

Barkley School Situations Questionnaire (BSSQ)

The Barkley School Situations Questionnaire (BSSQ) is a behavioral assessment tool that measures the frequency and severity of behavior problems in children across different school situations. This questionnaire is mainly intended to gather teachers' observations of attention, impulsivity, and oppositional difficulties, and helps document the diagnosis of ADHD and associated behavioral disorders in the school setting.

Number of questions	12 questions
Estimated duration	10 minutes
Language	English
Original name	Barkley School Situations Questionnaire
Target audience	Children, School
Authors	Russell A. Barkley (1987)
Category	ADHD, Childhood

Preview of the 12 questions

Does this child present any problems with compliance to instructions, commands, or rules for you?

When arriving at school

No | 1 - Mild | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 - Severe

Does this child present any problems with compliance to instructions, commands, or rules for you?

During individual desk work

No | 1 - Mild | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 - Severe

Does this child present any problems with compliance to instructions, commands, or rules for you?

During small group activities

No | 1 - Mild | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 - Severe

Does this child present any problems with compliance to instructions, commands, or rules for you?

During free playtime in class

No | 1 - Mild | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 - Severe

Does this child present any problems with compliance to instructions, commands, or rules for you?

During lectures to the class

No | 1 - Mild | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 - Severe

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Scoring & interpretation

Each situation described is rated on a scale of severity and frequency of problem behaviors. High scores indicate increased frequency or severity of behavior problems in the school setting. Interpretation is based on comparison with norms established by age and sex.

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