

# Vanderbilt ADHD Diagnostic Parent Rating Scale (VADPRS)

## Instructions

Next to each question mark how often the following applies to your child.



	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
1 Does not pay attention to details or makes careless mistakes, for example homework	0	1	2	3
2 Has difficulty attending to what needs to be done	0	1	2	3
3 Does not seem to listen when spoken to directly	0	1	2	3
4 Does not follow through when given directions and fails to finish things	0	1	2	3
5 Has difficulty organizing tasks and activities	0	1	2	3
6 Avoids, dislikes, or does not want to start tasks that require ongoing mental effort	0	1	2	3
7 Loses things needed for tasks or activities (assignments, pencils, books)	0	1	2	3
8 Is easily distracted by noises or other things	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 he is suppose to stay in his seat	0	1	2	3
12 Runs about or climbs too much when he is suppose to stay seated	0	1	2	3
13 Has difficulty playing or starting quiet games	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/her turn	0	1	2	3
18 Interrupts or bothers others when they are talking or playing games	0	1	2	3
19 Argues with adults	0	1	2	3
20 Loses temper	0	1	2	3
21 Actively disobeys or refuses to follow an adults' requests or rules	0	1	2	3
22 Bothers people on purpose	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 bitter	0	1	2	3
26	Is hateful and wants to get even	0	1	2	3
27	Bullies, threatens or scares others	0	1	2	3
28	Starts physical fights	0	1	2	3
29	Lies to get out of trouble or to avoid jobs (i.e., "cons" others)	0	1	2	3
30	Skips school without permission	0	1	2	3
31	Is physically unkind to people	0	1	2	3
32	Has stolen things that have value	0	1	2	3
33	Destroys others' property on purpose	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 mean to animals	0	1	2	3
36	Has set fires on purpose to cause damage	0	1	2	3
37	Has broken into someone else's home, business, or car	0	1	2	3
		Never	Occasionally	Often	Very Often
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, nervous, or worried	0	1	2	3
42	Is afraid to try new things for fear of making mistakes	0	1	2	3
43	Feels useless or inferior	0	1	2	3
44	Blames self for problems, feels at fault	0	1	2	3
45	Feels lonely, unwanted, or unloved; complains that "no one loves him/her"	0	1	2	3

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46	Is sad or unnaopy	0	1	2	3	
47	Feels different and easily embarrassed	0	1	2	3	
48	Rate how your child is doing in school overall					
	1	Problematic				
	2	Somewhat of a Problem				
	3	Average				
	4	Above Average				
	5	Excellent				
		Problematic	Somewhat of a Problem	Average	Above Average	Excellent
49	How is your child doing in reading?	1	2	3	4	5
50	How is your child doing in writing?	1	2	3	4	5
51	How is your child doing in math?	1	2	3	4	5
52	How does your child get along with you?	1	2	3	4	5
53	How does your child get along with brothers and sisters?	1	2	3	4	5
54	How does your child get along with others his/her own age?	1	2	3	4	5
		Problematic	Somewhat of a Problem	Average	Above Average	Excellent
55	How does your child do in activities such as games or team play?	1	2	3	4	5

## Developer Reference

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