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# Test Matters

Quality of Tests Matters the Most

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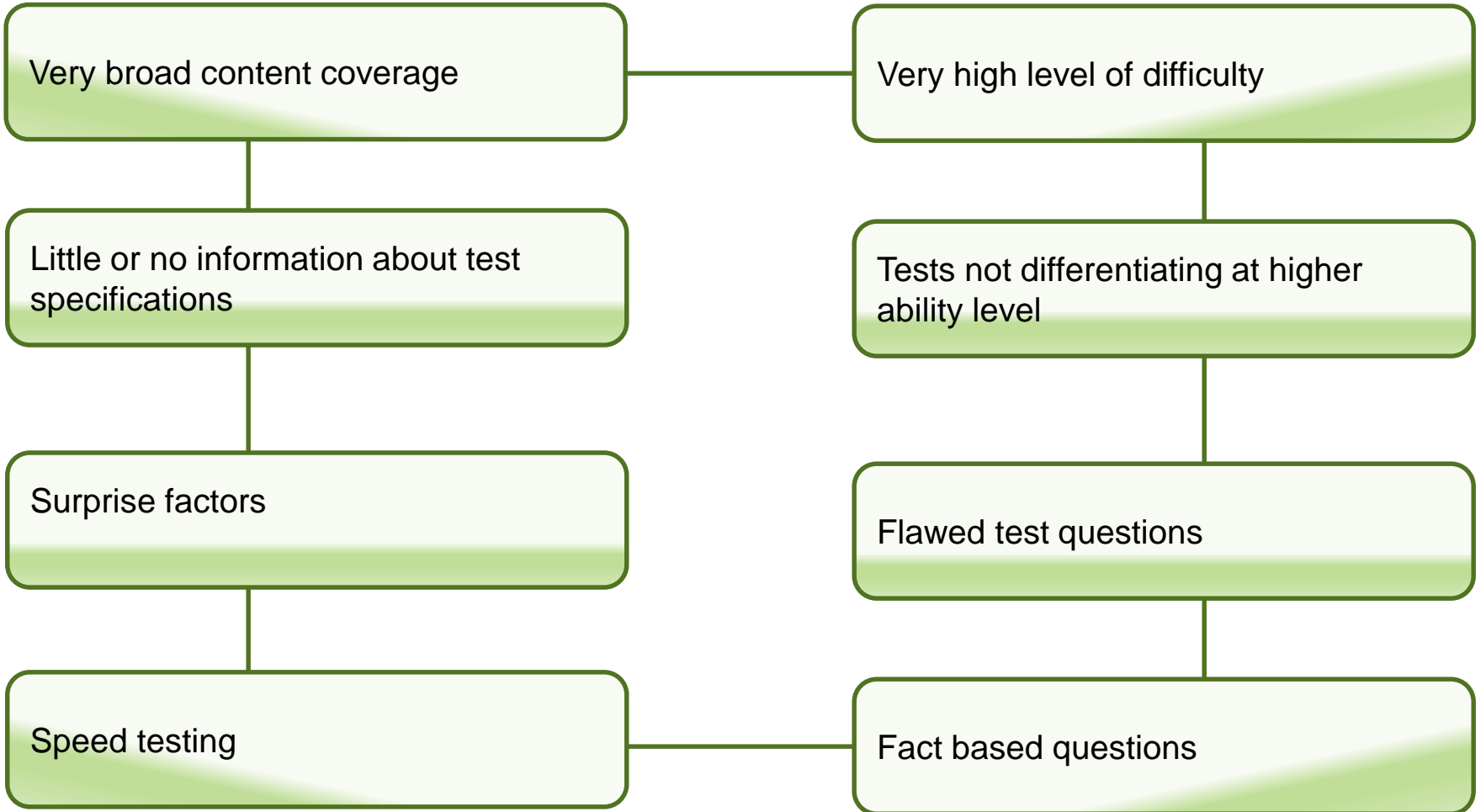
Inspiring a dear one to perform better?

**Good luck for your  
exam!**



# What luck has to do with the success in a test?

Some luck may be needed when hundreds of thousand candidates compete for couple of hundred seats.



# Why should this matter?

**Stake does not get higher than this; with dramatic and life changing consequences attached to the test scores in India.**

- What's the point of working hard if the outcome is uncontrollable?
- Huge premium on memorizing facts kill every spark of higher thinking skills and creativity
- Teaching to the test and studying for the test – its no longer about learning.
- Increasing number of students unable to cope with professional curriculum
- Worn out by the stress, successful students lose interest in learning
- Multi-billion industry, mushrooming of cramming schools promising magic formula.

