

VANDERBILT ADHD DIAGNOSTIC PARENT RATING SCALE

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of your child.

Frequency Code: 0 = Never 1 = Occasionally 2 = Often 3 = Very Often

- 1. Does not pay attention to details or makes careless mistakes, for example homework 0 1 2 3
- 2. Has difficulty sustaining attention to tasks or activities 0 1 2 3
- 3. Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly 0 1 2 3
- 4. Does not follow through on instructions and fails to finish schoolwork (not due to oppositional behavior or failure to understand) 0 1 2 3
- 5. Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities 0 1 2 3
- 6. Avoids, dislikes, or is reluctant to engage in tasks that require sustained mental effort 0 1 2 3
- 7. Loses things necessary for tasks or activities (school assignments, pencils or books) 0 1 2 3
- 8. Is easily distracted by extraneous stimuli 0 1 2 3
- 9. Is forgetful in daily activities 0 1 2 3
- 10. Fidgets with hands or feet or squirms in seat 0 1 2 3
- 11. Leaves seat when remaining seated is expected 0 1 2 3
- 12. Runs about or climbs excessively in situations when remaining seated is expected 0 1 2 3
- 13. Has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure/play activities quietly 0 1 2 3
- 14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "drive by a motor" 0 1 2 3
- 15. Talks too much 0 1 2 3
- 16. Blurts out answers before questions have been completed 0 1 2 3
- 17. Has difficulty waiting his/her turn 0 1 2 3
- 18. Interrupts or intrudes on others (e.g., butts into conversations or games) 0 1 2 3
- 19. Argues with adults 0 1 2 3
- 20. Loses temper 0 1 2 3
- 21. Actively defies or refuses to comply with adults' requests or rules 0 1 2 3
- 22. Deliberately annoys people 0 1 2 3
- 23. Blames others for his or her mistakes or misbehaviors 0 1 2 3
- 24. Is touchy or easily annoyed by others 0 1 2 3

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- 25. Is angry or resentful 0 1 2 3
  - 26. Is spiteful and vindictive 0 1 2 3
  - 27. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others 0 1 2 3
  - 28. Initiates physical fights 0 1 2 3
  - 29. Lies to obtain goods for favors or to avoid obligations (i.e., "cons" others) 0 1 2 3
  - 30. Is truant from school (skips school) without permission 0 1 2 3
  - 31. Is physically cruel to people 0 1 2 3
  - 32. Has stolen items of nontrivial value 0 1 2 3
  - 33. Deliberately destroys others' property 0 1 2 3
  - 34. Has used a weapon that can cause serious harm (bat, knife, brick, gun) 0 1 2 3
  - 35. Is physically cruel to animals 0 1 2 3
  - 36. Has deliberately set fires to cause damage 0 1 2 3
  - 37. Has broken into someone else's home, business, or car 0 1 2 3
  - 38. Has stayed out at night without permission 0 1 2 3
  - 39. Has run away from home overnight 0 1 2 3
  - 40. Has forced someone into sexual activity 0 1 2 3
  - 41. Is fearful, anxious, or worried 0 1 2 3
  - 42. Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes 0 1 2 3
  - 43. Feels worthless or inferior 0 1 2 3
  - 44. Blames self for problems, feels guilty 0 1 2 3
  - 45. Feels lonely, unwanted, or unloved: complains that "no one loves him/her" 0 1 2 3
  - 46. Is sad, unhappy, or depressed 0 1 2 3
  - 47. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed 0 1 2 3
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**PERFORMANCE**

	Problematic		Average	Above Average	
1. Overall Academic Performance	1	2	3	4	5
a. Reading	1	2	3	4	5
b. Mathematics	1	2	3	4	5
c. Written Expression	1	2	3	4	5

**PERFORMANCE**

	Problematic		Average	Above Average	
2. Overall Classroom Behavior	1	2	3	4	5
a. Relationship with peers	1	2	3	4	5
b. Following Directions/Rules	1	2	3	4	5
c. Disrupting Class	1	2	3	4	5
d. Assignment Completion	1	2	3	4	5
e. Organizational Skills	1	2	3	4	5

**Scoring Instructions for the ADTRS**

\*Predominately inattentive subtype requires 6 or 9 behaviors, (scores of 2 or 3 are positive) on items 1 through 9, and a performance problem (scores of 1 or 2) in any of the items on the performance section.

\*Predominately hyperactive/impulsive subtype requires 6 or 9 behaviors (scores of 2 or 3 are positive) on items 10 through 18 and a problem (scores of 1 or 2) in any of the items on the performance section.

\*The Combined Subtype requires the above criteria on both inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity.

\*Oppositional-defiant disorder is screened by 4 of 8 behaviors, (scores of 2 or 3 are positive) (19 through 26).

\*Conduct disorder is screened by 3 of 15 behaviors, (scores of 2 or 3 are positive) (27 through 40).

\*Anxiety or depression are screened by behaviors 41 through 47, scores of 3 or 7 are required, (scores of 2 or 3 are positive).

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