

Verizon Life Span Literacy Matrix: Adult Literacy Measures

Test – Nelson-Denny Reading Test, Forms G and H

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Purpose – To assess student achievement and progress in vocabulary, comprehension, and reading rate.

Population – Ages 9 to 16, Adult

Time – Standard administration: 35 minutes; Extended-time administration: 56 minutes

Description – The *Nelson-Denny Reading Test*, Forms G and H, is a reading survey test for high school and college students and adults. A two-part test, the Nelson-Denny measures vocabulary development, comprehension, and reading rate. Part I (Vocabulary) is a fifteen-minute timed test; Part II (Comprehension and Rate) is a twenty-minute test. The first minute of the Comprehension test is used to determine reading rate. Including the time needed to distribute materials, complete the name and information grids, and provide directions; the Nelson-Denny may be administered in forty-five minutes, or a single class period.

The 1993 edition of the *Nelson-Denny Reading Test*, Forms G and H, is the current edition of this widely used high school and college test. All test items and reading passages are exclusive to this edition and appear in a test format similar to that used in earlier editions. Test users retained the basic test format because of its wide acceptance.

Benefits

- Effectively measures vocabulary, comprehension, and reading rate in only 35 minutes
- Aids in accurate placement of high school and college students at all reading levels
- Comprehension passages drawn from widely used, current high school and college texts
- Vocabulary section focuses on words students need for success in today's classrooms
- Optional extended-time administration to meet the needs of special populations, such as English language learners
- Carefully designed to avoid racial and gender bias
- Available on CD-ROM
- National norms for high schools, two- and four-year colleges

Validity/Reliability – details about the strengths of this test

Cost

Test booklets including directions for administration

Form G (pkg/25) - \$62.30

Form H (pkg/25) - \$62.30

Other testing forms available on the publisher's Web site.

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