

WHAT IS THE youthPROFILER?

youthPROFILER is a digital assessment tool that teachers and parents can use to highlight learning gaps and most importantly know how to close these gaps. The web-based platform is available via smartphones, tablets, or computers.

Unlike others we can deploy and train unemployed youth to support teachers in administering the tests and provide focused interventions to close the learning gaps.

SCREENING FOR SUPPORT EDUCATION SERVICES QUESTIONS FREQUENTLY ASKED

WHAT DOES THE LEARNER PROFILER MEASURE?

- The assessment measures prior academic experience in the form of literacy and numeracy tests.
- The Profiler also collects demographic and social data in order to context solice the results.

DO YOU NEED TO BE A REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL IN ORDER TO USE THE LEARNER PROFILER?

- The LP is an educational assessment system and is not a psychological or occupational skills assessment and therefore no Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) registration is required;
- The LP does not assess for personality or intelligence quotient (IQ) and can therefore be used by anyone interested in education matters;
- The LP can be used by professional persons as well as provincial, district and school-based staff.

WHAT INFORMATION CAN I HARVEST FROM LEARNERS IN MY INSTITUTION?



SCREEN FOR ACADEMIC ABILITY



IDENTIFY LITERACY LEVELS AND SUPPORT REQUIRED



SCREEN FOR LEARNER ABILITIES AND HIDDEN



COLLECT LEARNER SOCIAL CONTEXT AND SUPPORT



SUPPORT

PROGRAMMES

WHAT MAKES PROFILER SO UNIQUE?



IT CREATES LOCAL NORMS (BENCHMARKS) IN REAL-TIME;



IT CREATES NATIONAL, PROVINCIAL, DISTRICT, CLASS, GRADE AND INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS FOR EVERY TEST;



IT UPDATES NORMS EVERY TIME ONE OR THOUSANDS OF TESTS ARE COMPLETED - ON A MINUTE BY MINUTE BASIS;



IT PROVIDES DEEP INFORMATION (DATA) ON EVERY LEARNERS LITERACY AND NUMERACY PERFORMANCE SUPPORTED BY SOCIAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA IN EVERY REPORT

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GIVE FDUCATORS THE TOOLS TO HELP THEM SUPPORT THE LEARNER

In a multi-layered and culturally complex society here in South Africa (and Africa), assessing for literacy and numeracy competency and providing social context information is more useful to educators who want to support a learner. Such results is undeniably more reliable for learner support needs than using test matrices that are often based on contentious and questionably normed "intelligence" assessments.

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TELL ME MORE ABOUT THE LEARNER PROFILER?

White Paper 6? SIAS 2014 Policy?

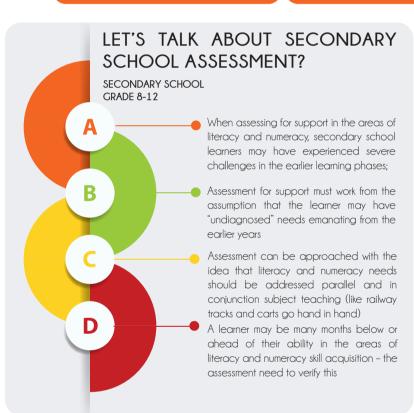
THE LP: ASSESSING THE RAILWAY TRACKS OF LEARNING

READING
WRITING
SPELLING
RWS SYMPTOM BASED TESTS

SOUND - LETTER CORRESPONDENCE
SOUND SEGMENTATION SKILLS
ORTHOGRAPHIC SKILLS

SOUND DISCRIMINATION

MEMORY
VISUAL SKILLS
VOCABULARY



TEST EVERYONE NOT ONLY THE "WEAKER" LEARNER - VARIABLE TESTING WILL ALSO STRENGTHEN YOUR BENCHMARKS (NORM COMPARISONS)

CAN THE PROFILER ASSESS ADULTS?

YES. ABSOLUTELY

Literacy and numeracy has no age graded norm. An adult may read similar to an 8 year old child but it does not mean the adult is similar in learning level as a child

The Profiler has collected the norms of thousands in South Africa and updates its norms on a daily basis. We prefer to reflect literacy scores as a function of your competency, not an age comparison (BOX APPROACH) - DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS ACROSS THE WORLD READ AT DIFFERENT LEVELS. It is better to offer level comparisons.

Age comparisons can

be demeaning.

For schools, we offer a grade level average for purposes of placement and support requirements. Students are clustered according to learning needs (ability) and (dis) ability. Lessons can be structured around ability

to read for example.

We have no way to know what a 12 or 40 year old should be spelling like here in Africa or South Africal



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REPEAT/ PROGRESS

HOW LONG DOES AN ASSESSMENT WITH THE LEARNER PROFILER TAKE?

Some children and teens depending on their age would need more or less time when doing an assessment. When assessing for support, you are trying to find out what the student needs for support, what they know and what they do not know



WHAT ABOUT LOLT (LANGUAGE OF LEARNING AND TEACHING) ASSESSMENT?

AFRIKAANS ZULU SOTHO XHOSA The Profiler is also geared to assess in mother-tongue languages such as Afrikaans, Zulu, Sotho and Xhosa with more languages being completed in the near future.