



What are NGRT assessments?

- ▶ The New Group Reading Test (NGRT) is a standardised, termly assessment that reliably measures reading skills against the national average to help you get to the root of any problems precisely and quickly.

The BIGGER Picture



The effect of reading ability continues throughout life. Compared to their counterparts with 'functional literacy' levels (a reading age of 11 or above), individuals with low reading ability are:

Less likely to gain employment, particularly skilled roles	More likely to exhibit behavioural problems and delinquency
Less likely to earn an above average salary	More likely to offend, be incarcerated and develop a habit of lifelong offending
Less likely to achieve qualifications or receive work based training or promotion	More likely to have low levels of psychological wellbeing and life satisfaction
Less likely to use preventative health services, remain healthy or manage treatment and medications well	



The relationship between reading age, education and life outcomes

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Why is my reading age important?



- ▶ Reading ability has a considerable impact on both educational attainment and wider life outcomes.



What qualifications you leave school with



What you do in the rest of your life



NGRT Reading Assessments

- ▶ Your child's next READING assessment will take place in the week beginning Monday 10th June.
- ▶ You can't revise for the test but you can practice reading and you should be reading regularly in your own time.
- ▶ The test is conducted on line and usually takes about 30 -45 minutes to complete. Students work through the test independently.
- ▶ The test is made up of two parts:
 - ▶ sentence completion (which measures decoding with some element of comprehension);
 - ▶ passage comprehension (which measures a range of comprehension skills of increasing difficulty).
- ▶ The digital version that we use is adaptive, so it responds to the level of the child as they take the test.