

Digit Span 1

Subject ID

Date

ADMINISTER QUESTIONS:

- (1) READ EACH DIGIT SPAN ONLY ONCE AT AN EVEN RATE OF 1 DIGIT PER SECOND.
- (2) READ PART A OF QUESTION; PAUSE FOR RESPONSE, THEN SCORE.
- (3) READ PART B OF QUESTION; PAUSE FOR RESPONSE, THEN SCORE.
- (4) IF SUBJECT DOES NOT RESPOND, DO NOT ENCOURAGE FURTHER.
- (5) STOP WHEN SUBJECT MISSES BOTH A AND B IN ANY ROW.
- (6) TO BE SCORED CORRECT, NO DIGITS MAY BE OMITTED OR OUT OF ORDER.

READ: I am going to say some numbers. Listen carefully, and when I am through, say them right after me. SAY: "Ready" BEFORE EACH QUESTION.

Digits	A.	Correct?	B.	Correct?
3	5-7-4		2-5-9	
4	7-2-9-6		8-4-9-3	
5	4-1-3-5-7		9-7-8-5-2	
6	1-6-5-2-9-8		3-6-7-1-9-4	
7	8-5-9-2-3-4-2		4-5-7-9-2-8-1	
8	6-9-1-6-3-2-5-8		3-1-7-9-5-4-8-2	
9	9-6-4-2-1-7-8-3-5		5-3-8-7-1-9-6-2-4	

READ: Now I am going to say some more numbers, but this time when I stop, I want you to say them backward. For example, if I say 9-2-7, what would you say?

PAUSE FOR THE SUBJECT TO RESPOND. DID SUBJECT RESPOND CORRECTLY (7-2-9)?

- YES (7-2-9) SAY: That's right. Let's go on with the rest of the numbers.
- NO: SAY: No, you would say 7-2-9. I said 9-2-7, so to say it backward you would say 7-2-9. Now try these numbers. Remember, you are to say them backward: 3-6-5.

WHETHER THE SUBJECT IS CORRECT OR WRONG ON THE SECOND EXAMPLE, THE TEST WILL PROCEED.

Digits	A.	Correct?	B.	Correct?
2	2-5		6-3	
3	3-8-6		6-1-2	
4	3-4-1-7		6-1-5-8	
5	8-4-2-3-9		5-2-1-8-6	
6	3-8-9-1-7-4		7-9-6-4-8-3	
7	5-1-7-4-2-3-8		9-8-5-2-1-6-3	
8	1-6-4-5-9-7-6-3		2-9-7-6-3-1-5-4	

Final Score: Obtain a final score for the forward and backward series separately. Circle the number of digits of the longest span correctly recalled across the test items (9 possible for forward and 8 possible for backward).