## Full-Scale IQ (FSIQ) Score Interpretation Chart

The FSIQ, often derived from tests like the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS) or the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children (WISC), is a single score that represents an individual's overall cognitive ability.

| FSIQ Score <br> Range | Classification | Percentile <br> Rank | Description |
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| 130 and <br> above | Very Superior | 98th and <br> above | Indicates significantly above-average <br> intellectual functioning. Often associated with <br> high levels of analytical and problem-solving <br> abilities. |
| $120-129$ | Superior | 91st to 97th | Reflects superior intellectual functioning. <br> Individuals may exhibit strengths in reasoning, <br> conceptualization, and problem-solving. |
| $110-119$ | High Average | 75th to 90th | Indicates slightly above-average cognitive <br> abilities. Individuals often perform well <br> academically and professionally. |
| $90-109$ | Average | 25th to 74th | Represents the average range of intellectual <br> functioning. Most people fall within this range. |
| $80-89$ | Low Average | 9th to 24th | Suggests below-average cognitive abilities but <br> not necessarily indicative of a cognitive <br> disorder. May require some support in academic <br> or occupational settings. |
| $70-79$ | Borderline | 2nd to 8th | Indicates borderline intellectual functioning. <br> Individuals may face challenges in academic, <br> social, and occupational settings. Support and <br> interventions are often beneficial. |
| Below 70 | Extremely | Below 2nd | Lowggests significantly below-average <br> intellectual functioning. Often associated with <br> cognitive impairments or developmental delays. <br> Comprehensive support and interventions are <br> typically required. |
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## Considerations

- Contextual Interpretation: The FSIQ score must be interpreted in the context of the individual's background, educational history, and any known neurological or psychiatric conditions.
- Subtest Analysis: It's important to look at the individual subtest scores, as they can provide insights into specific cognitive strengths and weaknesses.
- Dynamic Nature: IQ scores can change over time, particularly in children and adolescents. Reevaluation may be necessary to understand the individual's current cognitive functioning.
- Cultural and Socioeconomic Factors: Be mindful of cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic factors that might influence test performance.
- Collaborative Approach: When possible, collaborate with educators, psychologists, and other relevant professionals to provide comprehensive support and intervention strategies.
- Confidentiality and Sensitivity: Always handle IQ test results with sensitivity and confidentiality. Discussing results with the individual or their guardians requires care and appropriate framing.
- Limitations of IQ Testing: Understand and communicate the limitations of IQ tests. They do not measure creativity, practical intelligence, wisdom, or other important aspects of human intelligence.
- Referrals: If significant concerns arise from the FSIQ score, consider referrals to specialists, such as neuropsychologists, for further evaluation.


## Notes:

