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A total population of 111,059 children was rated using the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ assessment system for the fall, 2010 checkpoint. These children received educational services in 735 different programs at 3,792 different centers that were located in all regions of the United States. These programs and centers included Head Start, private childcare, and school-based sites. All fifty states and the District of Columbia were represented. Most of the participating centers use The Creative Curriculum ${ }^{\circledR}$ and had been using The Creative Curriculum Developmental Continuum for Ages 3-5 assessment system prior to this study. A total of 8,042 different raters (teachers) provided the ratings. Each teacher received training in the use of the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{T M}$ assessment system and rated an average of 13.8 children.

The total population of children rated using the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ assessment system was divided into three month age bands. A total of 24 age bands were created with the youngest children falling into the 0-2 month category and the oldest children falling into the 69-71 month category. These strata were based on the ages of the children in months at the time of the first assessment. The fall assessment date was October 29, 2010. This date represents the final date for teachers to enter ratings into the online assessment system. Ratings were based on a portfolio of evidences that the teachers
collected up to that date, including anecdotal records and artifacts. The children in the population span the entire age range for which the assessment system is intended (birth through kindergarten).

The teachers collected information about the race and ethnicity of each child and entered this information into the online system. The questions they answered about each child were the same as those used by the U.S. Census Bureau. Given that Hispanic identity is an ethnicity, not a racial grouping, and given the importance of representing children of Hispanic ethnicity in the norm sample, the race and ethnicity variables were combined into the following seven ethnic subgroups: 1.) White, not Hispanic, 2.) African-American, not Hispanic, 3.) Native American, not Hispanic, 4.) Asian, not Hispanic, 5.) Hawaiian / Pacific Islander, not Hispanic, 6.) multiracial, not Hispanic, and 7.) Hispanic. A norm sample was created by sampling from the total population of children rated using the measure. The goal was to represent each of the 24 three month age strata with 500 randomly selected children for a total norm sample of 12,000 children. The sampling procedure was conducted to match the U.S. Census Bureau 2009 estimates for children ages birth to 5 years 11 months with respect to the seven ethnic subgroups.

For 17 of the 24 age strata, there were sufficient numbers of children in the population to sample 500 children in their proper proportions so as to match the U.S. Census Bureau 2009 estimates with respect to ethnic subgroup. These strata covered ages 15 months to 65 months and represent the ages for which the assessment is most widely used. At the extreme upper and lower ends of the age distribution, 0 to 14 months and 66 to 71 months, there were not enough children in the total population to allow for sampling. Each of these strata contained less than 500 children and all children in the population that
fell into these age strata were retained in the norm sample. Therefore the total norm sample was less than the targeted $12,000(n=10,963)$ and the total distribution of the seven ethnic subgroups across the norm sample did not exactly match the national population estimates.

As shown in Table 1, the total population of children rated using the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ assessment system for the fall, 2010 checkpoint does not exactly match the U.S. Census Bureau estimates for the U.S. population of children under the age of 6 . White children are somewhat under-represented and African-American children are somewhat over-represented. In the norm sample the ethnic subgroups were more closely represented in their proper proportions. Hispanic children were very closely matched to national estimates ( $25.5 \%$ Census estimates vs. $26.0 \%$ norm sample). White children were slightly under-represented (52.1\% Census estimates vs. 48.5\% norm sample). AfricanAmerican children were slightly over-represented (13.6\% Census estimates vs. 16.3\% norm sample). Children of all other ethnic subgroups were closely represented in their overall proper proportion ( $8.9 \%$ Census estimates vs. $9.2 \%$ norm sample). Since the ethnic subgroups percentages in the norm sample were close to those in the Census estimates, unweighted data was used for all analyses.

A total of 10,963 children were retained in the norm sample. These children received educational services in 618 different programs at 2,525 different centers that were located in all regions of the United States. These programs and centers included Head Start, private childcare, and school-based sites. Forty eight states and the District of Columbia were represented. A total of 4,580 different raters (teachers) provided the ratings.

## Exploratory Factor Analysis

The first step in demonstrating evidence for the reliability and validity of the information yielded by the use of the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{T M}$ assessment system was to conduct an exploratory factor analysis. The full norm sample of 10,963 was randomly divided into two samples of approximately 5,500 children. Half of the norm sample was used for an exploratory factor analysis and the remaining half was used for a confirmatory factor analysis. The exploratory factor analysis was conducted using principal axis factoring and oblimin rotation with Kaiser Normalization. These methods were chosen because the theoretical domains of child development upon which the measure is based, are expected to correlate with each other as operationalized into a series of teacher ratings.

A five factor solution emerged that accounted for $71.99 \%$ of the variance in the ratings. The five factor solution very closely matched the theoretical domains of child developmental that the test developers intended. Simple structure was clearly achieved as no item loaded on more than one factor. All of the items from the Social-Emotional domain (1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 3a, and 3b) loaded on the same factor with factor loadings that ranged from .429 to .846 . The highest loading was for item 3a. This item focuses on children cooperating in group situations by balancing their needs with the needs of others and helps represents the overall construct of social development for young children.

The second factor replicated the Physical domain of development and contained all of the items from this section of the measure $(4,5,6,7 a$, and $7 b)$ with loadings that ranged from .507 to .762 . The highest loading was for item 5 which focuses on balancing skills. The third factor contained all of the items from the Language section of the measure $(8 \mathrm{a}, 8 \mathrm{~b}$, 9a, 9b, 9c, 9d, 10a, and 10b) with loadings that ranged from .398 to .894 . The highest
loading was for item 9c which focuses on using spoken language to express thoughts and needs with a particular focus on understandable grammar. The fourth factor contained all of the items from the Cognitive domain of development (11a, 11b, 11d, 11e, 12a, 12b, 13, 14a, and 14b) with loadings that ranged from .301 to .456 . The highest loading was for $11 e$ which focuses on demonstrating positive approaches to learning by showing flexibility and inventiveness. The final factor contained all of the items from both the Literacy and Mathematics domains (15a, 15b,15c, 16a, 16b, 17a, 17b, 18a, 18b, 18c, 19a, 19b, 20a, 20b, 20c, 21a, 21b, 22, and 23) with loadings that ranged from .527 to .952 . The highest loading was for item 16b which focuses on alphabet knowledge and letter-sound knowledge.

It is not clear why all of these items loaded together rather than on separate factors. However, it is important to note that while the ratings for all of the items on the other factors (1a to 14b) yielded approximately normal distributions of ratings on the 0 to 9 scale, the items on these two sections of the measure (15a to 23) consistently yielded positively skewed distributions. Since these developmental milestones generally emerge in children toward the upper end of the intended age range for the measure, teachers naturally were giving ratings at the lowest end of the rating scale for most of the very youngest children in the norm sample, thus creating very skewed distributions for these items. It is therefore possible that natural maturation and the fact that these items are more appropriate for children toward the upper end of the intended age range for the measure may be impacting the inter-item correlations.

