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This article describes the background to NZCER's new literacy assessment, PAT: Punctuation and Grammar. There are seven PAT: punctuation and grammar tests, aimed at Year 4 to Year 10 students. The tests assess student ability to recognise and use the grammatical conventions of standard New Zealand English, including punctuation. The article describes a contextual approach to teaching and assessing grammar and punctuation, with a focus on grammar in use.

Read the full article, [Teaching Punctuation and Grammar](#)

Click on the link to see a selection of formative assessment resources that can be used to explore students' understanding of punctuation.

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