

Article Review

**Complete APA bibliographic reference:**

Wilkins, A., Huang, J., & Yue, C. (2004). Visual stress theory and its application to reading and reading tests. *Journal of Research in Reading*, 27 (2), 152-162.

**Four or five descriptor names that best describe the topic:**

Main: Reading, reading tests, assessment, reading assessment

**Type of Article:**

Other: Literature Review

**Levels:**

Lower Elementary (1-3)

Upper Elementary (4-5)

Middle School (6-8)

High School (9-12)

**Briefly stated major purpose(s) of the article:** This study presents a study on visual stress and reading and reading assessment. Color filters are examined to study the effects of color on reading and reading assessment.

**“Other” article – summarize the major points in 2-4 sentences:** Insufficient attention has been paid to visual factors in reading, and specifically so regarding the design of reading tests. The size of the text does present visual problems to a population of readers. “Typographic practice needs to change to accommodate the fact that children’s vision for text is subject to distortion, and children under the age of ten need far larger text than is presently utilized for reading” (161).