## Confirmatory Factor Analysis

The factorial structure of the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{T M}$ was examined using confirmatory factor analysis (CFA) with full-information maximum likelihood (FIML) estimation in Mplus (Muthén \& Muthén, 2008). A six-factor model at the item level that corresponds to the designed structure of the instrument was examined. The chi-square test can be used to evaluate model fit. However, given the sensitivity of this test to sample sizes, alternative goodness-of-fit indices were used to evaluate model fit including Standardized Root Mean Square Residual (SRMR), Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA), and Comparative Fit Index (CFI). RMSEA values $\leq .05$ are considered a good fit, values between .05 and .08 indicates reasonable fit and values $\geq .10$ are unacceptable (Browne \& Cudeck, 1993). More recently, RMSEA values $<0.06$ and SRMR values $<0.08$ were recommended as a good fit (Hu \& Bentler, 1999). Generally, a CFI value of at least . 90 is required to accept a model (Hu \& Bentler, 1998) and more recently, a more stringent criterion of CFI values $\geq .95$ has been recommended (Hu \& Bentler, 1999).

Results of the CFA showed a significant chi-square statistics
$\left(\chi_{1209}^{2}=29683.91, p<.01\right)$, which is not surprising given this study's large sample size. The six-factor model fit the data reasonably well, as evidenced by $\mathrm{SRMR}=0.033, \mathrm{CFI}=0.931$, and RMSEA $=.066$. The standardized factor loadings for this model are provided in Tables 5 and 6. All factor loadings were generally large and statistically significant at $\mathrm{p}<.001$. The correlations between the six scales were also large (values ranged from 0.786 to 0.960 ) and statistically significant at $\mathrm{p}<.001$.

The overall results supported the first-order six-factor model. However, the high correlations between the scales may indicate either the presence of a higher-order factor structure or a single first-order factor structure. Both the higher-order factor and the single
factor model were tested, but did not improve the fit of the model and produced even worse fit (For the higher-order factor model, SRMR $=0.041$, $\mathrm{CFI}=0.923$, and RMSEA $=.070$; for the single factor model, $\mathrm{SRMR}=0.046, \mathrm{CFI}=0.828$, and $\mathrm{RMSEA}=.104$ ) as compared with the first-order factor model with the six factors. Based on these results, the data best fits the current first-order six-factor model.

## Rasch Analyses

Rasch scaling, the one parameter IRT model, was used to create ability estimates for each child on each construct and to examine the measurement properties of the information provided by each item. Data were analyzed using the Rasch Rating Scale Model (RSM; Andrich, 1978), with Winsteps software (Linacre, 2009). A separate Rasch analysis was conducted for each of the six domains of development identified in the factor analysis. Dimensionality

Rasch modeling assumes what is called unidimensionality, meaning that the items in question measure one and only one underlying latent construct. The unidimensionality of each scale was evaluated by using Mean Square (MNSQ) item fit statistic and Rasch Principal Components Analysis of Residuals (PCAR). The MNSQ fit values between 0.6 and 1.4 are considered reasonable for rating scale items (Bond \& Fox, 2007). For PCAR, a variance of greater than $50 \%$ explained by measures is considered good, supporting for scale unidimensionality. If a secondary dimension has an eigenvalue of smaller than 3 and accounts for less than $5 \%$ of the unexplained variance, unidimensionality is considered plausible (Linacre, 2009).

## Social Emotional Scale (9 items)

The principal component analysis of the residuals showed that for the Social Emotional scale, the Rasch dimension explained $82.9 \%$ of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 43.6. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 2.2 and accounted only for $4 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Physical Scale (5 items)

The principal component analysis of the residual showed that for the Physical scale, the Rasch dimension explained $86.0 \%$ of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 30.7. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 1.8 and accounted only for $5 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Language Scale (8 items)

The principal component analysis of the residual showed that for the Language scale, the Rasch dimension explained $88.4 \%$ of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 61.2. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 1.6 and accounted only for $2 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Cognitive Scale (10 items)

The principal component analysis of the residual showed that for the Cognitive scale, the Rasch dimension explained 85.5\% of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 58.9. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 2.1 and accounted only for $3 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Literacy Scale (12 items)

The Rasch dimension explained $79.9 \%$ of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 47.7. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 2.2 and accounted for $3.6 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Mathematics Scale (7 items)

The Rasch dimension explained $82.2 \%$ of the variance in the data, with its eigenvalue of 32.4. The first contrast (the largest secondary dimension) had an eigenvalue of 1.7 and accounted for $4.2 \%$ of the unexplained variance. These results indicated that the data satisfied the unidimensionality assumption of the Rasch model.

## Model Fit

The fit statistics for all of the Social Emotional items were well within acceptable limits: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.81 to 1.27 ; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.78 to 1.28 . The fit statistics for all of the Physical items were well within acceptable limits: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.89 to 1.21 ; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.89 to 1.30. The fit statistics for all of the Language items were well within acceptable limits: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.81 to 1.27 ; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.78 to 1.28. The fit statistics for all of the Cognitive items were well within acceptable limits: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.84 to 1.27; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.83 to 1.25 . All Literacy items except one (item 16a) exhibited good fit to the unidimensional Rasch model: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.69 to 1.33; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.62 to 1.31 . Item 16 a slightly beyond the 1.4 cutoff (infit MNSQ = 1.79; outfit MNSQ = 1.40). All Mathematics items except one (item 20c) exhibited good fit to the unidimensional Rasch model: the infit MNSQ ranged from 0.67 to
1.14; the outfit MNSQ ranged from 0.67 to 1.10 . Item 20 c slightly beyond the 1.4 cutoff (infit MNSQ = 1.57; outfit MNSQ = 1.36). With very few exceptions, these model fit statistics suggest that the data does in fact fit the Rasch rating scale model very well. Acceptable model fit indexes are also an indication that the assumption of unidimensionality within each construct is met.

## Rating Category Effectiveness

The items are measured on a 10 -point scale labeled 0 through 9 . The use of rating scale categories was examined, which can provide information about whether teachers utilize the instrument in the manner in which it was intended. It is recommended that each rating category has a minimum of 10 observations. The average of the ability estimates for all persons in the sample who chose that particular response category was examined (Bond \& Fox, 2007). Average measure score should advance monotonically with rating scale category values. Thresholds (also called step calibrations) are the difficulties estimated for choosing one response category over another (Bond \& Fox, 2007). Thresholds should also increase monotonically with rating scale category. The magnitudes of the distances between adjacent category thresholds should be large enough so that each step defines a distinct position and each category has a distinct peak in the probability curve graph (Bond \& Fox, 2007).

For the Social Emotional Scale, the average measure increased with the category level and the thresholds advanced with the categories. For the Physical Scale, the average measure increased with the category level and the thresholds advanced with the categories. For the Language Scale, the average measure generally increased with the category level and the thresholds advanced with the categories. However, there was substantial overlap
between category 0 and category 1 . It is possible that a rating of 1 may not have been quite distinct and seemed somewhat redundant with the 0 category for the raters. For the Cognitive Scale, the average measure increased with the category level. The thresholds advanced with the categories. For the Literacy Scale, the average measure increased with the category level. The thresholds advanced with the categories, except between category 7 and category 8. An examination of the Rasch category probability curves indicated that category 7 may not have been quite distinct and seemed somewhat redundant with adjacent categories. For the Mathematics Scale, the average measure increased with the category level except between category 8 and category 9. The thresholds advanced with the categories.

