Connecting Steps enables our teachers to clearly track, monitor and report on pupil progress at all levels of attainment without the traditional accompanying reams of paper and hours of filling it in. It is quick and easy to use and has been embraced by all the staff. It’s difficult to imagine school without it!

Brandon Mills, Deputy Head Teacher, Brookfields School

Improves pupil outcomes, frees up teaching time, simplifies reporting for senior leaders

An easy and efficient way to track pupil progress

- Designed by teachers for teachers
- Identifies even the smallest of improvements
- Tracks progress across a wide range of curriculums and frameworks
- Over ¼ of all schools within the UK use our assessment products

Leading the assessment market for over 20 years
TRACK PUPIL PROGRESS EASILY AND EFFICIENTLY, IDENTIFYING EVEN THE SMALLEST OF IMPROVEMENTS

B Squared has over 20 years’ experience in education assessment. Connecting Steps®, our assessment software, is already used by over 3,000 schools across the UK and internationally to track pupil progress.

CONNECTING STEPS IS DESIGNED TO MAKE ASSESSMENT EASIER

All of our assessment products are designed by teachers, for teachers. Our curriculum specialists work closely with our software developers to build and refine products that work for teachers – and are designed to make your life easier. So, as a teacher, you can spend your time doing what you do best – teaching!

EASY TO USE

Within Connecting Steps, recording and tracking results is straightforward. The simple interface allows teachers to quickly and easily record pupils’ achievements, and annotate their learning with comments to help ‘tell the story’ of a pupil’s learning journey. When recording information, it isn’t a case of can do it or can’t do it, we have developed seven steps that lead up to achieving a skill.

EASY TO REPORT

Results can be displayed by individual student, by class, and by cohort – allowing teaching staff the freedom to choose how to document progress. This information can be condensed into a number of formats including pie charts, bar charts and line graphs. Results are automatically updated, and progress can be tracked across any time period. These results can then be built into reports, helping teaching staff monitor progress over time for individual pupils as well as across groups.

Use our app to assess pupils ‘on the go’

Connecting Steps can be accessed by a web browser or our iPad app. Free to all users of our hosted software, the app allows teaching staff to instantly record and monitor results wherever they are. Sharing information with colleagues is also quick and easy.

FACTS

- Over 40,000 teaching staff use our assessment software
- We host data for almost 225,000 pupils
- More than 500,000 assessment points are added into our software every week

For a live demo of our Connecting Steps software visit: www.bsquared.co.uk/demo
Benefits for teachers

- Makes assessment easy and frees up teaching time
- Assesses even the smallest of achievements and progress
- Gives a current picture of a pupil’s achievements throughout the year
- Helps children reach their full potential by highlighting areas for improvement

*Will be updated in 2019 in line with Government changes. This update will be free to schools who have purchased Engagement Steps.

ONE ASSESSMENT PLATFORM FOR PUPILS WORKING ACROSS DIFFERENT CURRICULUMS IN YOUR SCHOOL

Connecting Steps has been created for use with a wide range of schools and curriculums (see infographic above). It was designed from the start to be easy to use, save teachers’ time and be flexible enough to suit their needs. The software has to cater for a wide range of users - assessing EYFS pupils has a very different set of requirements compared with pupils studying for GCSEs. Connecting Steps has been designed to meet all of these needs.

THE BENEFITS OF CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

Connecting Steps works differently to other assessment systems. Instead of teachers giving a level at the end of each year, it is designed to be used throughout the year. Teachers record the small steps of progress that pupils make and use these steps to build a bigger picture of each pupil’s learning and achievements. Skills gaps and areas for improvement can be quickly identified and worked on to ensure pupils are able to achieve their full potential.
Evidence your pupils’ learning with Evisense by B Squared

Evisense® has been designed to make capturing, managing and sharing evidence of learning easier. It enables schools to record and share photos, videos, audio recordings and documents to ‘tell the story’ of a child’s educational journey.

When used with Connecting Steps, evidence can be linked to assessment points, to show improvements that may otherwise have been hard to demonstrate.

Enhanced reporting using CSAM – Connecting Steps Assessment Module

CSAM is an add on module for Connecting Steps, designed to help create essential reports for Ofsted, Governors and Senior Management.

We have created the system to give schools a wide range of reports on the progress and attainment of pupils. The software creates standard cohorts (Pupil Premium, CLA, FSM, Primary Need, etc.) based on details imported from a school’s MIS. Graphs can be built in a few clicks, condensing complex information into well designed graphics that can easily be altered and drilled down into.