

DIVA QUESTIONNAIRE (PATIENT VERSION)

Name of patient:

Date of birth:

Sex:

Part 1: Symptoms of attention deficit (DSM-5 criterion A1)

Introductions: The symptoms in adulthood have to have been present for at least 6 months. The symptoms in childhood relate to the age of 5-12 years. For a symptom to be ascribed to ADHD it should have a chronic trait-like course and should not be episodic.

A1 Do you often fail to give close attention to details, or do you make careless mistakes in your work or during other activities? And how was that during childhood (in schoolwork or during other activities)?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood
Makes careless mistakes	Careless mistakes in schoolwork
Works slowly to avoid mistakes	Mistakes made by not reading questions properly
Work is inaccurate	Overlooks or misses details
Does not read instructions carefully	Work is inaccurate
Overlooks or misses details Too much time needed to complete detailed tasks	Leaves questions unanswered by not reading
	them properly
	Others comment about careless work
Gets easily bogged down by details	Not checking the answers in homework
Works too quickly and therefore makes mistakes	Too much time needed to complete details tasks
Other:	Other:

Symptoms present?	Yes	No	Symptoms present?	Yes	No



A2 Do you have difficulty sustaining your attention in tasks? And how was that during childhood (in play activities)?

Examples adulthood

Not able to keep attention on tasks for long*

Quickly distracted by own thoughts or associations

Easily distracted by unrelated thoughts

Difficulty remaining focussed during lectures and/or conversations

Finds it difficult to watch a film through to the end, or to read a book $\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!$

Quickly becomes bored with things*

Asks questions about subjects that have already been discussed

Other:

Examples childhood

Difficulty keeping attention on schoolwork

Difficulty keeping attention on play*

Difficulty remaining focussed during lectures and/or conversations

Easily distracted

Difficulty concentrating*

Needing structure to avoid becoming distracted

Quickly becoming bored of activities*

Other:

*Unless the subject is found to be really interesting (e.g. computer or hobby)

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Symptoms present? Yes No



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A3 Does it often seem as though you are not listening when you are spoken to directly? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood

m	ples adulthood	Exa	mples childhood
	Dreamy or preoccupied		Not knowing what parents/teachers have said
	Difficulty concentrating on a conversation		Dreamy or preoccupied
	Afterwards, not knowing what a conversation was about		Only listening during eye contact or when a voice is raised
	Often changing the subject of the conversation Others saying that your thoughts are somewhere		Mind seems elsewhere, even in the absence of
			any obvious distraction
	else		Often having to be addressed again
	Mind seems elsewhere, even in the absence of		Questions having to be repeated
	any obvious distraction		Other:
	Other:		

			Symptoms present?	Yes	No
Symptoms present?	Yes	No			



A4 Do you often not follow through on instructions and often fail to finish chores or duties in the workplace? *And how was that during childhood (in schoolwork?)*

Examples adulthood Examples childhood Does things that are muddled up together Difficulty following instructions without completing them Difficulty with instructions involving more than Starts tasks but quickly loses focus and is easily one step sidetracked Difficulty with instructions involving more than Needing a time limit to complete tasks one step Difficulty completing administrative tasks Other: Difficulty following instructions from a manual Other:

Symptoms present? Yes No



A5 Do you often find it difficult to organise tasks and activities? And how was that during childhood?

Examples childhood

order

Difficulty being ready on time

Messy room / desk and/or work

Difficulty playing alone

Fails to meet deadlines

Arriving late

Other:

Poor sense of time

Doing things in a muddled way

Difficulty keeping materials and belongings in

Difficulty keeping himself/herself entertained

Difficulty planning tasks or homework

Examples adulthood

Difficulty with planning activities of daily life

Difficulty managing sequential tasks

House and/or workplace are disorganised

Difficulty keeping materials and belongings in order

Works messy and disorganised

Planning too many tasks or non-efficient planning

Regularly booking things to take place at the same time (double-booking)

Arriving late

Fails to meet deadlines

Not able to use an agenda or diary consistently

Inflexible because of the need to keep to schedules

Poor sense and management of time

Creating schedules but not using them

Needing other people to structure things

No

Other:

Symptoms present? Yes No

Symptoms present? Yes



A6 Do you often avoid (or do you dislike, or are you reluctant to engage in) tasks that require sustained mental effort? *And how was that during childhood*?

Examples adulthood

Do the easiest or nicest things first of all

Often postpone boring or difficult tasks

Postpone tasks so that deadlines are missed

Avoid monotonous work, such as administration

Avoids preparing reports, completing forms, or reviewing lengthy papers

Do not like reading due to mental effort

Avoidance of tasks that require a lot of concentration

Other:

Examples childhood

Avoidance of homework or has an aversion to this

Reads few books or does not feel like reading due to mental effort

Avoidance of tasks that require a lot of concentration

Aversion to school subjects that require a lot of concentration

Often postpones boring or difficult tasks

Other:

			Symptoms present?	Yes	No
Symptoms present?	Yes	No			



A7 Do you often lose things that are necessary for tasks or activities? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood

Mislays tools, paperwork, eyeglasses, mobile telephones, wallet, keys, or agenda

Often leave things behind

Loses paper for work

Loses a lot of time searching for things

Gets in a panic if other people move things around

Stores things away in the wrong place

Loses notes, lists or telephone numbers Other:

Examples childhood

Loses school materials, pencils, books or other items

Reads few books or does not feel like reading due to mental effort

Mislays toys, clothing, or homework

Spends a lot of time searching for things

Gets in a panic if other people move things around

Comments from parents and/or teachers about things being lost

Other:

Symptoms present?	Yes	No	Symptoms present?	Yes	No
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A8 Are you often easily distracted by extraneous stimuli? And how was that during your childhood?