## Item Difficulty Measures

## Social Emotional Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's ability to solve social problems (3b) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the item pertaining to a child's ability to respond to emotional cues (2b) was estimated as the easiest item.

## Physical Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's ability to use writing tools (7b) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the item pertaining to a child's ability to walk (4a) was estimated as the
easiest item. The item pertaining to a child's ability to use their fingers and hands (7a) was also rated as approximately as easy as the item pertaining to walking.

## Language Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's ability to tell about another time or place (9d) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the item pertaining to a child's ability to ability to comprehend language (8a) was estimated as the easiest item.

## Cognitive Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's use of classification skills (13) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the item pertaining to a child's ability to attend and engage (11a) was estimated as the easiest item.

## Literacy Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's use of letter-sound knowledge (16b) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the item pertaining to a child's use and appreciation of books (17a) was estimated as the easiest item.

## Mathematics Scale

The item location hierarchy appeared to be consistent with the expected developmental trajectory for typically developing children. For example, the item pertaining to a child's ability of connecting numerals with quantities (20c) was found to be the most difficult item, whereas the items pertaining to a child's ability to explore and describe spatial relationships and shapes (21a and 21b) were estimated as the two easiest items.

Taken as a whole the item difficulty statistics indicate that the test developers were very successful in creating measures that offer a developmental pathway of sequential milestones that agree with developmental theory.

## Reliability

Reliability was evaluated using person separation index, item separation index, person reliability, and item reliability provided by Winsteps. The person separation index, an estimate of the adjusted person standard deviation divided by the average measurement error, indicates how well the instrument can discriminate persons on each of the constructs. The item separation index indicates an estimate in standard error units of the spread or separation of items along the measurement constructs. Reliability separation indexes greater than 2 are considered adequate (Bond \& Fox, 2007). High person or item reliability means that there is a high probability of replicating the same separation of persons or items across measurements. Specifically, person separation reliability estimates the replicability of person placement across other items measuring the same construct. Similarly, item separation reliability estimates the replicability of item placement along the construct development pathway if the same items were given to another sample with similar ability levels.

The person reliability provided by Winsteps is equivalent to the traditional test reliability whereas the item reliability has no traditional equivalent. Low values in person and item reliability may indicate a narrow range of person or item measures. It may also indicate that the number of items or the sample size under study is too small for stable estimates (Linacre, 2009).

## Social Emotional Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appear to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 4.88, person reliabilities of .96 , item separation indexes of 56.39, and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was 969 , indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Physical Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appear to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 4.32, person reliabilities of .95 , item separation indexes of 38.59 , and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was .957, indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Language Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appears to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 5.76 , person reliabilities of .97 , item separation indexes of 49.70, and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was .977, indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Cognitive Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appear to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 6.65 , person reliabilities of .98 , item separation indexes of 50.79, and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was 980 , indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Literacy Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appear to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 4.75, person reliabilities of .96 , item separation indexes of 57.36, and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was .977, indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Mathematics Scale

Based on the Rasch reliability indexes, the scale appear to be highly reliable, as evidenced by person separation indexes of 4.64, person reliabilities of .96 , item separation indexes of 43.41, and item reliabilities of .99. The Cronbach's alpha reliability coefficient for this scale was .972, indicating high internal consistency reliability.

## Inter-Rater Reliability

An inter-rater reliability study was conducted by examining the correlations between the rating of a master trainer and the ratings of teachers who are current users of the system. This study was conducted by first having a master trainer rate 18 children on all items contained in the measure. These children ranged in age from 5 to 71 months of age. Next, a sample of 557 teachers examined video tapes of these same children and provided their ratings across all items in the assessment system. These teachers provided 2,558 separate child assessments and rated an average of 4.59 children (minimum 1,
maximum 9). Each teacher rated only those children who matched the age group with they work and thus no teacher rated all 18 children.

Raw scores were created for both the master trainer and the participating teachers by taking the sum of the ratings across the items for each of the 6 developmental domains. The correlations between the teacher ratings and the ratings by the master trainer were all high. All were above .80 and all but one were above .90 (see table 8). The highest level of agreement was found for the Literacy section of the measure ( $r=.939$ ). Given that reliability is an extremely important concern when considering the value of teacher ratings, these values are very encouraging.

Future analyses will focus on variance decomposition whereby the percentage of variance in the ratings that can be attributed to child age, within teacher variability, and between teacher variability will be examined. These results will provide another important indicator of the magnitude of any potential teacher or rater effects. In addition, future analyses will examine the percentage of agreement between teachers and the master trainer at the item level. It will be important to examine extent to which teachers can agree with a master trainer at not just the level of the scale score, but also at the level of the individual item by item ratings. These item level data will be used by teachers for instructional planning, communicating with parents, and generally developing a greater understanding of the developmental progress of individual children. Therefore high levels of agreement for each item will also be important to demonstrate.

## Scale Scores and Norm Tables

The totality of the evidence from the factor analysis and Rasch modeling suggested that scale scores for each of the developmental domains outlined by the test developers
would be appropriate. The scale scores were created by first creating interval level Rasch rating scale ability estimates. The ability estimates were then rescaled to conform to a distribution with a mean of 500 and standard deviation of 100 . Values three or more standard deviations below the mean were given a value of 200 and values three or more standard deviations above the mean were given a value of 800 . This scaling strategy is commonly used in educational and psychological testing.

The children were separated into three month age bands based on their age in months at the time of the first assessment of the academic year. The data contained in this report was collected in October of 2010 and was used as the fall assessment by the participating teachers, schools, and programs. For each scale score and three month age band the tables include the mean, standard deviation, and quartile boundaries for both the raw scores and the scale scores. The raw scores are simply the sum of the item scores across the 0 to 9 rating scales for each developmental domain. Tables are included for all three month age bands from 6 months to 71 months of age. The youngest two age bands, 0-2 months and 3-5 months, are not included in the norm tables due to insufficient numbers of children. An attempt will be made to gather more data on children in these age bands for the winter and spring assessments in order to include them in subsequent reports.

Table 9 includes the distributional characteristics for the overall norm sample across age bands for each scale score. The means for each scale score are generally occurring most commonly for children around 36 months of age which is the middle of the age range for which the measure is intended. Correlations with age in months are also included. The scale scores correlate moderately strongly with age ( $r=.673-.731$ ). These
results suggest that teachers are generally giving higher scores to older children and lower scores to younger children, while also discriminating between children of similar ages but differing rates of development as expected.

