

Achievement Tests Pathfinder

The purpose of this pathfinder is to introduce some of the resources available in the Houston Cole Library on **Achievement Tests**. The various types of library materials useful in research are described along with some examples of each type. This pathfinder is NOT a comprehensive listing of sources, but is intended to be a starting point from which patrons can begin their research according to their specific needs.

BASIC INTRODUCTION OR OVERVIEW MATERIAL can be found in:

REF LB15.I569: *International Encyclopedia of Education*.

REF L901.E57: *Encyclopedia of Educational Research*.

REF LB15.E47: *Encyclopedia of Education*.

REF LB17.I56: *The International Encyclopedia of Teaching and Teacher Education*.

SUBJECT HEADINGS can be identified by using the Library of Congress Subject Headings located at the Information Desk on each floor. Books on ACHIEVEMENT TESTS can be located in the Library Catalog by entering a subject search. Books can be located in the Library Catalog by clicking on "Author/Title/Subject" search type. Then click on the "Subject" radio button. Last, type in your subject and press the enter key. Suggested subject headings for this topic are: Education Tests and Measurements, Competency Based Educational Tests, Achievement Tests

Related headings include:

Test Bias, Grading and Marking Students, Objective Tests

To browse the book stacks use:

Library of Congress call numbers: LB3051 on the 5th floor.

REFERENCE TOOLS

BIBLIOGRAPHIES (list of books, periodical articles, and/or other materials by subject or by author).

REF LB3051.E79: *The ETS Test Collection Catalog*.

REF Z5814.E98B8: *Tests in Print, a comprehensive bibliography of tests for use in education, psychology, and industry*.

REF Z5814.E9B82: *Tests in Print II: an index to tests, tests reviews, and the literature on specific tests*.

REF Z5814.E9T47: *Tests in Print III: an index to tests, tests reviews, and the literature on specific tests*.

REF LB3051.T442x: *Test Resource Catalog 1988*.

LB1131.E345: *Tests in Microfiche Set C: annotated index*.

BF39.5.K78: *Psychware: a Reference Guide to Computer-Based Products for Behavioral Assessment in Psychology, Education, and Business.*

DIRECTORIES (contain names, addresses, and telephone numbers of persons, organizations, and institutions).

REF LB3051.D56: *Directory of Selected National Testing Programs.*

ALMANACS OR STATISTICAL SOURCES (provide miscellaneous bits of facts and data).
LB1131.E24: *Testing Programs in Independent and Suburban Schools: Summary & Normative Data.*
RA407.3.A347 no. 109: *School Achievement of Children by Demographic and Socioeconomic Factors, United States.*

HANDBOOKS AND MANUALS (cover broad subjects in a brief, concise manner and may include odd bits of information about a variety of topics (They may also be referred to as a compendium).

LB3051.C6342x: *Comprehensive Testing Program II: a Guide to Using Test Results and National, Independent, and Suburban School Norms.*

LB3051.B58: *The Parents' Handbook on School Testing.*

LB3051.M4553: *Essentials of Testing.*

LB1131.V35: *A Teacher's Manual in the Use of the Educational Scales.*

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS are primarily annual reports, studies, and statistics from the various departments and agencies of the government. They are cataloged and shelved like other books and microforms. (There is no separate collection of government publications in this library).

ELECTRONIC DATABASES

The Mental Measurements Yearbook Database contains data from Yearbooks 9 through 15. This database, like the print version of *The Mental Measurements Yearbook* contains "fulltext information about and reviews of all English-language standardized tests covering educational skills, personality, vocational aptitude, psychology, and related areas. For each test, the database provides the name of the test, author, publication information, scoring information, and the number of the Mental Measurements Yearbook in which the test was described originally. The full text for each record includes an overview of the test, a description of the test materials and time needed, and one or more reviews of the test." WebSPIRS Database Guide.

Access the Mental Measurements Yearbook Database from our selection of [Electronic Databases for Education](#).

JOURNALS

JOURNALS held by the library can be identified by consulting the [Library Catalog](#) by searching under the journal name. Journal Titles on ACHIEVEMENT TESTS can be located in the Library Catalog by clicking on "Author/Title/Subject" search type. Then click on the "Journal Title" radio button. Last, type in your journal title and press the enter key. Use these [Electronic Databases for Education](#) to locate JOURNAL ARTICLES and other papers on achievement tests: Education Abstracts Online, EBSCOhost's Education Databases, ERIC.

A few Journals which would report on this topic are:

Periodicals BF1.E3: *Educational and Psychological Measurement*
Periodicals LB1131.A1N32: *Journal of Educational Measurement*
Periodicals LB1027.5.M38: *Measurement and Evaluation in Counseling and Development*
Periodicals L13.N27: *NASSP Bulletin*
Periodicals L11.E443: *Educational Leadership*
Periodicals L11.E265: *Education Digest*

Also, scan for education articles in the current periodical section on the 5th floor.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN services are available to graduate students and faculty. Please ask a librarian about these services.

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