Characteristics of Writing Assessments

Assessment Name	Publisher Ages & Admin Time Admin (Date) Grade Format					Constructs of Writing Measured									
	,	Levels		•	A/L	V	S	OC	WF	SC	SCM	EC	Е		
AimsWeb Spelling General Outcome Measure CBM (S-CBM)	Pearson, online	Grades 1-2	2 minutes; new word dictated every 10 seconds	Individual, group			X								
AimsWeb Spelling General Outcome Measure (S-CBM)	Pearson, online	Grades 3-8	2 minutes; new word dictated every 7 seconds	Individual, group			X								
AimsWeb Written Expression CBM	Pearson, online	Through 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 minutes	Individual, small groups, or whole class			X		X						
Kaufman Test of Educational Achievement- III (KTEA-3)	Pearson (2014)	4-0 through 25-11		Individual	X		X	X	X	X	X	X			
Oral Written Language Scales –II (OWLS-2)	WPS	5-0 through 21-11	15 to 30 minutes	Individual or small groups		X	X	X			X				
Test of Written Expression (TOWE)	PRO-ED (1995)	6-6 through 14-11	1 hour	Individuals or groups		X	X	X			X				

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Test of Written Language – IV (TOWL -4)	PRO-ED (2009)	9-0 through 17-11	1.5 hours	Individual or small groups		X	X	X		X	X	X		
Test of Written Spelling-V (TWS-5)	PRO-ED (2013)	6-0 through 18-0	20 minutes	Individual or groups			X							
Weschler Individual Achievement Test –III (WIAT-3)	PsychCorp Pearson	4-0 through 19-11	Varies by grade level and subtests administered	Individual	X		X			X		X		
Writing subtests		PreK to 12												
Woodcock Johnson Tests of Achievement- IV (WJ -4) Writing subtests	Riverside (2014)	2-0 to 90+	Varies by subtests administered	Individual	X	X			X	X			X	

Note: A/L = Alphabet or Letter Writing, V = Vocabulary, S = Spelling, OC = Other Conventions (punctuation, capitalization), WR = Writing Fluency, SC = Sentence Combining, SCM = Sentence Composition, EC = Essay Composition, EC = Essay

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Technical Properties of Writing Assessments

Assessment Name		Tests	s of Reliab	Tests of Validity							
		IC	AF	TR	SD/IS	IR	СО	CR	CS	CV	DV
Kaufman Test of Educational Achievement- III (KTEA-3)	Percentiles, standard scores, age and grade equivalents	.9199	.8096	X							
Oral Written Language Scales –II (OWLS-2)	Percentiles, standard scores, composite scores Written Language	.9699	.8396	.7594		.3975			X	X	X
Test of Written Expression (TOWE)	Percentiles, standard scores, age and grade equivalents	.9092			.9899		.1457	.6168	.4056		
Test of Written Language – IV (TOWL -4)	Composite Scores: Contrived, Spontaneous, Overall	.7197	.5596	.7099	.7299		.1960				
Test of Written Spelling-V (TWS-5)	Percentiles, standard scores, age and grade equivalents	>.90	>.90	>.90	>.90		X	X	X		
Wechsler Individual	Percentiles,	.6997		.6992	.9298	X	X				

.76 -.91 .76 -.88

Assessment Name	Types of Scores Produced		Test	s of Relia	bility			Test	s of Valid	ity	
		IC	AF	TR	SD/IS	IR	СО	CR	CS	CV	DV

III	age and grade
(WIAT-3)	equivalents
Woodcock Johnson	Percentiles,
Tests of	standard scores,
Achievement –	age and grade
(WJ-IV) Writing	equivalents
subtests	

Achievement Test –

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standard scores,

Note: IC = Internal Consistency, AF = Alternate Form, TR = Test-Retest, SD/IS = Scorer Difference/ Inter-scorer, IR = Inter-correlations, CO = Content Validity, CR = Criterion-Related Validity, CS = Construct Validity, CV = Convergent Validity, DV = Discriminative Validity

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