As can be seen in both the raw score and scale score norm tables (Tables 10-21) the mean scores for the age bands increase with age at a steady pace, enabling the tracking of developmental progress for children on an interval scale from year to year using the same measure. The quartile boundaries are also included to enable teachers to understand approximately where a child's falls relative to other children in the norm sample.

Given the limited amount of data for the very youngest children (0-5 months), teachers may choose to use the scale scores with caution for these children. Item level data may be more important for instructional planning for these children. Future analyses will continue to examine this issue as more data becomes available. Future analyses will also focus on including winter and spring norms.

## Summary

Overall, the Teaching Strategies GOLD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ assessment system appears to be yield highly reliable scores as indicated by both the classical and Rasch reliability statistics. Results of the factor analyses showed that the ratings loaded onto the constructs generally as intended by the test development team. Analyses of the dimensionality of each scale score strongly suggest that the GOLD ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ assessment system ratings measure six distinct domains of development and that each satisfies the Rasch model assumption of unidimensionality. The model fit statistics suggest that the data are a good fit for the Rasch rating scale model. These results also strongly suggest that teacher's are able to make valid
ratings of the developmental progress of children across the intended age range, from birth through 72 months.

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Table 1
Norm Sample by Ethnic Subgroup.

|  | 2009 <br> Census |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Racial and Ethnic Subgroup | GOLD <br> Population | Bureau <br> Estimates | Norm <br> Sample |
|  |  |  |  |
| White, not Hispanic | $43.2 \%$ | $52.1 \%$ | $48.5 \%$ |
| African American, not Hispanic | $21.7 \%$ | $13.6 \%$ | $16.3 \%$ |
| Native American, not Hispanic | $1.2 \%$ | $0.9 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ |
| Asian, not Hispanic | $1.9 \%$ | $4.5 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ |
| Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, not Hispanic | $0.4 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ | $0.2 \%$ |
| Multirace, not Hispanic | $4.0 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ | $4.2 \%$ |
| Hispanic | $27.7 \%$ | $25.5 \%$ | $26.0 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |

Note. GOLD population $\mathrm{n}=111,059$; US population $\mathrm{n}=25,485,229$; norm sample $n=10,963$.

Table 2
Frequency by Three Month Age Band.

| Months | Frequency | Percent |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| $0-2$ | 225 | $2.1 \%$ |
| $3-5$ | 371 | $3.4 \%$ |
| $6-8$ | 417 | $3.8 \%$ |
| $9-11$ | 391 | $3.6 \%$ |
| $12-14$ | 484 | $4.4 \%$ |
| $15-17$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $18-20$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $21-23$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $24-26$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $27-29$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $30-32$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $33-35$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $36-38$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $39-41$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $42-44$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $45-47$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $48-50$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $51-53$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $54-56$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $57-59$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $60-62$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $63-65$ | 500 | $4.6 \%$ |
| $66-68$ | 330 | $3.0 \%$ |
| $69-71$ | 245 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Total | 10963 | $100.0 \%$ |
|  |  |  |

Table 3
Norm Sample by Census Region and State

| Region | State | n | Percent | Region | State | n | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Northeast and DC | CT | 78 | 18.8\% | South | AL | 101 | 3.9\% |
|  | MA | 91 | 22.0\% |  | AR | 14 | 0.5\% |
|  | ME | 1 | 2.0\% |  | DE | 6 | 0.2\% |
|  | NH | 4 | 1.0\% |  | FL | 527 | 20.2\% |
|  | NJ | 53 | 12.8\% |  | KY | 70 | 2.7\% |
|  | NY | 102 | 24.6\% |  | LA | 36 | 1.4\% |
|  | PA | 49 | 11.8\% |  | MD | 3 | 0.1\% |
|  | RI | 27 | 6.5\% |  | MS | 14 | 0.5\% |
|  | VT | 9 | 2.2\% |  | NC | 208 | 8.0\% |
|  | DC | 503 | 4.6\% |  | OK | 491 | 18.8\% |
|  | Total | 917 | 8.4\% |  | SC | 27 | 1.0\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | TN | 160 | 6.1\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | TX | 187 | 7.2\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | VA | 45 | 1.7\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | WV | 716 | 27.5\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Total | 2605 | 23.8\% |
| Midwest | IA | 329 | 6.6\% | West | AK | 61 | 2.5\% |
|  | IL | 2378 | 47.9\% |  | AZ | 137 | 5.5\% |
|  | IN | 309 | 6.2\% |  | CA | 124 | 5.0\% |
|  | KS | 272 | 5.5\% |  | CO | 1140 | 46.0\% |
|  | MI | 402 | 8.1\% |  | HI | 113 | 4.6\% |
|  | MN | 5 | 0.1\% |  | ID | 8 | 0.3\% |
|  | MO | 189 | 3.8\% |  | NM | 20 | 0.8\% |
|  | ND | 74 | 1.5\% |  | NV | 52 | 2.1\% |
|  | NE | 361 | 7.3\% |  | OR | 384 | 15.5\% |
|  | OH | 446 | 9.0\% |  | SD | 30 | 1.2\% |
|  | WI | 196 | 4.0\% |  | UT | 10 | 0.4\% |
|  | Total | 4961 | 45.3\% |  | WA | 360 | 14.5\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | WY | 41 | 1.7\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Total | 2480 | 22.6\% |

Table 4
Individual Characteristics of Participants

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Characteristic |  | Frequency Percent |  |
| Sex | Female | 5231 | $47.7 \%$ |
|  | Male | 5706 | $52.0 \%$ |
| Primary Language |  |  |  |
|  | English | 8606 | $48.5 \%$ |
|  | Spanish | 1750 | $16.0 \%$ |
|  | Other | 604 | $5.5 \%$ |
| Disability Status |  |  |  |
|  | IFSP | 323 | $2.9 \%$ |
|  | IEP | 902 | $8.2 \%$ |
|  | Typically Developing | 9738 | $88.8 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |

Note. IFSP = Individual Family Service Plan, IEP = Individual Education Program.

Table 5
Model Estimates for Relationships Between Latent Consturcts and Observed Variables

| Domain | Item | Estimate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Social-Emotional | 1. Regulates own emotions and behaviors |  |
|  | a. Manages Feelings | 0.835 |
|  | b. Follows limits and expectations | 0.884 |
|  | c. Takes care of own needs appropriately | 0.881 |
|  | 2. Establishes and sustains positive relationships |  |
|  | a. Forms relationships with adults | 0.838 |
|  | b. Responds to emotional cues | 0.895 |
|  | c. Interacts with peers | 0.901 |
|  | d. Makes friends | 0.896 |
|  | 3. Participates cooperatively and constructively in group situations <br> a. Balances needs and rights of self and others | $0.920$ |
|  | b. Solves social problems | $0.901$ |
| Physical | 4. Demonstrates traveling skills | 0.916 |
|  | 5. Demonstrates balancing skills | 0.918 |
|  | 6. Demonstrates gross motor manipulative skills | 0.907 |
|  | 7. Demonstrates fine-motor coordination |  |
|  | a. Uses fingers and hands | 0.913 |
|  | b. Uses writing and drawing tools | 0.903 |
| Language | 8. Listens to and understands increasingly complex language |  |
|  | a. Comprehends language | 0.914 |
|  | b. Follows directions | 0.895 |
|  | 9. Uses language to express thoughts and needs |  |
|  | a. Uses an expanding expressive vocabulary | 0.928 |
|  | b. Speaks clearly | 0.916 |
|  | c. Uses conventional grammar | 0.941 |
|  | d. Tells about another time or place | 0.919 |
|  | 10. Uses appropriate conversational and other communication skills |  |
|  | a. Engages in conversations | 0.925 |
|  | b. Uses social rules of language | 0.929 |

