

What's new with MABC-3?



Taking around 30 minutes to administer, the Movement Assessment Battery for Children (MABC) provides a quick snapshot of motor skills in the areas of manual dexterity, ball skills, and static and dynamic balance. The updated MABC-3 will include many of the features and benefits current MABC-2 users enjoy, with some modifications that will expand its usefulness and make it even more user-friendly.



MABC-2 vs. MABC-3 Comparison

MABC-2	MABC-3
Ages 3:0–16:11 across 3 age bands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Band 1 3:0–6:11 • Age Band 2 7:0–10:11 • Age Band 3 11:0–16:11 	Ages 3:0–25:11 across 3 age bands: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age Band 1 3:0–6:11 • Age Band 2 7:0–11:11 • Age Band 3 12:0–25:11
8 tasks per age band <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Manual Dexterity • 2 Aiming & Catching • 3 Balance 	10 tasks per age band <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Manual Dexterity • 3 Aiming & Catching • 3 Balance & Locomotion Unified constructs across ages
UK norms	Normative data co-collected between UK and Australia/NZ
Paper-and-pencil administration only	Test: Paper-and-pencil administration Checklist: Both paper and digital administration options Digital scoring via Q-global available for Test and Checklist
Checklist for ages 5–12	Separate checklists for each age band, including self-report option for Age Band 3 Opportunity for multiple respondents to complete the Checklists: Parent/Caregiver, Teacher/other, Self (Age Band 3 only)
	New and revised items
	Improved manipulatives to enhance usability