

Appendix C

WJ IV Tests of Achievement Examiner Training Checklist

Name of Examiner: _____ Date: _____

Name of Examinee: _____ Name of Observer: _____

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| Y = Yes | N = No | N/O = Not Observed |
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Test 1: Letter-Word Identification

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Knows exact pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Asks examinee to reread all items on page if response is unclear and then scores only item in question. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Does not tell examinee any letters or words during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Gives reminder to pronounce words smoothly only once during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Encourages examinee to try next word after 5 seconds unless examinee is still actively engaged in trying to pronounce word. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 2: Applied Problems

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses worksheet in Response Booklet. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Reads all items to examinee. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Provides Response Booklet and pencil at any time if examinee requests it or appears to need it (e.g., uses finger to write on table or in air). |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Gives examinee pencil and Response Booklet at Item 25. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Repeats any questions if requested by examinee. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Does not require examinee responses to contain unit labels unless specified in Test Book correct keys. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Scores item incorrect if numeric response is wrong or if examinee provides incorrect label (required or not). |

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| Y | N | N/O | 9. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 3: Spelling

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Knows correct pronunciation of all items. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Does not penalize for poor handwriting or reversed letters as long as letter does not form different letter (e.g., reversed <i>b</i> becomes <i>d</i> and would be an error). |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Requests printed (manuscript) responses but accepts cursive responses. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Accepts upper- or lowercase responses unless case is specified. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 4: Passage Comprehension

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Begins with Introduction for examinees at preschool or kindergarten level. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Begins with Item 5 for examinees at grade 1 level. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Begins with Sample Item B for all other examinees and then selects appropriate starting point. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Does not insist on silent reading if examinee persists in reading aloud. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Does <i>not</i> tell examinee <i>any</i> words. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Accepts only one-word responses as correct unless indicated otherwise by scoring key. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Asks examinee to provide one word that goes in blank when he or she reads item aloud and provides answer in context. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Scores responses correct if they differ in verb tense or number, unless otherwise indicated. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Scores responses incorrect if examinee substitutes different part of speech, unless otherwise indicated. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 5: Calculation

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Discontinues testing and records score of 0 if examinee responds incorrectly to both sample items. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Accepts poorly formed or reversed numbers. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Scores transposed numbers (e.g., “14” for 41) as incorrect. |

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| Y | N | N/O | 6. Scores items skipped by examinee as incorrect. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Completes any applicable queries as listed in Test Book. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Does not point out mathematical signs or operands to examinee. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 6: Writing Samples

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Administers prescribed block of items. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Reads any word to examinee upon request. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Uses “Writing Samples Scoring Guide” in Appendix B of Examiner’s Manual to score items after testing. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Does not penalize for spelling, punctuation, capitalization, or usage errors unless otherwise indicated in “Writing Samples Scoring Guide.” |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Asks examinee to write as neatly as possible if responses are illegible or difficult to read. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Consults Writing Samples “Scoring Table” on Test Record to determine when additional items need to be administered (score falls in shaded area). |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Scores Items 1–6 as 1 or 0 points as indicated in “Writing Samples Scoring Guide.” |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Scores Items 7–28 as 2, 1, or 0 points as indicated in “Writing Samples Scoring Guide.” |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. Knows that .5 and 1.5 can be used to score responses that fall between 0-, 1-, and 2-point examples. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. Does not penalize for spelling or handwriting errors unless words are illegible. |
| Y | N | N/O | 13. Scores sentences that are illegible as 0. |
| Y | N | N/O | 14. Does not ask examinee to read his or her response to score item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 15. Alternates between assigning higher and lower scores when unsure of how to score certain items. |
| Y | N | N/O | 16. Scores items based on examinee’s interpretation of picture. |
| Y | N | N/O | 17. If examinee writes more than one sentence for item, selects and scores one sentence that best satisfies task demands. |
| Y | N | N/O | 18. Reduces score by 1 point for severe grammatical or usage errors or if a significant word is illegible. |
| Y | N | N/O | 19. Does not penalize minor grammatical or usage errors. |
| Y | N | N/O | 20. Rounds scores ending in .5 to nearest <i>even</i> number. |
| Y | N | N/O | 21. Enters score for only one block of items (even if more than one block was administered) into scoring program. |