Table 6
Model Estimates for Relationships Between Latent Consturcts and Observed Variables

| Domain | Item | Estimate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cognitive | 11. Demonstrates positive approaches to learning |  |
|  | a. Attends and engages | 0.895 |
|  | b. Persists | 0.887 |
|  | c. Solves problems | 0.912 |
|  | d. Shows curiosity and motivation | 0.898 |
|  | e. Shows flexibility and inventiveness in thinking | 0.931 |
|  | 12. Remembers and connects experiences |  |
|  | a. Recognizes and recalls | 0.918 |
|  | b. Makes connections | 0.933 |
|  | 13. Uses classification skills | 0.912 |
|  | 14. Uses symbols and images to represent something not present a. Thinks symbolically | 0.928 |
|  | b. Engages in sociodramatic play | 0.914 |
| Literacy | 15. Demonstrates phonological awareness |  |
|  | a. Notices and discriminates rhyme | 0.867 |
|  | b. Notices and discriminates alliteration | 0.898 |
|  | c. Notices and discriminates smaller and smaller | 0.856 |
|  | units of sound |  |
|  | 16. Demonstrates knowledge of the alphabet |  |
|  | a. Identifies and names letters | 0.852 |
|  | b. Uses letter-sound knowledge | 0.831 |
|  | 17. Demonstrates knowledge of print and its uses |  |
|  | a. Uses and appreciates books | 0.850 |
|  | b. Uses print concepts | 0.934 |
|  | 18. Comprehends and responds to books and other texts |  |
|  | a. Interacts during read-alouds and book conversations | 0.929 |
|  | b. Uses emergent reading skills | 0.932 |
|  | c. Retells stories | 0.927 |
|  | 19. Demonstrates emergent writing skills |  |
|  | a. Writes name | 0.863 |
|  | b. Writes to convey meaning | 0.868 |

Mathematics 20. Uses number concepts and operations
a. Counts 0.930
b. Quantifies 0.935

Table 7
Model Estimates of the Relationships Between Latent Constructs

|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Domain 1 | Domain 2 | Coefficient |
| Physical | Social-Emotional | 0.904 |
|  |  |  |
|  | Social-Emotional | 0.927 |
| Cognitive | Physical | 0.904 |
|  | Social-Emotional | 0.951 |
|  | Physical | 0.916 |
|  | Language | 0.960 |
| Literacy | Social-Emotional | 0.866 |
|  | Physical | 0.786 |
|  | Language | 0.867 |
|  | Cognitive | 0.897 |
|  |  |  |
| Mathematics | Social-Emotional | 0.880 |
|  | Physical | 0.828 |
|  | Language | 0.900 |
|  | Cognitive | 0.919 |
|  | Literacy | 0.959 |
|  |  |  |

Table 8
Inter-rater Reliability Between Master Teachers and Trainees

| Domain | $r$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| Social-Emotional | 0.902 |
| Physical | 0.859 |
| Language | 0.931 |
| Cognitive | 0.922 |
| Literacy | 0.939 |
| Mathematics | 0.920 |

Note. All values are significant at the . 001 level.

Table 9
Overall Characteristics of Each Distribution of Scale Score Across Age Bands

|  | Mean | $S D$ | $25 t h$ | Percentiles <br> $50 t h$ | $75 t h$ | Correlation <br> with Age |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Domain |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social-Emotional | 499.520 | 98.43 | 432 | 505 | 570 | 0.673 |
| Physical | 500.530 | 99.42 | 443 | 512 | 578 | 0.686 |
| Language | 501.460 | 99.98 | 429 | 505 | 573 | 0.685 |
| Cognitive | 498.804 | 99.57 | 424 | 494 | 571 | 0.695 |
| Literacy | 499.330 | 100.47 | 428 | 502 | 572 | 0.731 |
| Mathematics | 497.120 | 99.88 | 432 | 506 | 570 | 0.720 |

Table 10
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (6-23 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6-8 | 9-11 | 12-14 | 15-17 | 18-20 | 21-23 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 392 | 363 | 449 | 465 | 468 | 452 |
|  | M | 396.24 | 389.56 | 404.64 | 424.68 | 433.48 | 450.43 |
|  | SD | 109.20 | 82.92 | 69.56 | 55.74 | 49.93 | 50.20 |
|  | 25th | 325 | 348 | 359 | 396 | 404 | 426 |
|  | 50th | 350 | 369 | 396 | 426 | 432 | 452 |
|  | 75th | 452 | 404 | 426 | 452 | 458 | 476 |
|  | SEM | 18 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Physical | $n$ | 399 | 372 | 470 | 485 | 477 | 480 |
|  | M | 380.95 | 379.06 | 404.18 | 431.77 | 439.13 | 454.19 |
|  | SD | 112.38 | 81.79 | 69.93 | 60.09 | 51.36 | 54.17 |
|  | 25th | 309 | 339 | 366 | 399 | 410 | 432 |
|  | 50th | 339 | 354 | 399 | 421 | 432 | 455 |
|  | 75th | 443 | 389 | 421 | 455 | 466 | 478 |
|  | SEM | 18 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| Language | $n$ | 388 | 358 | 443 | 460 | 455 | 454 |
|  | M | 397.80 | 389.59 | 395.10 | 411.72 | 424.80 | 440.39 |
|  | SD | 107.54 | 84.13 | 65.40 | 53.26 | 47.48 | 47.30 |
|  | 25th | 334 | 342 | 358 | 381 | 403 | 417 |
|  | 50th | 354 | 366 | 389 | 410 | 423 | 441 |
|  | 75th | 468 | 389 | 410 | 429 | 447 | 469 |
|  | SEM | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 12 |