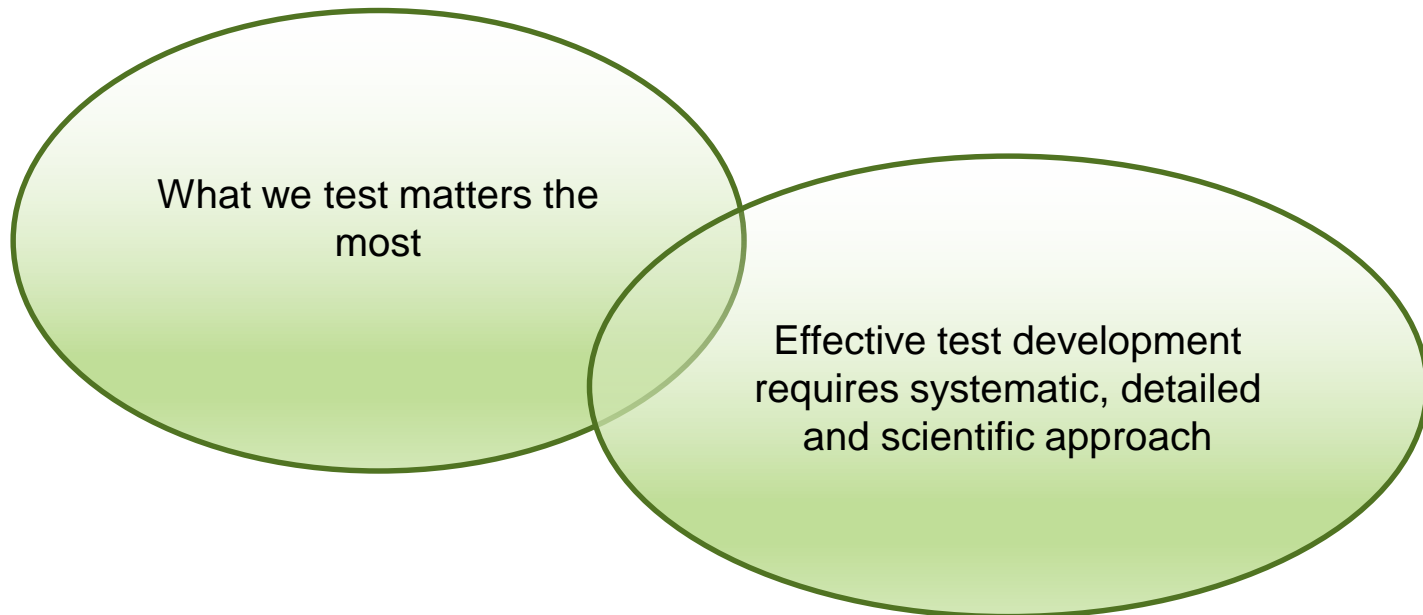
*“If a noble life is something that comes to be due to luck or due to nature, it would be a hopeless dream for many people. But if it is something in their own quality and in accordance with their own activities, then it will be a good both more widespread and divine.”*

**Aristotle**

# Change in the focus needed

Test administration and test security take center stage, not much is known about test development and hardly any discussion on the quality of test

- Developing tests is almost always an internal matter, not very popular and not much time devoted
- Need of professional help is not felt and never sought

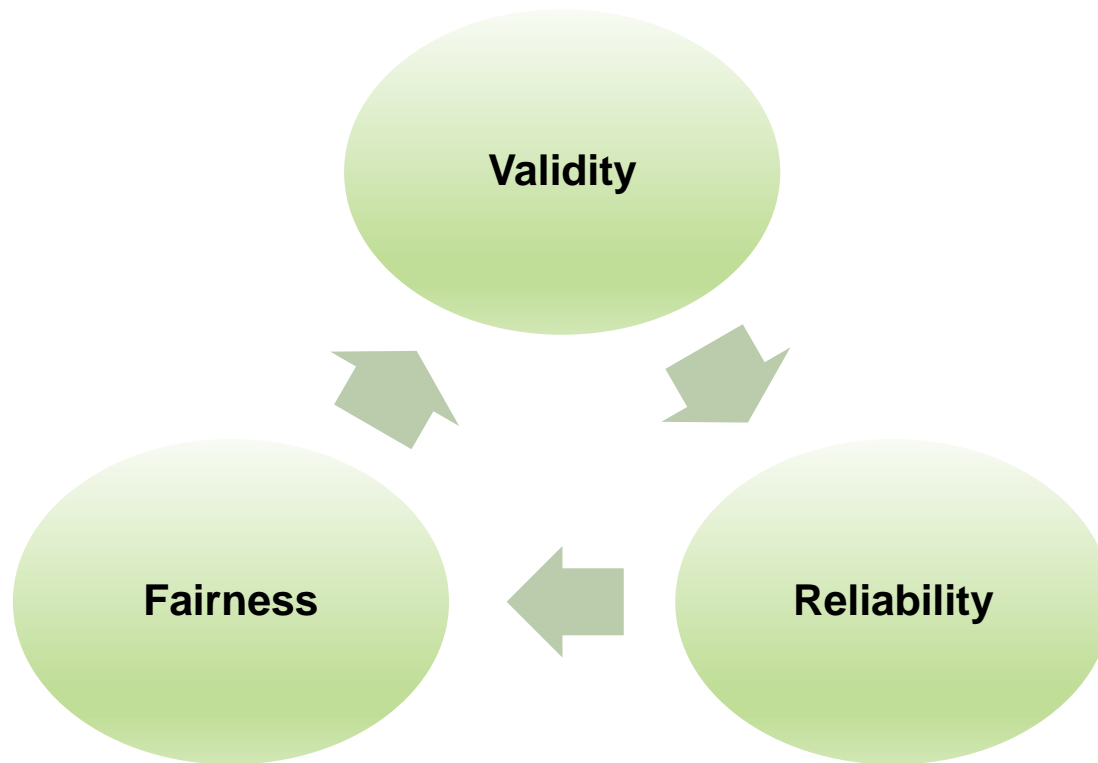


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The need for stricter content and statistical guidelines as well as an increase in the effort put toward gathering validity evidence becomes greater as the stakes regarding test use increase (Linn, 2000)



**Focus on Measurement**

**Let's make our tests world-class!**

**Thank you for attending. Would love to hear your thoughts.**

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