

PAT: Listening Comprehension helps teachers assess a student’s ability to construct meaning from texts read to them. It provides teachers with insight into students’ capability to make meaning across a range of text genres.



Purpose of the assessment

PAT: Listening Comprehension offers teachers the unique ability to assess students’ understanding that more than one meaning can be made from a piece of text. Because students are listening instead of reading, their response informs teachers of the level of text they have the cognitive ability to understand.

Benefits of the assessment

- Multiple tests reflect expected progress through the curriculum. Teachers choose appropriate tests for students well above or well below—these students do not need to sit the year level test.
- Student-centred and relevant, giving an immediate picture of how students are achieving and progressing against the curriculum. Provides trustworthy evidence of achievement, useful for transition data of students’ learning pathways.
- Curriculum progressions built into multi-choice questions support teachers’ moderation and analysis of curriculum levels and needs.
- All students’ results end up on one scale no matter which test they sit. This allows for accurate school-wide Community of Learning (CoL) reporting for strategic goal setting and planning.
- CoL/multi-school analysis reporting for trends, patterns and shifts using ethnic, gender, and year level filters for targeted improvement in teaching and learning.

NZCER’s Education Advisors can provide support and challenge for how to use the results to define or address the problem for improvement. Contact our Education Advisors at education.advisors@nzcer.org.nz for more information.

Available as online or paper-based tests

As with all NZCER assessments, PAT: Listening Comprehension tests can be purchased as paper tests, or you can sign up to administer online tests. Whether you do them on paper or online, we can provide you with a wide range of useful analysis reports as part of your NZCER subscription.

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