Table 11
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (6-23 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6-8 | 9-11 | 12-14 | 15-17 | 18-20 | 21-23 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 390 | 354 | 439 | 451 | 452 | 440 |
|  | M | 406.26 | 395.19 | 400.54 | 414.75 | 421.94 | 433.60 |
|  | SD | 99.45 | 83.31 | 62.99 | 50.22 | 43.81 | 42.37 |
|  | 25th | 343 | 356 | 372 | 387 | 397 | 408 |
|  | 50th | 362 | 372 | 387 | 408 | 419 | 436 |
|  | 75th | 467 | 387 | 408 | 424 | 442 | 453 |
|  | SEM | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 390 | 358 | 439 | 458 | 454 | 454 |
|  | M | 395.46 | 380.91 | 392.46 | 409.58 | 422.34 | 432.35 |
|  | SD | 104.02 | 90.15 | 68.17 | 57.31 | 46.07 | 41.85 |
|  | 25th | 296 | 346 | 346 | 375 | 394 | 408 |
|  | 50th | 346 | 346 | 375 | 408 | 419 | 428 |
|  | 75th | 476 | 394 | 408 | 428 | 437 | 451 |
|  | SEM | 14 | 30 | 25 | 22 | 20 | 19 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 389 | 357 | 437 | 454 | 451 | 435 |
|  | M | 391.31 | 368.74 | 374.71 | 404.08 | 420.87 | 434.40 |
|  | SD | 101.37 | 87.81 | 66.48 | 63.92 | 54.70 | 47.61 |
|  | 25th | 331 | 331 | 331 | 331 | 394 | 409 |
|  | 50th | 331 | 331 | 331 | 409 | 432 | 441 |
|  | 75th | 459 | 331 | 402 | 441 | 450 | 459 |
|  | SEM | 24 | 32 | 32 | 20 | 18 | 17 |

Table 12
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (24-47 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 24-26 | 27-29 | 30-32 | 33-35 | 36-38 | 39-41 | 42-44 | 45-47 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 456 | 463 | 467 | 472 | 468 | 477 | 474 | 472 |
|  | M | 461.24 | 477.04 | 485.23 | 503.25 | 498.02 | 502.91 | 512.61 | 533.05 |
|  | SD | 53.18 | 53.22 | 54.51 | 61.50 | 62.20 | 66.26 | 57.52 | 58.64 |
|  | 25th | 432 | 452 | 458 | 470 | 464 | 470 | 482 | 499 |
|  | 50th | 464 | 476 | 482 | 505 | 502 | 511 | 516 | 534 |
|  | 75th | 488 | 505 | 511 | 534 | 534 | 546 | 546 | 570 |
|  | SEM | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 |
| Physical | $n$ | 480 | 482 | 480 | 482 | 474 | 477 | 479 | 485 |
|  | M | 468.51 | 483.99 | 496.11 | 510.78 | 500.29 | 508.45 | 519.81 | 531.60 |
|  | SD | 56.89 | 58.99 | 57.71 | 58.09 | 61.36 | 63.13 | 54.70 | 62.40 |
|  | 25th | 443 | 455 | 466 | 478 | 466 | 478 | 490 | 502 |
|  | 50th | 466 | 478 | 490 | 512 | 502 | 512 | 523 | 543 |
|  | 75th | 502 | 512 | 523 | 543 | 533 | 554 | 554 | 565 |
|  | SEM | 18 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 17 |
| Language | $n$ | 465 | 462 | 462 | 468 | 472 | 473 | 479 | 470 |
|  | M | 457.99 | 477.81 | 489.93 | 512.61 | 497.41 | 505.88 | 520.88 | 534.82 |
|  | SD | 49.54 | 51.19 | 54.25 | 60.37 | 67.21 | 63.80 | 58.29 | 64.66 |
|  | 25th | 429 | 452 | 464 | 481 | 464 | 472 | 486 | 499 |
|  | 50th | 464 | 481 | 492 | 511 | 499 | 511 | 524 | 536 |
|  | 75th | 486 | 505 | 517 | 548 | 536 | 548 | 560 | 573 |
|  | SEM | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |

Table 13
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (24-47 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 24-26 | 27-29 | 30-32 | 33-35 | 36-38 | 39-41 | 42-44 | 45-47 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 445 | 448 | 441 | 468 | 454 | 456 | 467 | 457 |
|  | M | 447.37 | 464.96 | 475.46 | 496.56 | 494.26 | 501.07 | 516.90 | 531.71 |
|  | SD | 46.23 | 49.56 | 48.73 | 58.00 | 61.52 | 54.81 | 57.29 | 60.05 |
|  | 25th | 422 | 436 | 448 | 459 | 453 | 465 | 482 | 500 |
|  | 50th | 448 | 459 | 471 | 494 | 494 | 506 | 519 | 533 |
|  | 75th | 471 | 488 | 500 | 526 | 526 | 540 | 548 | 571 |
|  | SEM | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 14 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 440 | 446 | 445 | 453 | 447 | 451 | 457 | 456 |
|  | M | 446.87 | 465.48 | 473.67 | 490.91 | 494.77 | 505.12 | 520.15 | 532.44 |
|  | SD | 47.17 | 44.24 | 43.60 | 54.04 | 52.67 | 52.78 | 51.20 | 51.08 |
|  | 25th | 419 | 437 | 451 | 464 | 464 | 476 | 486 | 502 |
|  | 50th | 444 | 470 | 476 | 492 | 497 | 502 | 521 | 533 |
|  | 75th | 476 | 492 | 502 | 521 | 530 | 539 | 552 | 565 |
|  | SEM | 17 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 433 | 437 | 437 | 451 | 449 | 455 | 461 | 455 |
|  | M | 453.29 | 470.68 | 480.81 | 498.37 | 496.53 | 508.09 | 521.23 | 535.54 |
|  | SD | 50.10 | 45.10 | 46.58 | 52.93 | 55.46 | 55.45 | 53.24 | 52.95 |
|  | 25th | 432 | 450 | 459 | 467 | 467 | 475 | 491 | 506 |
|  | 50th | 459 | 475 | 483 | 499 | 499 | 506 | 527 | 539 |
|  | 75th | 483 | 491 | 506 | 533 | 533 | 545 | 551 | 570 |
|  | SEM | 16 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 |

Table 14
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (48-71 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 48-50 | 51-53 | 54-56 | 57-59 | 60-62 | 63-65 | 66-68 | 69-71 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 467 | 474 | 479 | 482 | 480 | 448 | 264 | 182 |
|  | M | 550.31 | 567.72 | 578.64 | 583.28 | 593.46 | 593.39 | 599.92 | 601.44 |
|  | SD | 66.92 | 65.53 | 69.44 | 66.08 | 62.56 | 81.78 | 86.75 | 88.68 |
|  | 25th | 511 | 528 | 534 | 540 | 552 | 546 | 546 | 552 |
|  | 50th | 552 | 570 | 589 | 589 | 595 | 601 | 601 | 601 |
|  | 75th | 595 | 608 | 621 | 627 | 634 | 647 | 660 | 668 |
|  | SEM | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Physical | $n$ | 479 | 484 | 481 | 490 | 487 | 488 | 324 | 243 |
|  | M | 548.61 | 562.62 | 572.85 | 577.82 | 586.72 | 593.97 | 602.46 | 608.65 |
|  | SD | 64.22 | 55.14 | 62.00 | 56.37 | 55.31 | 71.10 | 72.38 | 74.15 |
|  | 25th | 523 | 533 | 543 | 543 | 543 | 554 | 554 | 565 |
|  | 50th | 554 | 565 | 578 | 578 | 592 | 605 | 617 | 617 |
|  | 75th | 592 | 592 | 617 | 617 | 627 | 646 | 646 | 656 |
|  | SEM | 17 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 19 |
| Language | $n$ | 472 | 475 | 478 | 480 | 479 | 486 | 319 | 239 |
|  | M | 551.33 | 566.70 | 581.17 | 584.74 | 598.04 | 588.81 | 599.39 | 609.22 |
|  | SD | 66.27 | 65.64 | 59.08 | 64.86 | 62.25 | 81.42 | 85.53 | 87.34 |
|  | 25th | 511 | 524 | 542 | 542 | 554 | 548 | 548 | 554 |
|  | 50th | 554 | 567 | 588 | 580 | 597 | 588 | 597 | 606 |
|  | $75 t h$ | 597 | 606 | 628 | 628 | 639 | 639 | 658 | 667 |
|  | SEM | 13 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 16 |

