

Early Detection of Autism and Social Communication Delays

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Giving Your Child the Best Opportunity for Healthy Development.

- Purpose of this web-based questionnaire is to help parents know if their child is developing as expected in:
 - Social,
 - Communication, and
 - Play abilities.
- Some children who have social and communication delays have autism.
- There are many ways to help children with autism and social and communication delays, especially while they are young.



What can I expect?

- Takes about 30 minutes.
- Videos of children with typical development and children with autism.
- Answer questions about your child.



What is autism?

Children with autism have:

- Difficulty with the give-and-take of social interaction
- Trouble connecting with people
- Difficulty communicating their ideas to others
- Not playing in creative ways



What is autism?

Children with autism also:

- Have strong interests in certain things
- Repeat certain behaviors over and over
- Are bothered by certain smells, sounds, sights
- Stiffen the body in unusual ways



How would I know if my child has autism?

- Unusual or absent social connection to others.
- Consistent child characteristic.
- Usually clear signs by 3 years of age.

- Watch how the children in the videos:
 - Connect to others.
 - Communicate with others.
 - Play with toys.
 - Move their bodies.
- To have autism, a child must show several signs.
- Do not have to show all the signs.
- Important to detect delays early so that you can help your child achieve their best.

Let's begin

Imagination and Play

Imagination and Play: Typical Development



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Imagination and Play: Autism



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**Next, you will see some questions about your child.
Please answer them as accurately as possible.**

Imagination and Play Questions:

1. My child pretends in lots of different ways with toys.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



2. My child is flexible in his play, easily adding new ideas to other people's ideas.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



3. My child tries to get other people involved in his play.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



Submit

4. My child joins in the play of other children his age.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

5. My child plays with a wide variety of toys.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

6. My child has certain toys that he likes to play with almost exclusively.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

7. My child imitates movements and activities of other children in a way that helps him connect and join in their play.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

8. My child shows lots of imagination while playing, like pretending that a block is a car or food.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

Being Flexible with Toys and Routines

Being Flexible with Toys and Routines: Typical Development



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Being Flexible with Toys and Routines: Autism



Being Flexible with Toys and Routines: Autism



Being Flexible with Toys and Routines Questions:

9. My child gets fixated or stuck on certain toys or things.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



10. It seems like my child is more interested in the movement, light, or sound a toy makes than in playing with the object itself.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



11. My child rejects others' attempts to join in his play unless they join in what he is doing.

Often



Sometimes



Rarely



Never



Submit

12. My child becomes upset when his routines are changed.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

13. My child becomes upset when it is time to switch to a new activity.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

14. My child insists on finishing what he is doing even when it is time to stop.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

Sharing Enjoyment

Sharing Enjoyment: Typical Development



Sharing Enjoyment: Typical Development



Sharing Enjoyment: Autism



Sharing Enjoyment Questions:

15. My child points using his index finger to show me what he is interested in.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

16. My child only points when he wants me to get something for him.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

17. My child makes eye contact when communicating with people.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

18. I have to go out of my way to get my child to look and smile at me, like playing tickle and chasing games.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

19. When I point or look to something out of reach, my child looks there to share my interest.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

Using Face and Gestures to Communicate

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Using Face and Gestures to Communicate Questions:

20. My child's face shows lots of different emotions that are appropriate to the situation, including surprise, guilt, disappointment, and concern.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

21. My child uses gestures with her hands to communicate with other people.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

22. My child uses my hand as a tool to communicate with me.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

23. My child shows that he is connected with me by looking at my eyes and smiling at the same time that he is talking to me.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

24. My child shows that he shares other people's emotions by the look on his face.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

Unusual Body Movements and Repetitive Behaviors

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Unusual Body Movements and Repetitive Behaviors

Questions:

25. My child moves his arms, legs, hands, or body in an odd or repetitive way.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

26. When my child jumps up and down, flaps or claps his hands, or makes a squealing sound, it can last a long time.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

27. My child's speech has an unusual rhythm, either very flat or sing songy.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

28. My child repeats back what other people say like a parrot or echo.
Or she repeats what she hears on the television.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

29. When someone calls my child's name, she responds by answering
or looking at the person.

Often

Sometimes

Rarely

Never

Submit

Please tell your level of concern about your child's development:

- No concern at all. I think my child is developing normally for his or her age.
- Somewhat concerned.
- Concerned.
- Very concerned.

Submit

**You have completed the web-based questionnaire.
Thank you for answering these questions about your child.**