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Vanderbilt ADHD Diagnostic Teacher Rating Scale

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Teacher: _____ School: _____

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 make 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 instructions and fail o finish school work (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 to 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 in 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 (e.g., butts into conversations or games)	0	1	2	3
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19. Loses temper	0	1	2	3
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20. Actively defies or refuses to comply with adults' requests or rules	0	1	2	3
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21. Is angry or resentful	0	1	2	3
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22. Is spiteful and vindictive	0	1	2	3
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23. Bullies, threatens, or intimidates others	0	1	2	3
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24. Initiates physical fights	0	1	2	3
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25. Lies to obtain good for favors or to avoid obligations (i.e., "cons" others)	0	1	2	3
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26. Is physically cruel to people	0	1	2	3
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27. Has stolen items of nontrivial value	0	1	2	3
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28. Deliberately destroys others' property	0	1	2	3
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29. Is fearful, anxious, or worried	0	1	2	3
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30. Is self-conscious or easily embarrassed	0	1	2	3
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31. Is afraid to try new things for fear making mistakes	0	1	2	3
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32. Feels worthless or inferior	0	1	2	3
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33. Blames self for problems, feels guilty	0	1	2	3
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34. Feels lonely, unwanted, or unloved; complains that "no one loves him/her"	0	1	2	3
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35. Is sad, unhappy, or depressed	0	1	2	3
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Performance

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

Classroom Behavioral Performance

1. Relationships with peer	1	2	3	4	5
2. Following directions/ rules	1	2	3	4	5
3. Disruption class	1	2	3	4	5
4. Assignment completion	1	2	3	4	5
5. Organization skills	1	2	3	4	5