

## Verizon Life Span Literacy Matrix: Children's Early Literacy Measures

### **Test — Lindamood Auditory Conceptualization Test – Third Edition (LAC-3)**

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**Purpose** — The LAC-3 is an individually administered norm-referenced assessment that measures the ability to perceive and conceptualize speech sounds using a visual medium.

**Population** — The LAC-3 is used with children ranging in age from 5 through 18.11 years.

**Time** — The LAC-3 can be administered in 20–30 minutes.

### **Description**

The LAC-3 measures the ability to distinguish and manipulate sounds which is required for success in reading and spelling. The test uses colored block to allow the student to visually present and manipulate representations of phonemes and felt pads to manipulate the representations of syllables. All words in this assessment are nonsense words.

### **Benefits**

The results of the LAC-3 are helpful for speech-language pathologists, special educators and reading specialists. This test could be included in a battery to help determine the underlying cause for a student's reading disability.

### **Validity/Reliability**

Test retest reliability ranged from .96 to .97 for all ages. Reliability was demonstrated using both content and time sampling. Validity was assessed using existing assessments (CTOPP, DAB-3, and TOPAS).

### **Cost**

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