# DISCOVER THE POWER OF TILLS

Screen and diagnose language & literacy disorders – with just one test kit.

Perfect for diagnosing dyslexia and other language/literacy disorders!

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# TLLS

### One test kit. Results you can trust.

Do you wish there was a better way to **diagnose language and literacy disorders**—**including dyslexia**?

Would you like to compare oral and written language abilities directly? Do you wish you had a better way to explain test results?

Then it's time to discover the Test of Integrated Language and Literacy Skills<sup>™</sup> (TILLS<sup>™</sup>), the groundbreaking assessment that **tests oral and** written language skills in students ages 6–18 years. The TILLS Examiner's Kit is the reliable, valid, and comprehensive test kit you need to:

- 1 identify and diagnose language and literacy disorders, including dyslexia
- 2 document patterns of relative strengths and weaknesses
- 3 track changes in language and literacy skills over time

#### 15 TILLS Subtests

Vocabulary Awareness Phonemic Awareness Story Retelling Nonword Repetition Nonword Spelling Listening Comprehension Reading Comprehension Following Directions Delayed Story Retelling Nonword Reading Reading Fluency Written Expression (yields 3 scores) Social Communication Digit Span Forward Digit Span Backward

Through 15 subtests measuring key skills (see sidebar), you'll assess and compare the full range of students' oral and written language and literacy skills. The resulting scores and the clear, at-a-glance TILLS Profile help you **identify and track a student's strengths and weaknesses**—information you'll use as you develop custom-tailored interventions.

One test kit. That's all you need to screen with the Student Language Scale, diagnose disorders, and monitor progress. Read on to learn more about how TILLS works, why it should be your test of choice, and how it helps you reach your ultimate goal: improving students' communication skills so they can succeed in school.

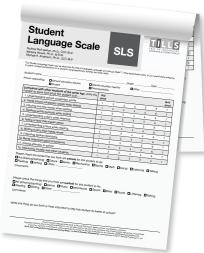
### **TILLS** How it Works

Here's how to use the TILLS Examiner's Kit to **screen for and diagnose** language and literacy disorders, including **dyslexia**.

#### SCREEN with the SLS

Cost-effective screener: just \$34.95 for a pack of 50!

First, you'll identify at-risk students with the evidencebased **Student** Language Scale (SLS), a quick and easy one-page,



12-question screener filled

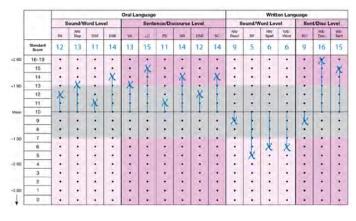
out by the teacher, parent, and student. Complete in less than five minutes, the SLS helps you:

- Screen for language/literacy disorders by gathering teachers' and parents' ratings of students. When teachers or parents rate more than two areas on items 1-8 less than 5, SLS results indicate the student is at risk and needs further assessment with TILLS.
- Gather input about a struggling student's strengths and needs from multiple sources a key requirement of IDEA
- Enhance home-school communication by gaining new insight into student performance, whether or not there are concerns

#### **DIAGNOSE** with **TILLS**

After the SLS helps you identify children at risk for a language/literacy disorder, use TILLS for diagnosis. Here's how:

- Step 1: Administer all 15 TILLS subtests.
- Step 2: Complete the first page of the Examiner's Record Form, a chart that helps you score the subtests, compare the scores to those of the student's same-age peers, and compare the sound/word composite score to the sentence discourse composite score.
- Step 3: Complete the Identification Chart to determine if the student has a disorder.
- Step 4: Complete the Profile Chart for an at-aglance, big-picture look at the student's current language and literacy skills in comparison to the quadrant model on which the TILLS is based.



Watch the webinar: Identify Dyslexia Using TILLS: http://bit.ly/TILLSdyslexia





#### **TILLS Examiner's Kit—Now with Tele-TILLS!**

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Everything you need to administer, score and interpret the TILLS test.

- Quick Start Guide. Keep this convenient laminated guide close at hand for an overview of the test, summaries of the subtests, and basic instructions for administration and scoring.
- **Examiner's Manual.** All the information you need to diagnose with TILLS. Includes information on administrating, scoring, and how to interpret scores for the TILLS subtests.
- Technical Manual. Your essential guide to TILLS development, validity and reliability, and more.
- Examiner's Practice Workbook. Get detailed practice material for scoring each subtest, transforming raw scores into standard scores, and interpreting the scores.
- **TILLS Forms.** You'll get 25 Examiner Record Forms to record and score student responses, plus 25 Student Response Forms your students will use to record responses on four TILLS subtests.
- Student Language Scale. Completed by parents, teachers, and students, this one-page checklist reveals each party's perspective on how the student is performing on academic tasks and allows you to screen for disorders.
- Stimulus Book. All the print stimuli you need to administer TILLS subtests.
- **Digital Audio Files.**Collected for you on one convenient USB, these files are for presenting the stimuli for two TILLS subtests. Additional audio files demonstrate examiner pronunciations for select subtests and provide examples of students' oral responses.
- Access to Tele-TILLS. After a timely 2020 study supported the validity of administering TILLS virtually, the TILLS developers have made supplemental Tele-TILLS materials available to guide users who are supporting students in online settings.

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Includes 1 Examiner's Manual, 1 Stimulus Book, 1 Set of Tele-TILLS Instructions, 25 Examiner Record Forms, 1 Technical Manual, 1 Quick Start Guide, 1 Examiner's Practice Workbook, 25 Student Response Forms, 50 Student Language Scales, 1 USB drive of digital audio files, and 1 tote bag

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## Top 5 Benefits of T LLS

#### Spotlight on... TILLS Technical Data: Specificity and Sensitivity

Many other tests don't provide adequate information on diagnostic accuracy—or if they do, it's often for a single group of students with a wide age range. But TILLS tested sensitivity and specificity across the *full age range* covered by the test. Each TILLS subtest meets strong psychometric standards using scientific evidence gathered in pilot studies and field trials, a national beta trial, and a standardization study with more than 1,200 students.

Diagnostic accuracy data are broken down into nine different "age bands" meaningful to the development of language and literacy skills:

AGE GROUPS	SENSITIVITY	SPECIFICITY
6-year-olds	84%	82%
7-year-olds	84%	86%
8-year-olds	97%	100%
9-year-olds	83%	81%
10-year-olds	81%	81%
11-year-olds	86%	82%
12-year-olds	83%	100%
13-year-olds	84%	86%
14- to 18-year-olds	87%	87%

Sensitivity and specificity for screening with the TILLS SLS are also strong for ratings made by teachers and parents:

AGE GROUPS	SENSITIVITY	SPECIFICITY
Teachers	90%	90%
Parents	85%	83%

- 1. More comprehensive assessment. TILLS is the only test that assesses both oral AND written language with a unique framework that shows how these skills relate to each other.
- 2. More accurate diagnosis. The manual provides diagnostic accuracy in "age bands" meaningful to the development of language and literacy skills. That means you'll have the evidence base you need to determine if test scores reflect typical or impaired performance.
- **3. One test is best.** With TILLS, you get the full picture of oral and written language skills with just one test kit.
- 4. Powerful TILLS profile. TILLS profiles give you an at-a-glance understanding of your students' strengths and needs—something other tests can't offer. These profiles help you communicate with others, pinpoint what to work on, diagnose and recognize profiles of disorders, and easily track changes in specific areas of concern.
- 5. A real time-saver. If you're an experienced clinician, you can administer TILLS in 90 minutes or less. (It can also be chunked into several sessions.) You'll spend less time testing and more time helping students. The time you do spend testing will be meaningful and relevant to understanding your students' needs.

Learn more at www.brookespublishing.com/tills: Access the free TILLS Easy-Score, learn about the TILLS Practice Kits for training sessions, read a Q&A with the TILLS developers, watch TILLS webinars, and download your free TILLS sampler.



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### DISCOVER THE TEST TRUSTED BY EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS ACROSS THE COUNTRY



"TILLS is an excellent comprehensive tool for all ages of students."

-Jayne Trombley, MA CCC-SLP, retired public school speech/language pathologist

"With TILLS, I can give one assessment and get a wealth of information rather than giving multiple assessments."

-Audrey Adams, reading specialist

"I would recommend TILLS to any and all school-based SLPs."

-Indira D.B. Feustel, M.S., CCC-SLP, speech-language pathologist

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— Open to learn more!