

Minnesota River Valley Developmental Behavior Checklist

Student: _____

Parent/Rater: _____

Date: _____

Please place a checkmark next to an item to indicate that a behavior occurred sometimes or consistently during your child's first 3 years of life.

- 1 _____ experienced difficulty making eye contact with people
- 2 _____ demonstrated difficulty attending to toys or objects in the crib
- 3 _____ stared into space for prolonged periods
- 4 _____ was distracted by visual stimuli in the environment
- 5 _____ withdrew from visual stimuli by covering eyes, closing eyes, or averting eyes
- 6 _____ lacked a startle response
- 7 _____ failed to localize or turn in the direction of a sound
- 8 _____ failed to respond to familiar voices by cooing, attending or social smiling
- 9 _____ failed to respond when called by name
- 10 _____ selectively attended to voice and/or sound
- 11 _____ over- or under-responded to sound or noise in the environment
- 12 _____ withdrew from auditory stimuli by covering or plugging ears with hands or fingers
- 13 _____ self-stimulated with vocal noises that would not be considered attempts at speech communication
- 14 _____ exhibited self-stimulating stereotypic movements
- 15 _____ resisted or withdrew from tactile or physical stimulation by another person or object
- 16 _____ exhibited marked physical over activity
- 17 _____ exhibited marked physical under activity
- 18 _____ exhibited inappropriate physical behaviors
- 19 _____ exhibited rigidity when held or hugged
- 20 _____ exhibited flaccidity when held or hugged
- 21 _____ exhibited a lack of responsiveness to pain and injuries
- 22 _____ frequently smelled or sniffed objects
- 23 _____ exhibited strong food preferences
- 24 _____ exhibited an aversion or strong negative reaction to specific textures of food
- 25 _____ exhibited delays, arrests, regressions, or inconsistencies in gross motor development
- 26 _____ exhibited delays, arrests, regressions, or inconsistencies in fine motor development
- 27 _____ exhibited difficulty with breast or bottle-feeding
- 28 _____ exhibited difficulty chewing and/or swallowing foods
- 29 _____ exhibited inability to initiate motor movements in the limbs or other areas
- 30 _____ as an infant, failed to vocalize differential crying
- 31 _____ as an infant, seldom or never cried
- 32 _____ as an infant, cried frequently
- 33 _____ frequently cried for no apparent reason
- 34 _____ did exhibit babbling behavior
- 35 _____ did use gestures in social interactions
- 36 _____ did comprehend simple gestures
- 37 _____ did respond to gestures "hi" and "goodbye"
- 38 _____ experienced difficulty using, manipulating, or understanding the function or uses of common objects
- 39 _____ did exhibit appropriate creative play when given functional toys
- 40 _____ did respond to simple directional commands

- 41 _____ did not respond to simple prepositional commands in the environment
- 42 _____ developed a mode of communication to indicate wants and needs
- 43 _____ exhibited varied patterns of vocalizations (if nonverbal)
- 44 _____ imitated others' intonation patterns (if nonverbal)
- 45 _____ responded to music
- 46 _____ failed to imitate or echo normal speech between 8 and 24 months
- 47 _____ perseverated or continued to repeat all or part of an activity, a motor movement, sign, or verbal utterance when it was no longer appropriate
- 48 _____ exhibited monotone speech showing little or no inflection
- 49 _____ exhibited inappropriate or atypical rhythm, volume, or pitch during production of speech
- 50 _____ expressed a minimum of five basic words to make wants and needs known
- 51 _____ indicate basic wants and needs
- 52 _____ began to babble, use jargon, use real words or short phrases then discontinued or lost those skills
- 53 _____ engaged in strange vocal noises or sounds after a verbal regression
- 54 _____ had a method of expressing "yes"
- 55 _____ had a method of expressing "no"
- 56 _____ exhibited uneven skill acquisition or splinter skills
- 57 _____ lacked a social smile
- 58 _____ lacked social interaction in play and exchanges
- 59 _____ lacked reciprocal responses to physical contact
- 60 _____ failed to develop a relationship with family, caretaker, or significant other
- 61 _____ failed to respond differently to the primary caretaker than to strangers
- 62 _____ lacked appropriate social interaction and cooperative play with peers
- 63 _____ failed to initiate or maintain social interaction
- 64 _____ exhibited laughing or inappropriate silliness for no apparent reason
- 65 _____ engaged in frequent or severe temper tantrums
- 66 _____ exhibited difficulty in waiting for needs to be met
- 67 _____ lacked fear of real danger
- 68 _____ exhibited fear of objects, people, or situations without reason
- 69 _____ exhibited self-abusive behaviors
- 70 _____ exhibited aggressive behaviors toward others
- 71 _____ frequently damaged or destroyed the property of others by breaking, tearing, or banging
- 72 _____ resisted change in daily routines
- 73 _____ engaged in rituals
- 74 _____ engaged in odd or inappropriate play for prolonged periods
- 75 _____ exhibited an inappropriate attachment to an object
- 76 _____ preferred interaction with inanimate objects
- 77 _____ exhibited a preoccupation with spinning, flipping, or twirling objects