
VANDERBILT ADHD DIAGNOSTIC TEACHER RATING SCALE (VADTRS)

Scoring Instructions for the VADTRS:

Behaviors are counted if they are scored 2 (often) or 3 (very often).

Inattention	Requires 6 or more counted behaviors from questions 1 through 9 for indication of the predominantly inattentive subtype.
Hyperactivity/impulsivity	Requires 6 or more counted behaviors from questions 10 through 18 for indication of the predominantly hyperactive/impulsive subtype.
Combined subtype	Requires 6 or more counted behaviors each on both the inattention and hyperactivity/impulsivity dimensions.
Oppositional defiant and conduct disorders	Requires 3 or more counted behaviors from questions 19 through 28.
Anxiety or depression symptoms	Requires 3 or more counted behaviors from questions 29 through 35.

The **performance section** is scored as indicating some impairment if a child scores 1 or 2 on at least 1 item.

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Patient 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 the children you are rating.

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

1.	Fails to give attention to details or makes careless mistakes in schoolwork	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 sustaining 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 in classroom or in other situations in which remaining seated is expected	0	1	2	3
12.	Runs about or climbs excessively in situations which 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 excessively	0	1	2	3
16.	Blurts out answers before questions have been completed	0	1	2	3
17.	Has difficulty waiting in line	0	1	2	3
18.	Interrupts or intrudes on others (eg, 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

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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 (ie, "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
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 or her	0	1	2	3
35. Is sad, unhappy or depressed	0	1	2	3

PERFORMANCE

	Problematic		Average		Above Average
Academic Performance					
1. Reading	1	2	3	4	5
2. Mathematics	1	2	3	4	5
3. Written expression	1	2	3	4	5

Classroom Behavior Performance

1. Relationships with peers	1	2	3	4	5
2. Following directions/rules	1	2	3	4	5
3. Disrupting class	1	2	3	4	5
4. Assignment completion	1	2	3	4	5
5. Organizational Skills	1	2	3	4	5