Examples adulthood Examples childhood Difficulty shutting off from external stimuli In the classroom, often looking outside After being distracted, difficult to pick up the Easily distracted by noises or events thread again After bing distracted, has difficulty picking up Easily distracted by noises or events the thread again Easily distracted by the conversations of others Other: Difficulty in filtering and/or selecting information Other: Symptoms present? Yes No



A9 Are you often forgetful in daily activities? *And how was that during childhood*?

Examples adulthood

Forgets appointments or other obligations

Forgets keys, agenda etc.

Needs frequent reminders for appointments

Forgets to pay bills or to return calls

Returning home to fetch forgotten things

Rigid use of lists to make sure things aren't forgotten

Forgets to keep or look at daily agenda

Forgets to do chores or run errands

Other:

Examples childhood

Forgets appointments or instructions

Forgets to do chores or run errands

Has to be frequently reminded of things

Half-way through a task, forgetting what has to be done

Forgets to take things to school

Leaving things behind at school or at friends' houses

Other:

Symptoms present? Yes No



No

Part 2: Symptoms of hyperactivity-impulsivity

(DSM-5 criterion A2)

Introductions: The symptoms in adulthood have to have been present for at least 6 months. The symptoms in childhood relate to the age of 5-12 years. For a symptom to be ascribed as ADHD it should have a chronic trait-like course and should not be episodic.

H/I 1 Do you often fidget with or tap hands or feet, or do you often squirm in your seat? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood
Difficulty sitting still	Parents often said 'sit still' or similar
Fidgeting with the legs	Fidgets with the legs
Tapping with a pen or playing with something	Tapping with a pen or playing with something
Fiddling with hair or biting nails	Fiddling with hair or biting nails
Able to control restlessness, but feels stressed as a result	Able to control restlessness, but feels stressed as a result
Other:	Other:

Symptoms present? Yes	Symptoms present?	Yes	No	Symptoms present?	Yes
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H/I 2 Do you often leave your seat in situations where it is expected that you remain seated? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood
Often leaves his/her place in the office or in the workplace	Often stands up while eating or leave his/her place in the classroom
Avoids symposiums, lectures, church etc.	Finds it very difficult to stay seated at school or during meals
Prefers to work around rather than sit	Being told to remain seated
Never sits still for long, always moving around	Making excuses in order to walk around
Stressed owing to the difficulty of sitting still	Other:
Makes excuses in order to be able to walk around	
Other:	

			Symptoms present?	Yes	No
Symptoms present?	Yes	No			



H/I 3 Do you often feel restless? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood	Examples adulthood		
Feeling restless or agitated inside	Always running around where it is inappropriate		
Constantly having the feeling that you have to be	Climbing on furniture, or jumping on the sofa		
doing something	Climbing in trees		
Finding it hard to relax	Feeling restless inside		
Other:	Other:		
Symptoms present? Yes No	Symptoms present? Yes No		

H/I 4^{Do} you often find it difficult to engage in leisure activities quietly? And how was that during childhood (in play activities)?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood
Talks during activities when this is not appropriate	Being loud-spoken during play or in the classroom
Becoming quickly too cocky in public	Unable to watch TV or films quietly
Being loud in all kinds of situations	Asked to be quieter or calm down
Difficulty in speaking softly	Becoming quickly too cocky in public
Other:	Other:

Symptoms present?	Yes	No	Symptoms present?	Yes	No	
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H/I 5 Are you often 'on the go' or do you often act as if 'driven by a motor'? And how was this during childhood?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood	
Always busy doing something	Constantly busy	
Is uncomfortable being still for extended time, e.g. in restaurants or meetings	Others find you restless or difficult to keep up with	
Has too much energy, always on the move	Is uncomfortable being still for extended time	
Others find you restless or difficult to keep up	Excessively active at school and at home	
with	Has lots of energy	
Stepping over own boundaries	Always on the go, excessively driven	
Finds it difficult to let things go, excessively driven	Other:	
Other:		

Symptoms present? Yes No

Symptoms present? Yes

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H/I 6 Do you often talk excessively? And how was that during childhood?

