

Vanderbilt ADHD Teacher Rating Scale

Child's Name

Date of Birth Grade Today's Date

Completed by Subject Taught (if applicable)

Each rating should be considered in the context of what is appropriate for the age of the child. If you have completed a previous assessment, your rating should reflect the child's behavior since you last completed a form.

Symptoms	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
1. Does not pay attention to details or makes careless mistakes, such as in 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 instruction 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 in seated is expected	0	1	2	3
12. Runs about or climbs excessively when remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
13. Has difficulty playing or engaging in leisure activities quietly	0	1	2	3
14. Is "on the go" or often acts as if "driven 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 or her turn	0	1	2	3
18. Interrupts or intrudes in on others (butts into conversations or games)	0	1	2	3
19. Loses temper	0	1	2	3
20. Actively defies or refuses to comply with adults' requests or rules	0	1	2	3
21. Is angry or resentful	0	1	2	3
22. Is spiteful and vindictive	0	1	2	3
23. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others	0	1	2	3
24. Initiates physical fights	0	1	2	3
25. Lies to obtain goods for favors or to avoid obligations ("cons" others)	0	1	2	3
26. Is physically cruel to people	0	1	2	3
27. Has stolen items of nontrivial value	0	1	2	3
28. Deliberately destroys others' property	0	1	2	3

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29. Is fearful, anxious, or worried	0	1	2	3
30. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed	0	1	2	3
31. Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes	0	1	2	3
32. Feels worthless or inferior	0	1	2	3
33. Blames self for problems, feels guilty	0	1	2	3
34. Feels lonely, unwanted, or unloved; complains that "no one loves him/her"	0	1	2	3
35. Is sad, unhappy, or depressed	0	1	2	3

Performance	Above Average		Average	Problematic	
Academic Performance					
Reading	1	2	3	4	5
Mathematics	1	2	3	4	5
Written Expression	1	2	3	4	5
Classroom Behavior					
Relationship with Peers	1	2	3	4	5
Following Directions/Rules	1	2	3	4	5
Disrupting Class	1	2	3	4	5
Assignment Completion	1	2	3	4	5
Organizational Skills	1	2	3	4	5

Comments:

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SYMPTOMS:

Number of questions scored as 2 or 3 in questions 1-9:

Number of questions scored as 2 or 3 in questions 10-18:

Total symptom score for questions 1-18:

Number of questions scored as 2 or 3 in questions 19-28:

Number of questions scored as 2 or 3 in questions 29-35:

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