

Name	WASI (WECHSLER ABBREVIATED SCALE OF INTELLIGENCE)
Purpose:	The WASI meets the demand for a quick, reliable measure of intelligence in clinical, educational, and research settings
Short description:	The WASI consists of four subtests: Vocabulary, Similarities, Block Design, and Matrix Reasoning. The four-subtest form can be administered in just 30 minutes and results in VIQ, PIQ, and FSIQ scores. The VIQ score, a measure of crystallized abilities, is provided by two types of measures: the Vocabulary subtest for measuring word knowledge, verbal concept formation, and fund of knowledge, and the Similarities subtest for measuring verbal reasoning and concept formation. The PIQ score is provided by two different types of performance measures: Matrix Reasoning for measuring visual information processing and abstract reasoning skills, and Block Design for measuring the ability to analyze and synthesize abstract visual stimuli, nonverbal concept formation, visual perception and organization, simultaneous processing, visual-motor coordination, learning, and the ability to separate figure and ground in visual stimuli
Academic area/skills:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Vocabulary •Similarities •Block design •Matrix Reasoning
Target group:	6–89 years
Survey method:	Individual
Standardization:	The Norwegian manual supplement presents data on the Norwegian version's psychometric properties. The manual supplement refers to a large number of Norwegian studies where WASI has been used
Adapted/non-adapted to Norwegian conditions:	The Norwegian adaptation of the verbal sub-tests, as well as the the Norwegian protocol
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User groups/user qualifications:	Authorized psychologist, cand.ed., cand.paed with specialization in pedagogical-psychological counselling and cand. paed. spec (UiO), master program in special needs education and master program in pedagogy with the field of study pedagogical-psychological counselling from UiO