

PAT: Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary helps teacher understand and assess a student's ability to make meaning from the texts they read. Results provide accurate, relevant data and rich Aotearoa New Zealand curriculum analysis for your school's focussed inquiry.



Purpose of the assessment

PAT: Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary supports student-centred learning in literacy. Students are presented with a range of genres, and once analysed, teachers gain insight into the sense-making clues students are, or are not using. PAT: Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary assesses the students' ability to understand the words they read.

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 supporting 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 shift 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: Reading Comprehension and Vocabulary 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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