COPY DESIGN

Description of the Instrument:

 The Copy Design task instructs children to copy eight simple geometric designs. Children were allowed two attempts but no help from the assessor was allowed. The Copy Design task is a measure of persistence and sustained attention during a difficult task. This test has also been used previously to assess fine motor and visual control.



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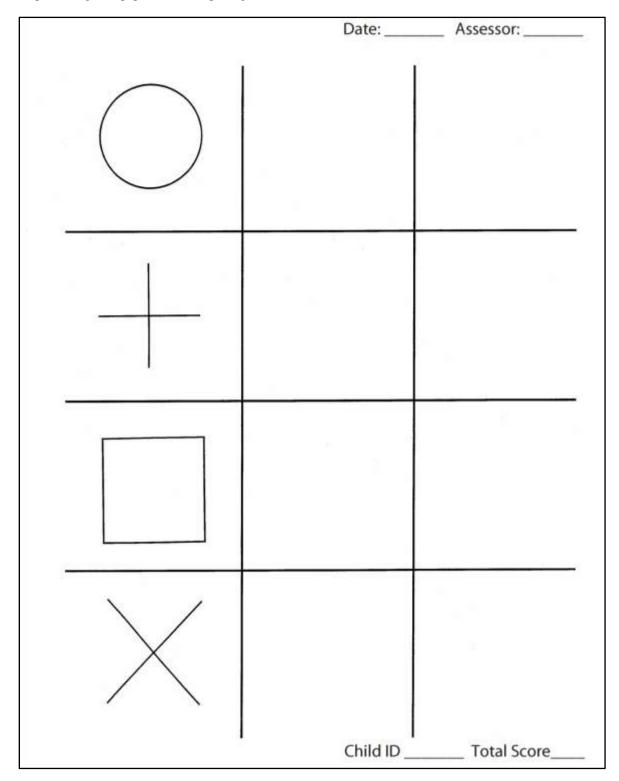
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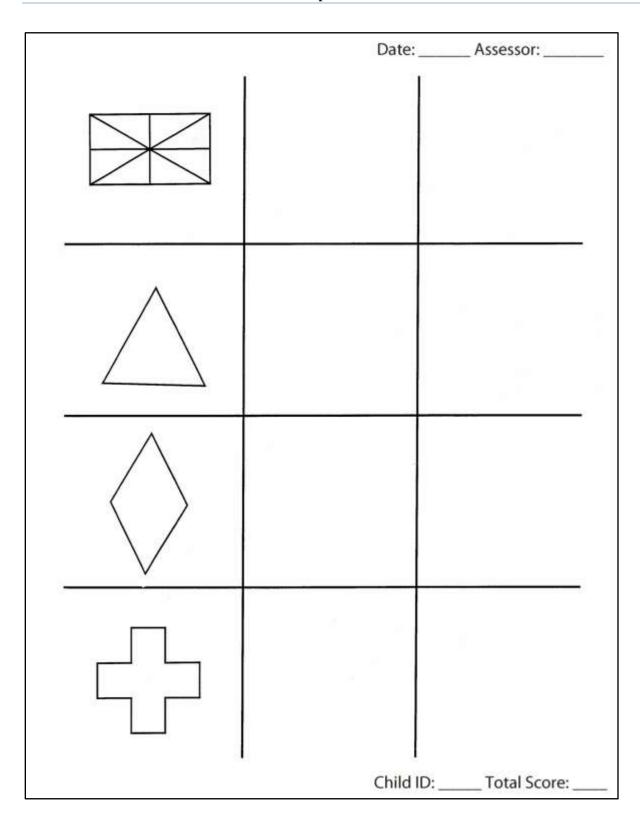




COPY DESIGN MATERIALS

The two images below are printed on 8.5" x 11" paper. This document also serves as the Copy Design coding sheet. The document may be printed two-sided, but this may be less than desirable since children will be able to see the back set of shapes through the paper while completing the first side.







COPY DESIGN SCRIPT

You are going to copy some designs. I want you to copy the designs as carefully as possible.

Place the first page of the test book in front of the child. Point to each design one at a time, and say:

See if you can make one just like this-here. [Point to the space beside the design]

Two attempts should be made at each design.

DO NOT GIVE THE CHILD ANY MORE HELP THAN THESE INSTRUCTIONS ALLOW.



COPY DESIGN SCORING

The scoring is -1, 0 or 1. (A range of -16 to 16 on the test)

- -1= child does not make any mark on the test or refuses to attempt a design (dk-don't know, did not attempt)
- 0 = child attempts to copy at least one design, but all attempts are judged to be poor copies
- 1 = given for each design that is judged a good copy by the following criteria:
 - The drawing must have the right general shape and look like the shape it is supposed to be.
 - It should be approximately symmetrical.
 - Angles should not be rounded.
 - The drawing should not be rotated, e.g. the point of the triangle should be uppermost.
 - Angles must be approximately opposite each other (except in the triangle).
 - Slight bowing or irregularity of lines is allowed.
 - As long as the other criteria are met, neatness is not important.
 - Lines should meet approximately but as long as other criteria are met small gaps at junctions are acceptable.
 - Slight crossing and overlapping of lines is permitted.

If the drawing is too close to call, give student credit for correct answer