Test 7: Word Attack

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Says most common sound (phoneme) for letters printed within slashes (e.g., /p/), not letter name. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Reminds examinee to say words smoothly only once during test if examinee pronounces nonword phoneme by phoneme or syllable by syllable. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Asks examinee to reread all items on page if response is unclear and then scores only item in question. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Does <i>not</i> tell examinee <i>any</i> letters or words during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Counts all items below basal as correct. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Records errors for further analysis. |

Test 8: Oral Reading

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Follows Continuation Instructions to determine what to administer or when to discontinue testing. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Has examinee read sentences aloud. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Scores as incorrect mispronunciations, omissions, insertions, substitutions, hesitations of 3 seconds, repetitions, transpositions, and ignoring punctuation. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Marks slash (/) at each point on Test Record where error occurs. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. After hesitation of 3 seconds, marks word as incorrect and tells examinee to go on to next word. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Knows that self-corrections within 3 seconds are not counted as errors. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Scores each sentence as 2 (no errors), 1 (one error), or 0 (two or more errors). |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Records Number of Points earned on items administered. |

Test 9: Sentence Reading Fluency

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses stopwatch. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Begins with sample items and practice exercise for all examinees. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Discontinues testing if examinee has 2 or fewer items correct on Practice Exercises C–F and records score of 0 on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Adheres to 3-minute time limit. |

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| Y | N | N/O | 6. | Records exact starting and stopping times if stopwatch is unavailable. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. | Records exact finishing time in minutes and seconds on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. | Reminds examinee to read each sentence if he or she appears to be answering items without reading. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. | Does not tell examinee any letters or words. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. | Reminds examinee to continue if he or she stops at bottom of page or column. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. | Counts number of correct responses and number of errors. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. | Does not count skipped items as incorrect. |
| Y | N | N/O | 13. | Enters both Number Correct and Number Incorrect into scoring program. |
| Y | N | N/O | 14. | Subtracts Number Incorrect from Number Correct when obtaining estimated AE/GE from Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 15. | Uses scoring guide overlay to facilitate scoring. |

Test 10: Math Facts Fluency

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. | Uses stopwatch. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. | Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. | Begins with Item 1 for all examinees. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. | Discontinues testing if examinee has 3 or fewer items correct after 1 minute and records time of 1 minute and Number Correct (0 to 3) on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. | Adheres to 3-minute time limit. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. | Records exact starting and stopping times if stopwatch is unavailable. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. | Records exact finishing time in minutes and seconds on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. | Does not draw attention to mathematical signs or remind examinee to pay attention to signs during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. | Does not penalize for poorly formed or reversed numbers. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. | Reminds examinee to proceed across page from left to right, row by row, if he or she starts skipping around. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. | Reminds examinee to continue if he or she stops at bottom of first page. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. | Uses scoring guide overlay to facilitate scoring. |

Test 11: Sentence Writing Fluency

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. | Uses stopwatch. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. | Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. | Begins with sample items for all examinees. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. | Discontinues testing if examinee has score of 0 on Sample Items B–D <i>after error correction</i> and records score of 0 on Test Record. |

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| Y | N | N/O | 5. Discontinues testing if examinee has 3 or fewer correct after 2 minutes and records time of 2 minutes and Number Correct (0 to 3) on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Adheres to 5-minute time limit. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Records exact starting and stopping times if stopwatch is unavailable. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Records exact finishing time in minutes and seconds on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Reads stimulus word to examinee upon request. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Reminds examinee to continue if he or she stops at bottom of page. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. Scores as correct all responses that are complete, reasonable sentences using all target words. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. Knows target words may not be changed in any way (e.g., verb tense or nouns changed from singular to plural). |
| Y | N | N/O | 13. Does not penalize for spelling, punctuation, or capitalization errors. |
| Y | N | N/O | 14. Does not penalize for poor handwriting or spelling unless response is illegible. |
| Y | N | N/O | 15. Scores skipped items as incorrect. |
| Y | N | N/O | 16. Scores responses that omit critical words as incorrect. |
| Y | N | N/O | 17. Scores responses that omit less meaningful words (e.g., <i>the</i> or <i>a</i>) as correct if all other criteria are met. |
| Y | N | N/O | 18. Accepts abbreviations (e.g., <i>w/</i> for <i>with</i>) or symbols (e.g., <i>&</i> for <i>and</i>) if all other criteria are met. |

