



## WMS-5

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A photograph of a middle-aged couple sitting closely together on a grey sofa in a bright, modern kitchen. The man is wearing a blue button-down shirt and jeans, and the woman is wearing a yellow turtleneck and jeans. They are both smiling warmly at the camera. The background shows a kitchen counter with various items like a kettle, pots, and jars.

# Measure more flexibly with WMS-5

Explore core aspects of memory in a highly flexible, yet comprehensive, manner within a larger evaluation battery.

Since its inception in 1945, psychologists have looked to the Wechsler Memory Scale to reliably measure memory function. The Wechsler Memory Scale – Fifth Edition (WMS®-5) is the latest revision of this comprehensive adult memory assessment. Comprised of 7 subtests measuring cognitive status, auditory memory, visual memory, and visual working memory, the WMS-5® features

updated norms representative of today's population, simplified administration options that increase customisation and flexibility, and more scores that expand utility across clinical, forensic, rehabilitation, and educational settings.

Codeveloped and co-normed with the WAIS-5®, the WMS-5® maintains its powerful partnership with the leading adult test of intelligence. Using the WAIS-5® and WMS-5® together allows direct comparison of performance across the two tests for a deeper understanding of an individual's cognitive abilities.



## Overview

### Publication date

2025

### Age range

16:0–90:11

### Qualification level

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### Completion time

Standard Form (60 minutes)

Short Form (25 minutes)

Alternate Form (25 minutes)

### Administration

Paper or Q-interactive®

### Scoring options

Paper or Q-global®

or Q-interactive

## Features

### New Norms

- The normative sample collected in 2023–2024 reflects recent societal shifts.
- Codeveloped and co-normed with WAIS-5® to enhance score interpretation, increase flexibility, and allow comparison of intellectual and memory abilities.

### Flexible administration options

- The **Standard Form** consists of all subtests and provides the most in-depth information about the examinee's short- and long-term memory and visual working memory functioning.
- The **Short Form** is a brief battery of subtests that can be used to sample immediate and delayed recall for orally and visually presented information as well as visual working memory.
- The **Alternate Form** consists of alternate versions of the auditory and visual subtests in the Short Form.
- The **Immediate Memory Screener**, embedded within the Standard Form, allows the examiner to administer the immediate recall conditions to screen for memory weaknesses before deciding whether to continue with the Standard Form.
- CVLT®3 scores can be substituted for Verbal Paired Associates 1 and 2.

### Expanded clinical utility

- Additional Ancillary Index Scores, Contrast Scores, and Process Scores.
- New Index scores reflecting single trial learning and multiple trial learning.
- Index discrepancy analyses and contrast scores comparing WAIS-5 and WMS-5 performance.

