A. 10-7 GRADE 5)

#### **REASON FOR REFERRAL**

#### Concerns and Supports:

- Eligible under SLD/SLI (SLD despite only strength on Visual Spatial Index of WISC V)
- Functioning around 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in all academic areas
- Receiving reading, writing, and math tutoring
- OT for fine and gross motor
- Language therapy since preschool
- Social immaturity



#### **Using PASS to Understand Challenges**

≻WJ IV Writing Prompt:

• Use one good sentence to tell three things you would like to do on a sunny day.

"I whode love to sleep on a sunny day because I am to lazze to go to the beach."

- Spelling issues due to simultaneous processing problems (surface dyslexia)
- Followed only one part of the prompt, due to simultaneous processing problems, not integrating all pieces to the whole



#### PASS and DCM for Eligibility and Intervention

>From a practitioner perspective:

- DCM provides clarity for SLD eligibility
- PASS shines light on strengths that would go unnoticed via knowledge-based cognitive assessment
- Better understanding for using strengths to mitigate weaknesses
- Simple explanations for parents, teachers AND students

#### The Case of Anthony

- ➢CORE group activity
- Read the background and test results
- Analyze the pattern of strengths and weaknesses in PASS and academic scores

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#### CAS2 in New Zealand

#### Message from Barbara H

Good morning. I am an educational psychologist in New Zealand. I work with a team of Resource Teachers of learning and behaviour supporting 50 schools in Auckland. We use the CAS2 frequently in conjunction with the WISC-V in assessment where it is felt that a cognitive assessment would be helpful in understanding the cognitive profile of a child so that we can best support them.

- I am working with a Speech Language Therapist and together we have assessed a nine year old boy named Lorence who has a complex (yet to be fully understood) language difficulty.
- >I administered the CAS extended battery.
- I have not administered a WISC-V as I doubt it would produce valid information given this child's profile.

#### **CAS2 in New Zealand**

- ≻Born in the Philippines.
- Speaks a combination of English and Tagalog
- >Attended pre-school and then a city school in the Philippines from the age of 5 years.
- Immigrated to NZ in 2014 when 8 years of age.
- Lorence's language was delayed (did not speak until over 2 years of age).
- At the age of five years he was not pronouncing some words correctly and received private speech language therapy.

#### CAS2 in New Zealand

- Lorence was referred to the Resource Teachers of Learning and Behaviour Service (RTLB) as he had not been making the expected progress in English and there were ongoing concerns about his difficulties with communication.
  - A Filipino teacher aide employed by the school also had difficulties understanding him in Tagalog.
- School reports Lorence's interactions with others are minimal, he lacks the skills to relate to his peers, he gets frustrated and upset when he does not know what to do.
- He is unable to follow verbal instructions and fixates on rules and what others are doing.

#### CAS2 in New Zealand

- During the assessments Lorence was not confident in speaking Tagalog, although he does converse in his mother tongue at home.
  - Testing showed that he has forgotten much of his early learning in Tagalog. While he could understand the instructions in Tagalog to talk about the pictures, he answered only in English.
- The assessment team gathered information, did observations and administered a number of assessments
- There is a general belief by the school, speech language therapist and assessment team that this young man is of low cognitive functioning (*I do not agree with this*).

#### CAS2 in New Zealand

- Test Results
- Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test-4 score = 1<sup>st</sup> percentile
- Expressive Vocabulary Test score = < 1<sup>st</sup> percentile

Cognitive Asse	ssment System-2	PASS Mean & Differences:	Significantly Different (at p = .05) from PASS	Strength or Weakness
PASS Scales	Standard Score	91.5	Mean?	
Planning	106	14.5	yes	
Simultaneous	93	1.5	no	
Attention	98	6.5	no	
Successive	69	-22.5	yes	Weakness

#### **CAS2 in New Zealand**

- This is a high stakes situation for Lorence and his family.
  - His parents gave up good careers in the Philippines to come to NZ for their children.
  - If Lorence is diagnosed with a disability or unable to make progress in his learning they will not be granted residency and will have to return home.
- I administered the CAS in the hope that it would give me information that would help me to understand more about how best to support this little boy in the classroom.

#### CAS2 in New Zealand

- Good morning Jack. I just wanted to give you an update on how things are going with the student you helped me with last year.
- The assessment information was shared with the student, his parents and his teachers. This changed the perception others had of him and the perception he had of himself.
- With this new understanding of his strengths and challenges, his teacher last year worked hard to teach him in a way that best suited his learning needs and he has made pleasing progress.
- $\succ$  We have just met with his teacher this year to ensure that she also has an understanding of him so this good work can continue.
- > Thank you again for all your help.
- Warmest regards, Barbara H

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#### Conclusions

- Understanding PASS neurocognitive abilities of the students you work with will help you make better decisions about HOW they learn
- Understanding WHY a student fails is the key to knowing HOW they learn best
- The TEST you use has a PROFOUND influence on what you learn about a student – and THAT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE
  - · Choose wisely

