



Tele-TILLS | At-A-Glance

TILLS™ is the assessment professionals rely on to test students’ oral and written language skills—and now we have the evidence that this trusted test can be reliably administered using distance technology when you can’t see students face to face.

After a timely 2020 study supported the validity of administering TILLS virtually, the TILLS developers created supplemental Tele-TILLS materials available to guide users who are supporting students in online settings.

<p>Who developed the Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>The four authors— Nikola Wolf Nelson, Ph.D., Elena Plante, Ph.D., Nancy Helm-Estabrooks, Sc.D., and Gillian Hotz, Ph.D.—have been working as a team for more than a decade. They’re highly respected for their test-building skills and evidence-based work in the field of language and literacy assessment.</p>
<p>Why administer the Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>The Tele-TILLS allows examiners to test students’ oral and written language skills by delivering the TILLS via a video conferencing platform. The Tele-TILLS facilitates remote assessment for identifying the presence of language and literacy disorders.</p>
<p>Which students should be assessed with Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>Tele-TILLS is ideal for evaluating students between the ages of 6 and 18 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suspected of having a primary (specific) language impairment • suspected of having a learning disability, specific reading disability, or dyslexia • with existing diagnoses associated with difficulties in oral and/or written language • who are struggling with language, literacy, or social communication skills <p>The Tele-TILLS should be administered when the assessment must occur via a video conferencing platform.</p>
<p>Who can administer the Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>Tele-TILLS examiners must own a copy of the <i>TILLS Examiner’s Kit</i> and have experience in administering the TILLS using traditional face-to-face methods.</p> <p>TILLS can be administered by speech-language pathologists, special educators, reading specialists, learning disability specialists, neuropsychologists, educational psychologists, and other educational specialists trained in individualized test administration who can diagnose dyslexia and other disorders.</p>

<p>What are the components?</p>	<p>Digital Tele-TILLS Stimulus Book. This audio-enhanced stimulus book contains the stimuli needed to administer the TILLS subtests virtually.</p> <p>Tele-TILLS instructions. A PDF of clear guidelines for administering TILLS using distance technology, including technical details, materials needed, step-by-step examiner instructions, and tips on scoring and interpreting results.</p> <p>Facilitator instructions. A handy, one-page quick guide for parents and other adult facilitators who are assisting with technology setup and troubleshooting during virtual administration of TILLS.</p>
<p>What else do I need to deliver the Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>To deliver the Tele-TILLS, examiners will need paper copies of the <i>Examiner Record Form</i> and the <i>Student Response Form</i>. The Student Response Form should be delivered to the location of the student prior to testing. Both the examiner and the student must have a computer with a camera, as well as a strong Internet connection. A second camera (for instance, a smartphone camera) is recommended as possible.</p>
<p>How long does it take to administer the Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>Comprehensive assessment with TILLS or Tele-TILLS can typically be administered in just 90 minutes or less.</p>
<p>Can I use the TILLS Easy-Score™ with Tele-TILLS?</p>	<p>Yes. TILLS Easy-Score™ is your electronic scoring solution for TILLS and Tele-TILLS. Easy-Score saves you time by automating steps to complete the Examiner Record Form's Scoring Chart and Identification Chart.</p>
<p>Can I trust Tele-TILLS results?</p>	<p>Yes. The TILLS developers conducted a study between April and September of 2020 to gather the scientific evidence to determine if the test can be administered using distance technology without affecting its validity for its primary purpose of identifying the presence of a language/literacy disorder. The results of the study do support the validity of administering TILLS remotely for this purpose.</p>
<p>How many copies of Tele-TILLS do I need?</p>	<p>One copy of Tele-TILLS should be purchased for each TILLS Examiner's Kit.</p>



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Includes 3 digital downloads of the Tele-TILLS materials—1 Digital Tele-TILLS Stimulus Book, 1 Instructions for Administering TILLS Using Distance Technology, & 1 Instructions for the Adult Facilitator