

## Group-factor theory

~~But~~ THURSTONE is considered to be the propounder of group-factor theory. This theory does not accept the existence of 'g' factor. In its place, he accepted the factors of mental organisation group. He says that intelligence can be divided into several parts. He named them 'primary mental abilities'. Thurstone conducted experiments on school and college students and concluded that different mental abilities of a person

have positive correlation. He has put the number of primary and independent abilities at seven (7), which are —

1. Verbal ability
2. Numerical ability
3. Perceptual ability
4. Spatial ability
5. Memory ability
6. Word-fluency ability
7. Reasoning ability