Test 12: Reading Recall

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Follows Continuation Instructions to determine when to continue testing or when to stop. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Does <i>not</i> tell examinee <i>any</i> words during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Allows examinee to read each story silently only once. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Knows elements to be scored are listed on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Scores element as correct if examinee uses key word (in bold) or close synonym during retelling. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Does not penalize for mispronunciations resulting from articulation errors, dialect variations, or regional speech patterns. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Scores response correct if it differs from correct response listed only in possessive case, verb tense, or number (singular/plural), unless otherwise indicated in scoring key. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Knows that any number that is a key word (in bold), must be recalled exactly. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Scores derivations of names as correct (e.g., Annie for Ann). |

Test 13: Number Matrices

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Gives examinee worksheet in Response Booklet and pencil when directed. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Provides corrective feedback as indicated for Sample Items A and B. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Allows 30 seconds for Items 1–6 and 1 minute for Items 12–30 before moving to next item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Allows more time if examinee is actively engaged in solving problem. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Counts all items below basal as correct. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Records total Number Correct. |

Test 14: Editing

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Begins with Sample Items A–D for all examinees and then uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Discontinues testing if examinee has score of 0 on Sample Items A–D or on Items 1–4 and records score of 0 on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Requires examinee to clearly indicate both where error is and how to correct it to receive credit. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Does <i>not</i> tell examinee <i>any</i> words on this test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Asks examinee how to correct error if he or she reads item aloud and inadvertently corrects error in context. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Asks examinee how to correct mistake if he or she indicates error without explaining how to correct it. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 15: Word Reading Fluency

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Uses stopwatch. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Administers sample items and practice exercise to all examinees. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Discontinues testing if examinee has 1 or 0 correct on practice exercise and records score of 0 on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Adheres to 3-minute time limit. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Records exact starting and stopping times if stopwatch is unavailable. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Records exact finishing time in minutes and seconds on Test Record. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Does <i>not</i> tell examinee <i>any</i> words during test. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Uses scoring guide overlay to facilitate scoring. |

Test 16: Spelling of Sounds

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Follows standardized procedures for audio recorded tests. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Uses Response Booklet and pencil. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Presents Sample Items A–D and Items 1–5 orally and presents remaining items from audio recording. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Says most common sound (phoneme) for letters printed within slashes (e.g., /m/), not letter name. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Knows that responses listed in Test Book are only correct answers. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Does not penalize for reversed letters as long as letter does not form different letter (e.g., reversed <i>b</i> becomes <i>d</i> and would be an error). |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Scores items 1 if they are spelled correctly or 0 if they are spelled incorrectly. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Does not penalize if examinee does not repeat stimulus word or pronounces it incorrectly. Scores only written response. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Pauses or stops audio recording if examinee requires additional response time. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. Replays items examinee requests. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. Presents items orally if examinee is not responsive to audio recording. |
| Y | N | N/O | 13. Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 17: Reading Vocabulary

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. Administers both subtests (17A: Synonyms, 17B: Antonyms). |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. Begins with sample items for all examinees on each subtest. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. Uses suggested starting points for each subtest. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. Applies basal and ceiling rules correctly to each subtest. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 6. Does not read any words or items to examinee after administering sample items. |
| Y | N | N/O | 7. Accepts only one-word responses as correct, unless otherwise noted. |
| Y | N | N/O | 8. Asks for one-word answer if examinee provides two-word or longer response. |
| Y | N | N/O | 9. Scores responses correct if they differ in verb tense or number, unless otherwise indicated. |
| Y | N | N/O | 10. Scores responses incorrect if they substitute different part of speech, unless otherwise indicated. |
| Y | N | N/O | 11. Does not penalize if examinee reads stimulus word incorrectly. Scores only synonym or antonym produced. |
| Y | N | N/O | 12. Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 13. Counts all items below basal on each subtest as correct. |

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| Y | N | N/O | 14. | Records errors for further analysis. |
| Y | N | N/O | 15. | Records Number Correct for each subtest. |
| Y | N | N/O | 16. | Enters Number Correct from each subtest into scoring program. |
| Y | N | N/O | 17. | Sums scores from two subtests when obtaining estimated AE/GE from Test Record. |

Test 18: Science

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. | Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. | Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. | Repeats any item upon examinee's request. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. | Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. | Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 19: Social Studies

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. | Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. | Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. | Repeats any item upon examinee's request. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. | Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. | Counts all items below basal as correct. |

Test 20: Humanities

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| Y | N | N/O | 1. | Uses suggested starting points. |
| Y | N | N/O | 2. | Knows correct pronunciation of each item. |
| Y | N | N/O | 3. | Repeats any item upon examinee's request. |
| Y | N | N/O | 4. | Tests by complete pages. |
| Y | N | N/O | 5. | Counts all items below basal as correct. |