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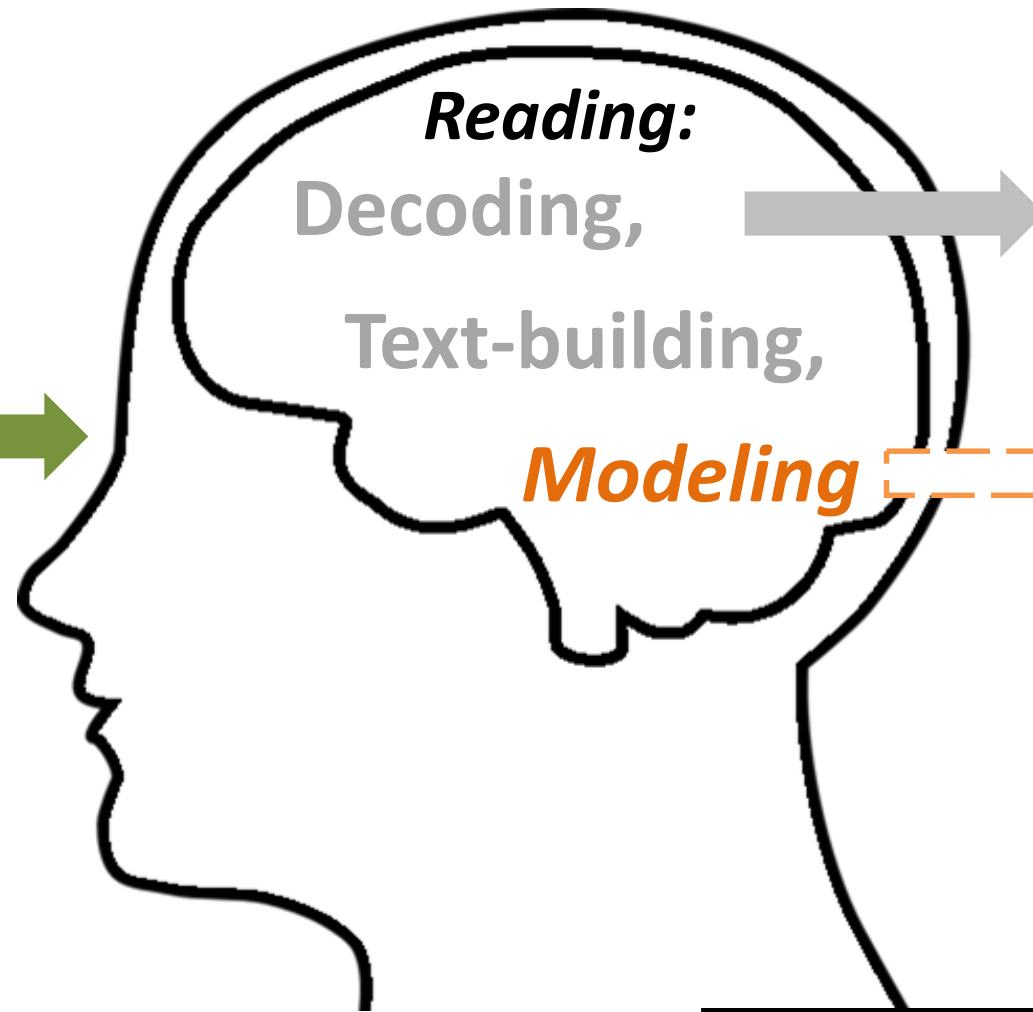
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How is the activation of inferencing skills measured during second language reading tests?

DNA profiles are the sets of unique letters that make up a person's genome. To create someone's fingerprint, their genome is broken into pieces that target parts of DNA that vary greatly among humans, since humans are 99.9% identical otherwise.

Reading:

Decoding,

Text-building,

Modeling

Literal meaning

DNA profiles are … unique … person's genome.… parts of DNA that vary greatly among humans …

Inferences

Every living thing contains unique genetic information.

Second Language Reading Test Comprehension Tasks:

Multiple-choice Questions   Cloze (fill-in-the-blank)   Summary Tasks

Reading task score	Correlation with inferencing
Multiple-choice	$r = 0.094$
Cloze	$r = 0.026$
Summary	$r = 0.226$