

characteristics of a good test :

① Reliability :

- also called accuracy, dependability, consistency, stability, repeatability.

- refers to consistency reflected in reproduceability of scores.

- it ensures that no guessing operates.

- there is element of predictability.

- reliability indicates the extent to which test is free from internal defects of standardisation and reliability is obtained through self correlation of the test.

② Validity : degree to which the test measures what it is supposed to measure. Unlike reliability, which is revealed through self correlation, validity is obtained by correlating the scores with external independent criterion.

Criterion can be defined as the best measure of the attribute that the test ^{is} designed to measure.