

Validity of the Bader Reading and Language Inventory, 6/e

From November 2008 through February 2009, One-hundred and seventy-two students in grades 2-6 in Michigan and Texas were tested with the *Slosson Oral Reading Test-Revised* (Slosson, R. L., revised by C.L. Nicholson, 2002) and the Graded Word List subtest of the *Bader Reading and Language Inventory*, *6/e (BRLI)*. Testing was done by reading specialists.

	Measure	Measure	# Students	Grade Levels	Correlation
	BRLI Word List	SORT R	172 students	2-6	.880

From January 2009 through March 2009, one-hundred and thirty-five students in grades 3-6 in Michigan and Texas were tested with the *Bader Reading and Language Inventory, 6/e.* Correlations between the Graded Word List, instructional oral reading level of the Graded Passages, and instructional silent reading level of the Graded Passages were obtained by reading specialists.

Measure	Measure	# Students	Grade Levels	Correlation
BRLI Word List	BRLI Oral	135 students	3-6	.913
BRLI Oral	BRLI Silent	135 students	3-6	.808

One hundred and twenty-six Texas elementary school students' scores (grades 3-6) on the *Stanford Achievement Test's Comprehension (SATC)* and *Total Reading Scores (SATT)* were compared to instructional reading scores on the *Bader Reading and Language Inventory*. The *BRLI* was administered by two reading specialists and one of the authors. Stanford grade equivalent scores that were six years or more above grade level and considered outliers were removed (i.e. a 3rd grader whose *SATC* grade equivalent score was 9th grade or higher). For the analysis, the *SATC* and *SATT* scores were combined with teacher placement of reading levels to arrive at a combined reading level score.

Measure	Measure	# Students	Grade Levels	Correlation
BRLI Silent	SATC	118 students	3-6	.803
BRLI Silent	SATT	120 students	3-6	.735

<u>Other</u>

The Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills: Reading (TAKS) is a modified criterion reference test developed by the state of Texas. The *TAKS Reading* test is given in grades 3, 5, and 8. Students must make a specific score at each of these grades in order to pass on to the next grade level.

Third Grade

Fifty-three non-special education students' *Bader Reading and Language Inventory* silent instructional reading level scores were compared with 2009 *TAKS* results.

*44 of 53 students had BRLI silent instructional scores of 3rd grade or higher, all 44 passed the TAKS Reading test (100 % agreement BRLI score/passing TAKS).

*50 of 53 students had BRLI silent instructional scores of 2nd grade or higher, 49 passed the TAKS Reading test (98 % agreement-BRLI score/passing TAKS).

Fifth Grade

Fifty-six non-special education students' *Bader Reading and Language Inventory* silent instructional reading level scores were compared with 2009 *TAKS* results.

*33 of 56 students had BLRI silent instructional scores of 5th grade or higher, 32 passed the TAKS Reading test (97% agreement BRLI score/passing TAKS).

*45 of 56 students had BLRI silent instructional scores of 4th grade or higher, 44 passed the TAKS Reading test (98 % agreement BRLI score/passing TAKS).

*52 of 56 students had BLRI silent instructional scores of 3rd grade or higher, 49 passed the TAKS Reading test (94 % agreement BRLI score/passing TAKS).

