Verbal Fluency for Categories

This is a test to assess the verbal reproduction and language functions of the subject. It aims to assess the subject's ability to think quickly and retrieve from memory words belonging to specific categories. The two categories selected for this test are "FRUITS" and "ANIMALS". The subject must think of and say as many examples of each as possible, within a specified time period.

Instructions:
Say: "Now you have to name several things that are similar in some aspect". For example if I say "tools" then you should name different tools such as "hammer", "space", "sickle" and so on. "Now can you give me the names of some other tools"?

Wait for the subject to think and give the names of at least 2 other tools. If he does this correctly, say: "That is fine" and proceed with the test.

Instructions:
Say: "Now give me the names of as many fruits as you can think of. In one minute quickly tell me as many names as you can". Then start the stop watch.

As the subject starts naming fruits, note down the responses on the answer sheet in each of the four 15 second time periods and stop the subject at the end of the 1 minute period saying "That is enough".

Instructions:
After the subject has finished with the FRUITS category proceed to the ANIMALS category.

Say: "Now similarly, give me the names of different animals that you can think of. In one minute tell me as many names as you can."

At the end of one minute, stop the subject by saying "That is enough".

SCORES

Give 1 point for each correct response.

Total score is the number of correct responses. There is no maximum score.