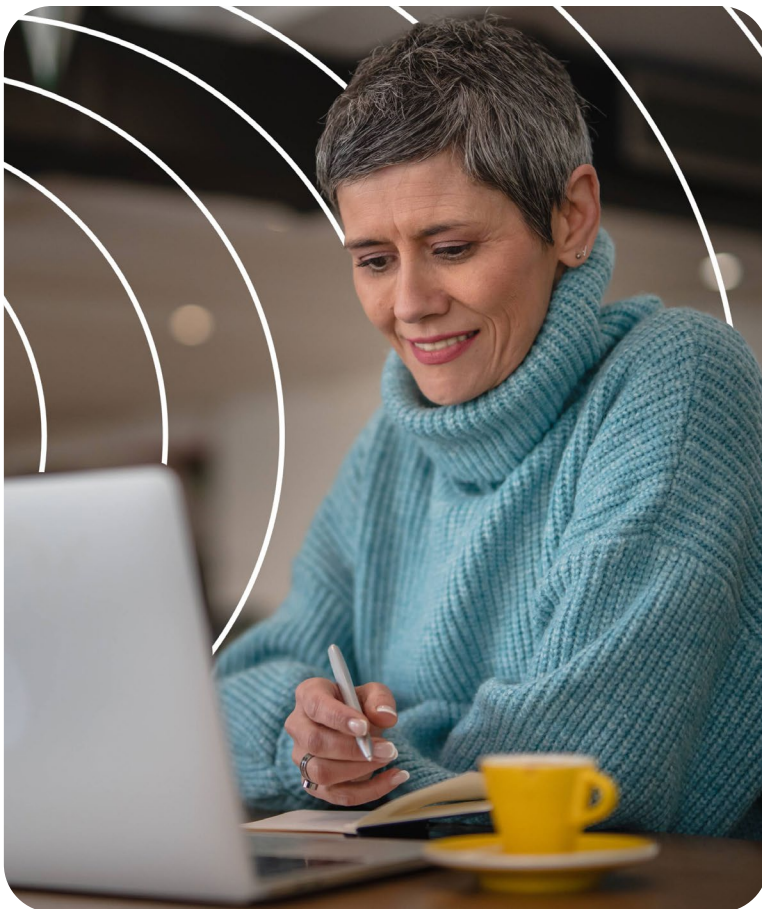
# Digital options

## Benefits of Q-interactive include:

- Easily administer and score the assessment using two iPad® devices, no manuals or stimulus books required!
- Automated scoring: saves time and reduces errors.
- Fully digital versions of Designs and Spatial Addition are included (no grids, cards, or chips required).
- Digital manuals for quick and convenient reference.

## Benefits of Q-global include:

- Administer on paper and enter raw scores to quickly receive a detailed and accurate score report.
- Digital manuals and stimulus books are available for ease of access, telepractice administration, and a compact, convenient administration solution.
- Pay per use or annual subscription options.



## Flexible Administration Options

### Standard Form

BCSE  
LM1&2  
VPA1&2\*  
VR1&2  
DE1&2  
SSP  
SA

\*CVLT-3 may be substituted

### Immediate Memory Screener

LM1  
VPA1  
VR1  
DE1

### Short Form

LM1&2  
VR1&2  
SSP

### Alternate Form

LM1&2 Alt  
VR1&2 Alt

# WMS-5 Test Framework

The WMS-5® maintains the same seven subtests from the WMS®-IV with updated content to modernise this most trusted memory assessment for use with today’s population.

| SUBTEST                        | ABBREVIATION |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Brief Cognitive Status Exam    | BCSE         |
| Logical Memory 1 & 2           | LM1 & LM2    |
| Verbal Paired Associates 1 & 2 | VPA1 & VPA2  |
| Visual Reproduction 1 & 2      | VR1 & VR2    |
| Designs 1 & 2                  | DE1 & DE2    |
| Symbol Span                    | SSP          |
| Spatial Addition               | SA           |

| PRIMARY INDEX SCORES (STANDARD FORM)         |                                            |                                              |                                                      |                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Auditory Memory (AMI)<br>LM1 & 2<br>VPA1 & 2 | Visual Memory (VMI)<br>VR1 & 2<br>DE1 & 2* | Visual<br>Working Memory (VWMI)<br>SA<br>SSP | Immediate Memory (IMI)<br>LM1<br>VR1<br>VPA1<br>DE1* | Delayed Memory (DMI)<br>LM2<br>VR2<br>VPA2<br>DE2* |

| ANCILLARY INDEX SCORES                                            |                                                                 |                                                      |                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Auditory<br>Immediate Memory (AIM)<br>LM1<br>VPA1                 | Visual Immediate Memory* (VII)<br>VR1<br>DE1                    | Designs Content* (DCI)<br>DE1 Content<br>DE2 Content | Multitrial Learning (MTLI)<br>VPA1, Recall C<br>VR1, Trial 2<br>LM1, Story A,<br>Second Recall**                                |
| Auditory Delayed Memory (ADI)<br>LM2<br>VPA2                      | Visual Delayed Memory* (VDI)<br>VR2<br>DE2                      | Designs Spatial* (DSI)<br>DE1 Spatial<br>DE2 Spatial | Single-Trial Learning (STLI)<br>VPA1, Recall A<br>VR1, Trial 1<br>LM1, Story B**<br>LM1, Story A,<br>First Recall**<br>LM1*DE1* |
| Auditory Recognition (ARI)<br>LM2 Recognition<br>VPA2 Recognition | Visual Recognition* (VRI)<br>VR2 Recognition<br>DE2 Recognition |                                                      |                                                                                                                                 |

\*ages 16–69      \*\*ages 70–90

Process scores and ancillary scores have been greatly enhanced in the WMS-5®. For a full list of scores see Chapter 1 of the WMS-5® Administration and Scoring Manual, available as a Resource at [Pearsonclinical.asia/WMS5](https://Pearsonclinical.asia/WMS5).

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