Table 15
Scale Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (48-71 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 48-50 | 51-53 | 54-56 | 57-59 | 60-62 | 63-65 | 66-68 | 69-71 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 457 | 468 | 471 | 475 | 473 | 443 | 255 | 182 |
|  | M | 550.77 | 573.12 | 582.06 | 590.35 | 601.72 | 600.22 | 610.15 | 609.85 |
|  | SD | 70.53 | 66.51 | 72.15 | 68.57 | 71.18 | 81.03 | 92.40 | 94.37 |
|  | 25th | 506 | 526 | 540 | 548 | 548 | 556 | 548 | 548 |
|  | 50th | 548 | 571 | 591 | 591 | 597 | 610 | 616 | 603 |
|  | 75th | 597 | 616 | 622 | 634 | 647 | 647 | 670 | 670 |
|  | SEM | 15 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 454 | 462 | 463 | 469 | 469 | 482 | 312 | 235 |
|  | M | 555.95 | 570.32 | 579.05 | 587.20 | 601.82 | 604.03 | 619.71 | 627.25 |
|  | SD | 57.37 | 57.54 | 57.79 | 53.93 | 57.40 | 75.84 | 88.10 | 87.04 |
|  | 25th | 521 | 535 | 544 | 556 | 569 | 561 | 569 | 572 |
|  | 50th | 556 | 572 | 580 | 588 | 599 | 607 | 622 | 622 |
|  | 75th | 588 | 607 | 618 | 622 | 633 | 647 | 678.25 | 694 |
|  | SEM | 13 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 449 | 457 | 469 | 468 | 468 | 440 | 246 | 175 |
|  | M | 555.39 | 569.99 | 579.16 | 586.70 | 599.00 | 599.91 | 605.61 | 614.94 |
|  | SD | 59.92 | 56.76 | 57.20 | 54.76 | 55.49 | 75.38 | 84.32 | 84.76 |
|  | 25th | 520 | 539 | 551 | 551 | 564 | 557 | 557 | 570 |
|  | 50th | 557 | 570 | 582 | 589 | 602 | 608 | 608 | 602 |
|  | 75th | 589 | 602 | 615 | 621 | 634 | 647 | 661 | 668 |
|  | SEM | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 |

Table 16
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (6-23 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6-8 | 9-11 | 12-14 | 15-17 | 18-20 | 21-23 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 392 | 363 | 449 | 465 | 468 | 452 |
|  | M | 17.52 | 15.72 | 17.17 | 19.58 | 20.74 | 23.31 |
|  | SD | 15.26 | 11.87 | 9.92 | 8.02 | 7.33 | 7.52 |
|  | 25th | 8 | 9 | 11 | 15 | 16 | 19 |
|  | 50th | 10 | 12 | 15 | 19 | 20 | 23 |
|  | 75th | 23 | 16 | 19 | 23 | 24 | 27 |
| Physical | $n$ | 399 | 372 | 470 | 485 | 477 | 480 |
|  | M | 12.08 | 11.50 | 13.57 | 15.95 | 16.59 | 17.93 |
|  | SD | 9.38 | 7.00 | 6.00 | 5.25 | 4.52 | 4.70 |
|  | 25th | 6 | 8 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 16 |
|  | 50th | 8 | 9 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 18 |
|  | 75th | 17 | 12 | 15 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Language | $n$ | 388 | 358 | 443 | 460 | 455 | 454 |
|  | M | 14.98 | 12.90 | 13.50 | 15.75 | 17.71 | 20.31 |
|  | SD | 15.50 | 12.19 | 9.42 | 7.95 | 7.24 | 7.24 |
|  | 25th | 5 | 6 | 8 | 11 | 14 | 16 |
|  | 50th | 8 | 9 | 12 | 15 | 17 | 20 |
|  | 75th | 25 | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 25 |

Table 17
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by Age Band (6-23 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6-8 | 9-11 | 12-14 | 15-17 | 18-20 | 21-23 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 390 | 354 | 439 | 451 | 452 | 440 |
|  | M | 16.00 | 13.92 | 15.24 | 17.91 | 19.31 | 21.44 |
|  | SD | 16.30 | 13.45 | 10.33 | 8.44 | 7.47 | 7.18 |
|  | 25th | 5 | 7 | 10 | 13 | 15 | 17 |
|  | 50th | 8 | 10 | 13 | 17 | 19 | 22 |
|  | 75th | 27 | 13 | 17 | 20 | 23 | 25 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 390 | 358 | 439 | 458 | 454 | 454 |
|  | M | 8.86 | 6.23 | 5.32 | 6.01 | 6.65 | 7.59 |
|  | SD | 14.63 | 14.10 | 9.74 | 7.84 | 6.65 | 5.98 |
|  | 25th | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|  | 50th | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  | 75th | 13 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 9 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 389 | 357 | 437 | 454 | 451 | 435 |
|  | M | 5.72 | 3.51 | 2.75 | 4.33 | 5.20 | 6.21 |
|  | SD | 10.34 | 9.34 | 6.46 | 5.99 | 5.29 | 4.41 |
|  | 25th | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 50th | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
|  | 75th | 8 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 8 |

Table 18
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by 3 Month Age Band (24-47 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 24-26 | 27-29 | 30-32 | 33-35 | 36-38 | 39-41 | 42-44 | 45-47 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 456 | 463 | 467 | 472 | 468 | 477 | 474 | 472 |
|  | M | 25.04 | 27.49 | 28.83 | 31.87 | 31.02 | 31.97 | 33.44 | 36.70 |
|  | SD | 7.97 | 8.30 | 8.54 | 9.79 | 9.77 | 10.22 | 9.21 | 9.56 |
|  | 25th | 20 | 23 | 24 | 26 | 25 | 26 | 28 | 31 |
|  | 50th | 25 | 27 | 28 | 32 | 31 | 33 | 34 | 37 |
|  | 75th | 29 | 32 | 33 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 39 | 43 |
| Physical | $n$ | 480 | 482 | 480 | 482 | 474 | 477 | 479 | 485 |
|  | M | 19.30 | 20.57 | 21.62 | 22.96 | 22.03 | 22.76 | 23.79 | 24.81 |
|  | SD | 4.95 | 5.15 | 5.02 | 5.15 | 5.29 | 5.54 | 4.81 | 5.49 |
|  | 25th | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
|  | 50th | 19 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 26 |
|  | 75th | 22 | 23 | 24 | 26 | 25 | 27 | 27 | 28 |
| Language | $n$ | 465 | 462 | 462 | 468 | 472 | 473 | 479 | 470 |
|  | M | 23.16 | 26.43 | 28.39 | 31.95 | 29.49 | 30.91 | 33.29 | 35.34 |
|  | $S D$ | 7.83 | 8.07 | 8.40 | 9.25 | 10.23 | 9.85 | 9.02 | 9.66 |
|  | 25th | 18 | 22 | 24 | 27 | 24 | 26 | 28 | 30 |
|  | 50th | 24 | 27 | 29 | 32 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 36 |
|  | 75th | 28 | 31 | 33 | 38 | 36 | 38 | 40 | 42 |

