# Assessment Information Form 2024-2025 List of Approved Assessments

This form provides general information about this approved assessment and the information is used by districts to consider before directly contacting providers about potential local procurements.

# **Assessment and Provider Information**

#### **PRODUCT:**

**Torrance Test of Creative Thinking** 

#### **VENDOR:**

Scholastic Testing Service, Inc.

#### **VENDOR CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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#### **VENDOR/ASSESSMENT WEBSITE:**

https://www.ststesting.com/gift/

# **Nonbinding Cost Estimation Information**

## **CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT COSTS:**

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#### LINK TO ONLINE COST INFORMATION:

https://ststestingshop.secure-mall.com/category/Torrance-Tests-of-Creative-Thinking-TTCT-16



# **Department Approval Information**

**Gifted Student: Identification** 

Creative Thinking Ability (test of creative ability component)

Grades: K-12



## **Assessment Overview**

Overview for districts describing in detail the assessment, its use and how the vendor supports implementation of the assessment.

The highly reliable Torrance Tests of Creative Thinking are the most widely used tests of their kind since testing only requires the examinee to reflect upon their life experiences. These tests invite examinees to draw and give a title to their drawings (Figural - pictures) or to write questions, reasons, consequences, and different uses for objects (Verbal - words). These instruments can effectively assist with the identification of creatively gifted and talented students. The TTCT is used as a part of gifted matrices in districts across the US, especially in multicultural settings, and for special populations around the world. Published in two equivalent forms, Forms A and B, the Figural TTCT and Verbal TTCT can be used for preand post-testing purposes.

### **Figural TTCT: Thinking Creatively with Pictures**

The Figural TTCT is appropriate at all grade levels, K through 12. Three picture-based exercises assess five mental characteristics in 30 minutes of total testing time:

- fluency
- elaboration
- originality
- resistance to premature closure
- abstractness of titles

Streamlined Scoring procedure provides standardized scores for the mental characteristics listed above as well as for the following 13 creative strengths:

- emotional expressiveness
- unusual visualization
- internal visualization
- storytelling articulateness
- extending or breaking boundaries
- · movement or action
- expressiveness of titles
- humor
- synthesis of incomplete figures
- richness of imagery (figures)
- colorfulness of imagery
- synthesis of lines or circles
- fantasy

## **Verbal TTCT: Thinking Creatively with Words**

The Verbal TTCT is appropriate for grade 1 through 12. Six word-based exercises assess three mental characteristics in 45 minutes of total testing time:

- fluency
- flexibility
- originality



#### **Scoring:**

Figural TTCT and Verbal TTCT can be scored by STS or scored locally. If a school chooses to score the test locally, the TTCT scoring manuals provide an easy-to-use scoring method.

Scoring attributes include:

- Grade-related norms
- Age-related norms
- Raw Scores
- Standard Scores
- Local Percentile Rank
- National Percentile Rank
- Checklist of Creative Strengths and Creativity Index Composite (Figural)

Please contact STS for further information on STS scoring service and manuals needed for scoring locally.

#### **Implementation Support:**

STS leverages over 40 years of experience with successful implementation of the TTCT in schools and districts nationwide. Guidance and best practices for implementation are provided by STS at no cost. Effective and practical support is provided by highly experienced, live STS staff during normal business hours.

