# What do Percentile Mean in a Test Report? 

## Percentiles

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Percentiles ARE NOT equivalent to scores. They are calculated based on scores, but tell us that the child performed better than $x \%$ of the population. For example, a child that received an average score will be in the 50 th percentile. This means that he or she scored better than $49 \%$ of the norm group, but was outscored by the other half of the norm group. Scoring in the 50th percentile is NOT equivalent to receiving a score of 50.


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