Table 19
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by 3 Month Age Band (24-47 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 24-26 | 27-29 | 30-32 | 33-35 | 36-38 | 39-41 | 42-44 | 45-47 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 445 | 448 | 441 | 468 | 454 | 456 | 467 | 457 |
|  | M | 23.82 | 26.73 | 28.55 | 31.93 | 31.49 | 32.63 | 35.12 | 37.35 |
|  | SD | 7.71 | 8.13 | 7.93 | 9.14 | 9.79 | 8.78 | 8.91 | 9.33 |
|  | 25th | 19 | 22 | 24 | 26 | 25 | 27 | 30 | 33 |
|  | 50th | 24 | 26 | 28 | 32 | 32 | 34 | 36 | 38 |
|  | 75th | 28 | 31 | 33 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 43 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 440 | 446 | 445 | 453 | 447 | 451 | 457 | 456 |
|  | M | 9.7 | 12.35 | 13.67 | 17.18 | 17.88 | 19.88 | 22.83 | 25.46 |
|  | SD | 7.09 | 7.39 | 7.25 | 9.86 | 9.52 | 9.95 | 10.65 | 10.98 |
|  | 25th | 5 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 13 | 15 | 18 |
|  | 50th | 8 | 12 | 13 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 22 | 25 |
|  | 75th | 13 | 16 | 18 | 22 | 24 | 26 | 29 | 32 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 433 | 437 | 437 | 451 | 449 | 455 | 461 | 455 |
|  | M | 8.18 | 10.05 | 11.31 | 13.72 | 13.56 | 15.09 | 16.87 | 18.94 |
|  | SD | 5.17 | 5.16 | 5.35 | 6.64 | 6.92 | 7.23 | 7.21 | 7.39 |
|  | 25th | 5 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 14 |
|  | 50th | 8 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 17 | 19 |
|  | 75th | 11 | 12 | 14 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 24 |

Table 20
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by 3 Month Age Band (48-71 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 48-50 | 51-53 | 54-56 | 57-59 | 60-62 | 63-65 | 66-68 | 69-71 |
| Social-Emotional | $n$ | 467 | 474 | 479 | 482 | 480 | 448 | 264 | 182 |
|  | M | 39.58 | 42.43 | 44.21 | 44.87 | 46.35 | 46.46 | 47.42 | 47.75 |
|  | SD | 10.76 | 10.38 | 10.79 | 10.32 | 9.93 | 12.69 | 13.59 | 13.55 |
|  | 25th | 33 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 40 | 39 | 39 | 40 |
|  | 50th | 40 | 43 | 46 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 48 | 48 |
|  | 75th | 47 | 49 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 55 | 57 | 58 |
| Physical | $n$ | 479 | 484 | 481 | 490 | 487 | 488 | 324 | 243 |
|  | M | 26.31 | 27.55 | 28.43 | 28.83 | 29.58 | 30.27 | 30.98 | 31.46 |
|  | SD | 5.58 | 4.85 | 5.32 | 4.87 | 4.70 | 6.10 | 6.17 | 6.24 |
|  | 25th | 24 | 25 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 27 | 27 | 28 |
|  | 50th | 27 | 28 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 | 32 |
|  | 75th | 30 | 30 | 32 | 32 | 33 | 35 | 35 | 36 |
| Language | $n$ | 472 | 475 | 478 | 480 | 479 | 486 | 319 | 239 |
|  | M | 37.72 | 39.84 | 41.82 | 42.31 | 44.12 | 42.61 | 43.83 | 45.12 |
|  | SD | 9.63 | 9.16 | 9.32 | 8.62 | 7.95 | 10.94 | 11.23 | 11.02 |
|  | 25th | 32 | 34 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 38 | 38 | 39 |
|  | 50th | 39 | 41 | 44 | 43 | 45 | 44 | 45 | 46 |
|  | 75th | 45 | 46 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 49 | 51 | 52 |

Table 21
Raw Score Norm Tables for Each Developmental Domain by 3 Month Age Band (48-71 months)

| Domain | Statistic | Age in Months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 48-50 | 51-53 | 54-56 | 57-59 | 60-62 | 63-65 | 66-68 | 69-71 |
| Cognitive | $n$ | 457 | 468 | 471 | 475 | 473 | 443 | 255 | 182 |
|  | M | 40.19 | 43.10 | 44.85 | 46.10 | 47.72 | 47.36 | 48.73 | 48.79 |
|  | SD | 10.62 | 9.97 | 10.61 | 10.08 | 10.42 | 11.99 | 13.62 | 13.93 |
|  | 25th | 34 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 40 | 41 | 40 | 40 |
|  | 50th | 40 | 43 | 46 | 46 | 47 | 49 | 50 | 48 |
|  | 75th | 47 | 50 | 51 | 53 | 55 | 55 | 58 | 58 |
| Literacy | $n$ | 454 | 462 | 463 | 469 | 469 | 482 | 312 | 235 |
|  | M | 30.98 | 34.45 | 36.61 | 38.51 | 42.25 | 43.40 | 47.82 | 49.46 |
|  | SD | 13.50 | 13.55 | 13.89 | 13.50 | 14.66 | 18.36 | 20.92 | 21.56 |
|  | 25th | 22 | 25 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 31 | 33 | 34 |
|  | 50th | 30 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 41 | 43 | 47 | 47 |
|  | 75th | 38 | 43 | 46 | 47 | 50 | 54 | 63 | 67 |
| Mathematics | $n$ | 449 | 457 | 469 | 468 | 468 | 440 | 246 | 175 |
|  | M | 21.93 | 24.11 | 25.55 | 26.60 | 28.46 | 28.77 | 29.59 | 30.83 |
|  | SD | 8.67 | 8.31 | 8.35 | 8.29 | 8.38 | 10.63 | 11.90 | 12.16 |
|  | 25th | 16 | 19 | 21 | 21 | 23 | 22 | 22 | 24 |
|  | 50th | 22 | 24 | 26 | 27 | 29 | 30 | 30 | 29 |
|  | 75th | 27 | 29 | 31 | 32 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 39 |

