

Information for parents and carers

In 2024, as part of the National Assessment Program, a sample of Year 6 and Year 10 students from across Australia will take part in an online sample assessment in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) literacy.

What is the NAP–ICTL sample assessment?

The NAP–ICTL sample assessment is a test given to a sample group of Year 6 and Year 10 students in Information and Communication Technology Literacy.

The assessment monitors and reports on the overall progress being made towards achieving high standards of ICT literacy in Australia.

Before the NAP–ICTL main assessment in 2025, a field trial is required to evaluate the suitability of questions.

Why is NAP–ICT literacy undertaken?

The purpose of the assessment is:

- to inform schools, education ministers and the community about levels of achievement in ICT education among Year 6 and Year 10 students across Australia
- to support improvement in the teaching and learning of ICT literacy.

Who will be assessed and when?

Around 1,750 Year 6 and Year 10 students from approximately 70 government, Catholic and independent schools in metropolitan, rural and remote locations will participate in the sample assessment field trial.

A random class of students will be selected from each participating year level at each sampled school to complete the field trial.

The field trial will be held from **Wednesday 16 October to Tuesday 29 October 2024** and will be conducted by a trained school staff member. There will be quality monitor visits from external test administrators to ensure tests are conducted as described in the guidelines provided to schools.

What does participation mean for your child?

If your child is selected for the assessment sample, they will be participating in a world-class online assessment designed by education experts in ICT literacy. Taking part will provide your child with an excellent learning opportunity as the tests are designed in an engaging way to bring out the best in students.

Your child is not expected to study for this assessment and no preparation is necessary. There are separate tests for Year 6 and Year 10 students. The field trial is about testing the questions, not about testing your child or their ability. Your child's results are not reported. Schools taking part in the field trial will be excluded from the NAP–ICTL main assessment, which will be conducted in May 2025.

Activity	Description
Practice questions (10 minutes)	Students complete the tutorial to familiarise themselves with the types of questions and tasks they can expect.
Part A: 4 assessment modules (20 minutes per module)	All students complete a series of questions and tasks built around typical computing skills and software use.
Part B: Student questionnaire (15 minutes)	Students will complete a survey regarding their access to, familiarity with and interest in using digital tools (hardware, software, apps).

Further information

If you have any questions about the NAP–ICTL assessment, please talk to your child's teacher or school principal, or visit <https://www.nap.edu.au/nap-sample-assessments/ict-literacy>