

4B - SENSORY PROCESSING SCREENING

This checklist was designed to be a quick screening tool for sensory processing deficits. Please indicate if your child always responds or greater than 50% of the time responds. If several items are checked throughout many categories or most items are checked in one category, sensory processing deficits may be present.

Child:

Today's Date:

Form Completed By:

Relationship to Child:

TACTILE PROCESSING (Sense of Touch)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> bothered by clothing tags/textures | <input type="checkbox"/> prefers to touch vs be touched |
| <input type="checkbox"/> refuses to wear shoes/socks | <input type="checkbox"/> withdraws from splashing water |
| <input type="checkbox"/> avoids messy play (glue,paint) | <input type="checkbox"/> revs up after bath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> refuses to play in sand at the beach | <input type="checkbox"/> rubs/scratches where touched |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hates haircuts, nail trim, tooth brush | <input type="checkbox"/> mouths clothing/objects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> reacts neg. to touch/pulls away | <input type="checkbox"/> overly fidgets/tugs at clothing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> unaware of pain or temp. | <input type="checkbox"/> does not like hands dirty |

AUDITORY PROCESSING (Sense of Hearing)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> upset with vacuum, hairdryer, toilet | <input type="checkbox"/> notices noises usually tuned out |
| <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty following directions | <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty eating in noisy places |
| <input type="checkbox"/> appears to ignore name called | <input type="checkbox"/> slow to respond to verbal cues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> unaware speaks too loudly | <input type="checkbox"/> escapes from noisy places |
| <input type="checkbox"/> distracted by background noises | |

VISUAL PROCESSING (Vision)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> likes to stare at shiny/spinning things | <input type="checkbox"/> prefers fast paced tv shows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> prefers dark/ avoids bright sunlight | <input type="checkbox"/> misinterprets facial expressions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> turns whole body to look at you | <input type="checkbox"/> illegible writing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> squints/covers eyes in sunlight | <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty copying from the board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> covers/closes one eye when writing | |

ADL/PLAY SKILLS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty completing grooming or dressing in reasonable time/skill | <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty following or copying gestures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> difficulty using eating utensils | <input type="checkbox"/> does not prefer or play with age appropriate toys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> unable to manage clothing fasteners | |

PROPRIOCEPTION (Position Sense)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> overly rough in play | <input type="checkbox"/> slouches at desk or table |
| <input type="checkbox"/> seems to enjoy crashing | <input type="checkbox"/> fatigues quickly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> jumps from unsafe hts./jumps a lot | <input type="checkbox"/> prefers sedentary play |
| <input type="checkbox"/> holds pencil too hard | <input type="checkbox"/> bumps into others/pushes others |
| <input type="checkbox"/> appears clumsy/ poor coordination | <input type="checkbox"/> uses too much force to throw or kick |
| <input type="checkbox"/> moves stiffly | |

VESTIBULAR (Movement Sense)

- on the go/trouble sitting still at table
- twirls self during the day; fidgets
- does not appear to get dizzy
- afraid of heights
- seeks out swinging or climbing more than typical
- poor safety awareness/ use of caution
- avoids movement on playground
- fearful with head tipped back during bath or diaper change
- afraid of elevators or escalators
- leans on others for support when sitting or standing
- moves slowly on uneven surfaces
- loses balance easily
- becomes overly excited w/movement

ORAL PROCESSING (Taste)

- picky eater (refuses food due to temp or texture)
- gags at/on foods or utensils
- hates tooth brushing
- bites/chews on nonfood items
- avoids foods that require lots of chew
- craves certain foods/textures

OLFACTORY (Sense of Smell)

- bothered by smells other do not notice
- refuses food based on smell
- smells everything

BEHAVIOUR

- poor frustration tolerance
- impulsive; poor self control
- overly emotional or sensitive
- frequent tantrums/meltdowns
- unable to calm self after tantrum
- difficulty sleeping through the night
- difficulty getting started with tasks

SOCIAL SKILLS

- unable to interpret social cues
- does not understand age appropriate jokes
- unable to sympathize with others
- easily upset by criticism
- tries to control others/bossy
- does not share easily/take turns
- does not respect personal space of others
- difficulty making or maintaining friendship

Any further comments:
