

Evidence-Based Practices for Bilingual Assessment

Do's



Don'ts

- Assess the child's skills in both languages.
- Use a combination of standardized and non-standardized assessments.
- Give standardized
 assessments that are
 normed on children who
 speak the same language.
- Consult with (near) native speakers if you don't speak the child's home language.
- Collaborate with caregivers and professionals to gather information about the child.

- Test the child in English only if they are exposed to another language at home.
- Rely on standardized assessments alone.
- Report standard scores when using informally translated assessments.
- Assess independently if you're unfamiliar with the child's home language.
- Focus solely on what occurs during an assessment visit.