

Introduction

Why TASIT was developed

Social skills deficits are common in many clinical groups, e.g. autism, traumatic brain injury, learning disabilities.

Social skills comprise

- Expression (behaviour)
- Perception

There are few tools available that measure perception

What is social perception?

Social perception is the ability to read selected social cues in order to make judgements about the behaviour, attitudes and emotions of others (McFall, 1982).

Social cues include

- Facial expression and tone of voice
- Gesture and "body language"
- Contextual information
- Knowledge of the world

The Awareness of Social Inference Test (TASIT)

Comprises three parts with alternate forms for re-testing

PART 1: Emotion evaluation Test (EET):

28 videoed vignettes of actors enacting ambiguous scripts representing 7 basic emotions

These stimuli:

- Are dynamic
- Portray naturalistic, complex expressions

Construct Validity