



ABILITY TEST REPORT

Diagrammatic Reasoning Test

Feedback for

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About this report

This report gives you feedback on the Diagrammatic Reasoning Test you completed on 17 October 2026. It is written for you, and it is yours to keep. The organisation that invited you to take the test will let you know about the next steps in your application separately.

What the test measured

Three things that come up wherever processes, systems and procedures have to be followed or put right:

- Decisions at a switch -- for example, checking a Yes / No question part way through a process and following the right path.
- Working backwards -- for example, seeing what went in and what came out, and working out which step must be missing.
- Following a process step by step -- for example, applying each rule in turn and keeping track of the result as you go.

No technical knowledge was needed. Every rule you needed was in the key on the screen.

What your results suggest

You handled much of the test well, following the rules soundly through many of the processes. The small things are where marks are usually lost -- a step missed out or done in the wrong order, a Yes / No question checked against the wrong stage, a missing step guessed rather than tested -- and the following page is aimed at exactly those.

Areas to develop

Whatever your result, all three of the things the test measured improve quickly with regular practice on ordinary, everyday material -- you don't need specialist resources to work on them.

The suggestions below are in order, based on your results: the first area is where you are likely to benefit most from further development.

Decisions at a switch. At a Yes / No point, check the question against the items as they are at that moment -- after the earlier steps -- not as they were at the start. *Try this:* use a flowchart or decision tree -- many troubleshooting guides and "which one is right for me?" charts are set out this way -- and say aloud the answer at each decision before you follow it.

Working backwards. Work forwards as far as you can, then backwards from the result as far as you can; the missing step is whatever turns one into the other. Try each possible rule against that gap and rule out those that do not fit. *Try this:* when something goes wrong at home or at work, write down what you expected and what actually happened, and list the steps in between that could explain the difference.

Following a process step by step. Apply one rule at a time, in the order shown, and jot down the result after each step; most slips come from missing out a step or doing two in the wrong order. *Try this:* follow a recipe, assembly guide or set of directions exactly as written, noting the result after each step before you move on.

These three habits -- one rule at a time in the order shown, check each decision against where the process has got to, and work from both ends towards the gap -- are what reliable process thinking is built on. They are learned by doing, and they transfer to any role that calls on them. We hope this feedback is useful, and we wish you well with your application.