

# MECHANICAL AND TECHNICAL APTITUDE

**SELECT** 

Sam Sample

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### Introduction



#### The Assessment

Mechanical and Technical is a measure of mechanical and technical aptitude that has been developed specifically for online, unsupervised testing.

Technical aptitude tests predict the success of applicants in technical/craft apprenticeships or training. It is recommended to assess General Mental Ability such as the GCAT alongside technical aptitude to gain a more comprehensive view of a person's ability. Mechanical and Technical assesses aptitude in the following areas:

- Ability to grasp new physical principles
- Ability to practically apply technical concepts
- Ability to think about shapes and spatial relationships, and visualise objects in 3 dimensions



#### The Report

This report has been designed to support interview and reference checking processes. The report presents Sam's results and provides probing interview questions to help users elicit information about their preferences, past behaviour and performance.



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#### Rating Scale

Charts in this report are described in terms of a standardised Sten score that is presented on a scale of 1 to 10 and which allows us to compare participant results. As a guide, scores of 1 to 3 are considered well below average, while scores of 5 to 6 are average, and scores of 8 to 10 are considered well above average.





#### **Comparison Group (Norm)**

The following norm group was used to compare results against.

Assessment	Name	Size
Mechanical and Technical Aptitude	General Participants	351

## Profile Summary

The following elements are used to describe the results.

Percentile Score (%ile)	Is a value on a scale of 100 that reflects the percentage of people in a sample who score below the participant's score.
Range	This is a qualitative indicator that is based on the Sten score and indicates how well a participant has performed using a 5-point score band.
Sten Score (1-10)	A Sten score is a standardised measure used to compare participant results. Presented on a 10-point scale, a score of 1 indicates low performance and a score of 10 indicates high performance.

Profile Charts				
Scale	%ile	Range	Below Averag Average e	Above Average
Mechanical and Technical Aptitude	66	Average	6	

## Results in Detail

#### **Mechanical and Technical Aptitude**

Technical aptitude assesses the ability to grasp and practically apply new physical and mechanical principles. It consists of items which require an understanding of a range of technical principles such as motion, forces, fluids, materials, optics, electrics and technical visualisation.

- Sam's performance on the technical aptitude places them in the within the average range when compared to the norm group. Their ability to understand mechanical and physical principles is typical of this group.
- While they should have little difficulty grasping technical concepts of a day-to-day nature, they may prefer to have more time when attempting to understand more complex concepts.

## Interview Prompts

The following questions have been designed to support the interview and reference checking process for Sam by attempting to elicit information about their abilities, past performance.

Each scale has been mapped to a series of interview questions and colour coded using the following convention:



reflect below average results



reflect average results



reflect above average results

Use the interview questions as a guide to probe Sam's preferences, past behaviour and performance as well as how these may be applied to future role requirements.

## Mechanical and Technical Aptitude



- Give me an example of when you used your understanding of mechanical or physical principles to make or improve something.
- Tell me about a time when you learned a challenging technical concept in order to achieve an objective or solve a problem.

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