

Literacy and Numeracy Tool message for learners

What is the Literacy and Numeracy Tool?

The Literacy and Numeracy Tool is an online literacy and numeracy assessment tool used to measure your literacy (reading) and numeracy (everyday Maths) skills. It was developed by the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) who want to make sure everyone in New Zealand has skills to help with their employment. As part of the programme you are enrolled in, we will assess your reading and numeracy. There are two assessments for literacy and numeracy for you to complete:

Entry assessments: All students will complete one numeracy and one literacy assessment, each having 30 - 35 questions. Results: if you get a Step 4 or above for reading or a Step 5 or above for numeracy you will not have to repeat these assessments at the end of your course.

Exit assessments: 18 – 25 questions for each assessment.

- These assessments are **not** timed.
- You may use a calculator for the numeracy assessment.
- You may use a dictionary for the reading assessment.

When do I do these assessments?

- **Entry assessments:** within the first three weeks of the course
- **Exit assessments:** within the last two weeks of course
- All assessments are completed online on the LNAAT website. The website can be found at: <https://assess.literacyandnumeracyforadults.com/Login.aspx?timeout>

How do I do the Literacy and Numeracy Tool?

- Your tutor will give you a code to enter at

<https://assess.literacyandnumeracyforadults.com/Login.aspx?timeout>

- This entry code gives you access to the online assessment
- You can do some practice questions before the real one
- The questions are multichoice
- Make sure you scroll down to read all of the text you are given
- Take your time reading and read carefully



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Why are my literacy and numeracy skills assessed?

- Literacy and numeracy skill development is an important and compulsory part of Level 1 – 3 courses across New Zealand
- The results from this Literacy and Numeracy Tool lets your tutors and those who support you best meet your learning needs. It also lets you and your tutors track your literacy and numeracy progress at the end of your course.

Benefits of the Literacy and Numeracy Tool

- Gives you and your tutors an idea of what your literacy and numeracy skills are at the beginning of the course to support your learning needs.
- Allows you and your tutors to track progress
- Literacy and numeracy skills are needed not only for your course but in the workplace
- You can put your Literacy and Numeracy Tool results in your CV
- Employers are placing more importance on literacy and numeracy skills and you can share these results with them

How do I know how well I've done?

- As soon as you complete the assessment you can see the results
- Your skills show up on Steps 1 – 6 of the Learning Progressions
- Click on the koru to see what it says about your step
- You can also click on the next step up to see what you will need to learn next
- You can print out your results by clicking on the 'export to PDF' link
- The assessment results are split into many areas (e.g. numeracy includes: adding, subtracting, multiplying, division, fractions, estimating, etc.)
- Your results show your strengths and weaknesses – you could be strong at estimating, but need help with fractions, for example.
- Talk with your tutor about your results.

What the Literacy and Numeracy Tool isn't

- The Literacy and Numeracy Tool is **not** a test. There is no pass or fail.
- The results from the Literacy and Numeracy Tool do **not** have anything to do with your enrolment or your course work results or grades.

Please feel free to ask any other questions that you may have about this.