

Boston Naming Test

The Boston Naming Test (BNT), introduced in 1983 by Drs. Edith Kaplan, Harold Goodglass and Sandra Weintraub, is a widely used neuropsychological assessment tool to measure confrontational word retrieval in individuals with aphasia or other language disturbance caused by stroke, Alzheimer's disease, or other dementing disorder.

A common and debilitating feature is [Anomic aphasia](#)

The BNT contains 60 line drawings graded in difficulty.

Patients with anomia often have greater difficulties with the naming of not only difficult and low frequency objects but also easy and high frequency objects.

Naming difficulties may be rank ordered along a continuum. Items are rank ordered in terms of their ability to be named, which is correlated with their frequency. This type of picture-naming test is also useful in the examination of children with learning disabilities and the evaluation of brain-injured adults.

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