

**Test:** Cognitive Style Preference Test

**Source:** Langley-Porter Neuropsychiatric Institute

**Purpose:** The Cognitive Style Preference Test was developed for use in differentiating between individuals preferring a gestalt-oriented cognitive style as compared with a verbally-oriented cognitive style. For the purpose of the program this instrument is administered to determine whether individuals exhibiting enhanced functioning prefer, as a group, one style of cognitive functioning predominantly as compared with individuals in a control group. The test is administered once to each subject.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SUBJECT: COGNITIVE STYLE PREFERENCE TEST

Please do not turn over the pages until I ask you to do so. On each page of this booklet there are sets of three items arranged in rows. Two of them are alike or fit together in some way. Your task is to select which one is different and doesn't belong with the other two. The two columns on the first page are samples. There are three designs or shapes in each row. Each design has a word printed on it. In the first row of the first column all the words are the same. Most people would say that the first and second shapes go together and the third one doesn't belong. Would you agree? (If not, explain.) Mark the third one with an X then. In the second row most people would say that the first one is different and the last two go together. Do you agree? Then mark the first one with an X.

In the third row the shapes are all the same, but the words HORSE and SADDLE go together and the word FAULT doesn't belong. Do you agree? (If not, explain.) Mark the third one with an X.

Which would you pick as the odd one in the 4th row? [Color (2nd one)]

In the 5th row you could choose either a word that doesn't belong or a shape that doesn't belong. Which is the odd word? (TROUT.) Which is the odd shape? [the CIRCLE (DIME)] Either one of these answers is right. Mark either one of them.

The last row also has two possible right answers. Which is the odd word? (SHIRT.) Which is the odd shape? [The second one (DOG)] Mark either one of them with an X.

On some of these sets people find it easier or more natural to pick out the odd word, and on some they find it easier to pick out the odd shape. Either way is correct. We want you to make your selections whichever way seems most comfortable and natural to you. Mark only once in each row, and go as fast as you can. Your score will be how long it takes you to get to the end. Any questions so far?

The second column has more samples. When I say begin, please mark an odd member in each row, and say "STOP" as soon as you finish this sample column.  
BEGIN.

(Check forced choices--)

Any questions? Then when I say "BEGIN" turn over the next page. Work as fast as you can, and continue until you have finished the booklet, then say "STOP". Ready? BEGIN.







