



Pragmatic Communication Screening

1. How does your child respond if you point to something?

Looks at object	Yes ☐ No ☐
Points to object	Yes ☐ No ☐
Looks and comments on object	Yes ☐ No ☐
Looks if parent points and says "look!"	Yes ☐ No ☐
Ignores parent	Yes ☐ No ☐
Looks around room randomly	Yes ☐ No ☐
Looks at parent's finger	Yes ☐ No ☐

2. Does your child engage in pretend play by...

Present to drink from a toy cup?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Pretend to eat from a toy spoon or fork?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Pretend to talk on the telephone?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Pretend to feed a doll or stuffed animal with real or imaginary food?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Push a car as if it is going along a pretend road?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Pretend to be a robot, an airplane, a ballerina, or any other favorite character?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Put a toy pot on a pretend stove?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Stir imaginary food?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Put an action figure or doll into a car or truck as if it is the driver or passenger?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Pretend to vacuum the rug, sweep the floor, or the mow lawn?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe)	Yes ☐ No ☐

3. Does your child enjoy climbing on...

Stairs?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Chairs?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Furniture?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Playground equipment?	Yes ☐ No ☐

4. Does your child enjoy being bounced or other moment? Yes ☐ No ☐
How does he/she respond?

Laugh or smile?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Talk or babble?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Request more by holding out his/her arms?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe):	Yes ☐ No ☐

5. Does your child...

Look at hands?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Move fingers when playing peek-a-boo?	Yes ☐ No ☐



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Wiggle his/her fingers near his/her eyes?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Hold his/her hands up close to his/her eyes?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Hold his/her hands off to the side of his/her eyes?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Flap his/her hands near his/her face?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe)	Yes ☐ No ☐

6. If your child wants something out of reach, how does he/she let you know?

Reach for the object with his/her whole hand?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Lead you to the object?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Try to get the object for him/herself?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Ask for it using words or sounds?	Yes ☐ No ☐

7. If you said "show me" would your child point to what they want? Yes ☐ No ☐

8. Does your child ever want you to show you something interesting such as...

An airplane in the sky?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A truck on the road?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A bug on the ground?	Yes ☐ No ☐
An animal in the yard?	Yes ☐ No ☐

Is there anything else of interest that your child might want to show you? _____

How does your child draw your attention to it? _____

Would he/she point with one finger to show you? Yes ☐ No ☐

9. Does your child bring things to show you? Yes ☐ No ☐

Does your child sometimes bring you...

A picture or toy just to show you?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A drawing he/she has done?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A flower he/she has picked?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A bug he/she has found in the grass?	Yes ☐ No ☐
A few blocks he/she has put together?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe):	Yes ☐ No ☐

10. Is your child interested in children other than their brother(s) or sister(s)? Yes ☐ No ☐

Does your child...

Play with another child?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Talk to another child?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Babble or make vocal noises?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Watch another child?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Smile at another child?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Act shy at first but then smile?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Get excited about another child?	Yes ☐ No ☐



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11. When your child's name is called does he/she...

Look up?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Talk or babble?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Stop what he/she is doing?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Make no response?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Seem to hear but ignores parent?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Respond only if parent is right in front of the child's face?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Respond only if touched?	Yes ☐ No ☐

10. When do you see your child smile?

Smile when you smile?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Smile when you enter the room?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Smile when you return from being away?	Yes ☐ No ☐

Is your child always smiling?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Does your child smile at a favorite toy or activity?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Does your child smile randomly or at nothing in particular?	Yes ☐ No ☐

11.

Does your child have a negative reaction to the sound of...

A washing machine?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Babies crying?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Vacuum cleaner?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Hairdryer?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Traffic?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Babies squealing or screeching?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Loud music?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Telephone/ doorbell ringing?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Noisy places such as a supermarket or restaurant?	☐
Other (describe):	Yes ☐ No ☐

12. How does your child respond to noise?

Calmly cover his/her ears?	Yes ☐ No ☐	If your child hears a strange or scary noise, will he/she look at you before responding?
Tell you that he/she does not like the noise?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Scream?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Cry?	Yes ☐ No ☐	
Cover his/her ears while upset?	Yes ☐ No ☐	



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13. Does your child look you in the eye...

When he/she needs something?	Yes ☐ No ☐
When you are playing with him/her?	Yes ☐ No ☐
During feeding?	Yes ☐ No ☐
During diaper changes?	Yes ☐ No ☐
When you are reading him/her a story?	Yes ☐ No ☐
When you are talking to him/her?	Yes ☐ No ☐

14. Does your child try to copy you if you...

Stick out your tongue?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Make a funny sound?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Wave good bye?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Clap your hands?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Put your fingers to your lips to signal "Shhh"?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Blow a kiss?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe):	Yes ☐ No ☐

15. Does your child...

Look toward the thing you are looking at?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Point toward the thing you are looking at?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Look around to see what you are looking at?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Ignore you?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Look at your face?	Yes ☐ No ☐

Does your child **look at you**
when someone new approaches?

Does your child **look at you** when he/she is faced
with something unfamiliar or a little scary

16. Does your child try to get you to watch them by...

Say "Look!" or "Watch me!"?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Babble or make a noise to get you to watch what he/ she is doing?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Look at you to get praise or comment?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Keep looking to see if you are looking?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Other (describe):	Yes ☐ No ☐

17. The boxes below are looking at how your child understands language. Please indicate 'yes' or 'no' for the examples below.

When the situation gives him/her a clue, can he/she follow a command? For example when you are dressed to go out and you tell him/her to get his/her shoes, does he/she understand?

If it is dinnertime and food is on the table, and you tell the child to sit down, will he/she come sit at the table?



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Are there other situations that give your child clues where your child understands what is being said? Please give examples.

When the situation does not give any clues,
can he/she follow a command? For example...
(ask until you get a yes or use all examples)

(1) If you say, "Show me your shoe" without pointing, making gestures, or giving hints (when you are not going out or getting dressed), does your child show you his/her shoe? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

(2) If you say, "Bring me the blanket" or ask for another object without pointing, making gestures, or giving hints, does your child bring it to you? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

(3) If you say, "Put the book on the chair" without pointing, making gestures, or giving any other hints, does your child put the book on the chair? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

Are there other directions your child regularly follows? Please give examples.
