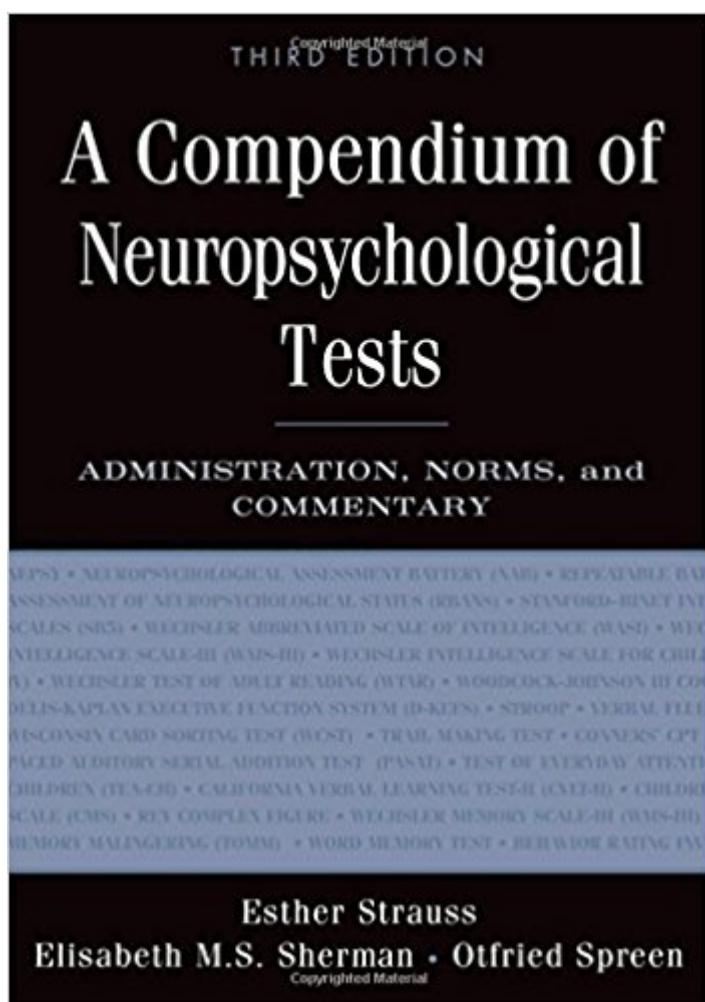


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A Compendium Of Neuropsychological Tests: Administration, Norms, And Commentary



Synopsis

For the practicing neuropsychologist or researcher, keeping up with the sheer number of newly published or updated tests is a challenge, as is evaluating the utility and psychometric properties of neuropsychological tests in a clinical context. The goal of the third edition of *A Compendium of Neuropsychological Tests*, a well-established neuropsychology reference text, is twofold. First, the Compendium is intended to serve as a guidebook that provides a comprehensive overview of the essential aspects of neuropsychological assessment practice. Second, it is intended as a comprehensive sourcebook of critical reviews of major neuropsychological assessment tools for the use by practicing clinicians and researchers. Written in a comprehensive, easy-to-read reference format, and based on exhaustive review of research literature in neuropsychology, neurology, psychology, and related disciplines, the book covers topics such as basic aspects of neuropsychological assessment as well as the theoretical background, norms, and the utility, reliability, and validity of neuropsychological tests. For this third edition, all chapters have been extensively revised and updated. The text has been considerably expanded to provide a comprehensive yet practical overview of the state of the field. Two new chapters have been added: "Psychometrics in Neuropsychological Assessment" and "Norms in Psychological Assessment." The first two chapters present basic psychometric concepts and principles. Chapters three and four consider practical aspects of the history-taking interview and the assessment process itself. Chapter five provides guidelines on report-writing and chapters six through sixteen consist of detailed, critical reviews of neuropsychological tests, and address the topics of intelligence, achievement, executive function, attention, memory, language, visual perception, somatosensory olfactory function, mood/personality, and response bias. A unique feature is the inclusion of tables that summarize salient features of tests within each domain so that readers can easily compare measures. Additional tables within each test review summarize important features of each test, highlight aspects of each normative dataset, and provide an overview of psychometric properties. Of interest to neuropsychologists, neurologists, psychiatrists, and educational and clinical psychologists working with adults as well as pediatric populations, this volume will aid practitioners in selecting appropriate testing measures for their patients, and will provide them with the knowledge needed to make empirically supported interpretations of test results.

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This is an excellent source for beginning and advanced clinicians. The descriptions of the tests and test administration are concise and easy to understand. In addition, the norms for each test are included. The tests are grouped by the what specific areas they measure (i.e., Intelligence, Achievement, Memory, and Sensory and Motor areas). Since this text covers a wide array of tests, it is well worth the investment.

The 2nd edition of the Compendium is an indispensable collection of norms for NP tests, many in the public domain. I bought the 3rd edition assuming that it would provide updated norms drawing on research in the intervening years, but I was sorely disappointed. The 3rd edition contains much less actual data than its predecessor. It is mostly a compendium of reviews of commercially available assessment products, some having nothing to do with NP. If I wanted that, I would have bought the latest Groth Marnat. I wish the editors had taken the time to incorporate norms and research findings since 1998 instead of throwing together this lazy hodgepodge.

This book is an excellent update of the previous edition. Vastly comprehensive and well organized, it is a great technical resource and an easy read. I highly recommend this book as an essential reference for neuropsychology.

Using this book makes quick work of the task of selecting the best available normative data for one's purposes. The 3rd edition of the compendium is a tremendous improvement over the previous edition. First, it's much larger than the previous edition, so a lot more information is covered. More importantly, the authors have integrated an enormous amount of information and presented it in a format that is sufficiently detailed, yet clearly written, well organized, and easy to use. Expensive on a trainee budget, but well worth the price.

I have used this book more in the short time I have had it, than almost any other psychology reference text. An absolute necessity for the neuropsychologist.

I live in Brazil and I was surprised with the very fast shipping! The books arrived just two weeks after my order!!! By the way, they arrived in a very good shape!!! I recommend shopping here!

Thorough and complete review of current tests in use. A must have for practitioners seeking

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Fantastic resource.

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