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verb [transitive]

- 1 JUDGE to make a judgment about a person or situation after thinking carefully about it

SYN judge:

assess the impact/extent/effectiveness etc of something

a report to assess the impact of advertising on children

assess what/how etc

The technique is being tried in classrooms to assess what effects it may have.

be assessed as something

Many of the adults were assessed as having learning difficulties.

- 2 COUNT/CALCULATE to calculate the value or cost of something:

be assessed at something

The value of the business was assessed at £1.25 million.

Word origin

Date: 1400–1500

Language: Old French

Origin: *assessor*, from Latin, past participle of *assidere* 'to sit beside, help in making judgments', from *ad-* 'to' + *sedere* 'to sit'

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