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. Blurs 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
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
PERFORMANCE

1. Overall Academic Performance
   a. Reading
   b. Mathematics
   c. Written Expression

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2. Overall Classroom Behavior
   a. Relationship with peers
   b. Following Directions/Rules
   c. Disrupting Class
   d. Assignment Completion
   e. Organizational Skills

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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 of 7 are required, (scores of 2 or 3 are positive).