

How to choose the right assessment resource for your needs

There are three overarching forms of assessment. Each type has different primary purposes and will give schools different types of information about children's learning.

What do I want to achieve?

I want to:

- ✓ enable teachers to understand pupil performance on a continuing basis and to evaluate their teaching
- ✓ help children to understand their strengths and areas for development
- ✓ provide parents with a picture of their child's progress
- ✓ provide evidence to help form part of Ofsted's wider judgements about the overall quality of teaching.



Formative assessment



I want to:

- ✓ capture how well children have understood work taught over a period of time
- ✓ enable teachers to evaluate learning based on outcomes in a test
- ✓ support leaders in monitoring the performance of cohorts against the expected standard for each year
- ✓ familiarise children with the style of the new national tests.



Summative assessment



I want to:

- ✓ gain information on how pupils are performing in a national context
- ✓ offer teachers reliable and comparable information about attainment and progress
- ✓ enable leaders to benchmark the school's performance
- ✓ build a diagnostic profile for each child to help predict progress
- ✓ generate standardised scores and GPS, maths and reading ages.



Standardised assessment



Progress Tests



Optional Tests Set A Optional Tests Set B Optional Tests Set C

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Curriculum tests to help teachers assess how much a child has understood and to identify gaps in learning

- ★ **Data:** percentages and expected standard thresholds
- ★ **Subjects:** reading, GPS, maths, science
- ★ **Format:** photocopiable books of tests
- ★ **Frequency:** half termly

Tip: Use as regular check points throughout the year to inform teaching.

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Optional Tests

A B C



Three sets of comparable summative tests for each year group, in the style and format of the national tests

- ★ **Data:** Performance Indicators and (Years 1 to 6) National Test Indicators (Year 2 and 6)
- ★ **Subjects:** reading, GPS, maths
- ★ **Format:** test papers
- ★ **Frequency:** as suits the school's assessment policy

Tip: Use one set from the year below to baseline at the start of the year and then another to assess at the end of the year.

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Standardised tests to benchmark performance against national averages and to measure progress

- ★ **Data:** standardised scores, age standardised scores, GPS, maths and reading ages, Performance Indicators, National Test Indicators and Hodder Scale scores
- ★ **Subjects:** GPS, maths and reading
- ★ **Format:** test papers
- ★ **Frequency:** termly

Tip: Use termly to check progress and identify children working above and below expectations for their year.

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An online, searchable bank containing thousands of quality questions for the new curriculum

- ★ **Subjects:** GPS, maths, science and reading
- ★ **Format:** an online question bank that enables you to produce and print your own tests or display questions on your whiteboard
- ★ **Content:** over thousands of new curriculum questions, with new questions and ready-made tests added each term
- ★ **Frequency:** as often as needed

Tip: A free 30-day trial is available for you to try it out for yourself.

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