Examples childhood	
Known as a chatterbox	
Teachers and parents often ask you to be quiet	
Comments in school reports about talking too	
much	
Being punished for talking too much	
Keeping others from doing schoolwork by talking	
too much	
Not giving others room during a conversation	
Other:	

Symptoms present? Yes No Symptoms present? Yes No



H/I 7 Do you often blurt out an answer before questions have been completed? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood Examples childhood Being a blabbermouth, saying what you think Being a blabbermouth, saying things without thinking first Saying things without thinking first Wants to be the first to answer questions at Givings people answers before they have finished school speaking Blurts out an answer even if it is wrong Completing others people's sentences Interrupts others before sentences are finished Being tactless Other: Difficulty waiting for turn during conversations Coming across as being tactless Other:

Symptoms present? Yes No



H/I 8 Do you often find it difficult to await your turn? And how was that during childhood?

Examples adulthood	Examples childhood		
Difficulty waiting in a queue, jumping the queue	Difficulty waiting turn in group activities Difficulty waiting turn in the classroom		
Difficult in patiently waiting in the traffic/traffic jams			
Being impatient Quickly starting relationships/jobs, and ending/ leaving these because of impatience Other:	Always being the first to talk or act Becomes quickly impatient Crosses the road without looking Other:		
Symptoms present? Yes No	Symptoms present? Yes No		
H/l 9 Do you often interrupt or intrude on others? <i>And</i> Examples adulthood	how was that during childhood? Examples childhood		
Being quick to interfere with others	Interrupts the games or activities of others		
Intrudes on others Disturbs other people's activities without being	Starts using people's things without asking or permission		
asked, or takes over their tasks	Interrupts the conversation of others		
Comments from others about interference	Reacts to everything		
Difficulty respecting the boundaries of others	Unable to wait		
Having an opinion about everything and immediately expressing this	Other:		
Other:			
	Symptoms present? Yes No		
Symptoms present? Yes No			
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Part 3: Impairment on account of the symptoms

(DSM-5 criteria B, C and D)

Criterion B

Have you always had these symptoms of attention deficit and/or hyperactivity/impulsivity?

Yes (several symptoms were present prior to the 12th year of age)

No

If no is answered above, starting from year of age.

Criterion C

In which areas do you have / have you had problems with these symptoms?

Adulthood

Work/education

Did not complete education/training needed for work	Sickness benefits/disability benefit as a result of symptoms	
Work below level of education	Limited impairment through compensation of high IQ	
Tire quickly of a workplace	Limited impairment through compensation of external structure	
Pattern of many shot-lasting jobs		
Difficulty with administrative work/planning	Other:	
Not achieving promotions		
Under-performing at work		
Left work following arguments or dismissal		
Sickness benefits/disability benefit as a result of symptoms		
Limited impairment through compensation of high IQ		



Adulthood (continuance)

Relationships and/or family

Tire quickly of relationships Impulsivity commencing/ending relationships Unequal partner relationship owing to symptoms Relationship problems, lots of arguments, lack of intimacy Divorced owing to symptoms Problems with sexuality as a result of symptoms Problems with upbringing as a result of symptoms Difficulty with housekeeping and/or administration Financial problems or gambling Not daring to start a relationship Other:

Free time / hobby

- Unable to relax properly during free time
- Having to play lots of sports in order to relax
- Injuries as a result of excessive sport
- Unable to finish a book or watch a film all the way through
- Being continually busy and therefore becoming overtired
- Tire quickly of hobbies
- Accidents/loss of driving licence as a result of reckless driving behaviour
- Sensation seeking and/or taking too many risks
- Contract with the police/the courts
- Binge eating
- Other:

Social contacts

experiences

Other:

Tire quickly of relationships

empathising/phoning, etc)

Difficulty maintaining social contacts

Difficulty initiating social contacts

Conflicts as a result of communication problems

Low self-assertiveness as a result of negative

Not being attentive (i.e. forget to send a card/

Self-confidence / self-image

- Uncertainty through negative comments of others
- Negative self-image due to experience of failure
- Fear of failure in terms of starting new things
- Excessive intense reaction to criticism
- Perfectionism
- Distressed by the symptoms of ADHD
- Other:



Childhood and adolescence

Education

Lower educational level than expected based on IQ

Staying back (repeating classes) as a result of concentration problems

Education not completed / rejected from school

Took much longer to complete education than usual

Achieved education suited to IQ with a lot of effort

Difficulty doing homework

Followed special education on account of symptoms

Comments from teachers about behaviour or concentration

Limited impairment through compensation of high IQ

Limited impairment through compensation of external structure

Other:

Family

Frequent arguments with brothers or sisters

Frequent punishment or hiding

Little contact with family on account of conflicts

Required structure from parents for a longer period than would normally be the case

Other:

Social contacts

Difficulty maintaining social contacts Conflicts as a result of communication problems

Difficulty entering into social contacts

Low self-assertiveness as a result of negative experiences

Few friends

Being teased

Shut out by, or not being allowed, to do things with a group

Being a bully

Other:

Free time/hobby

Unable to relax properly during free time

Having to play lots of sport to be able to relax

Injuries as a result of excessive sport

Unable to finish a book or watch a film all the way through

Being continually busy and therefore becoming overtired

Tired quickly of hobbies

Sensation seeking and/or taking too many risks

Contact with the police/courts

Increased number of accidents

Other:



Childhood and adolescence (continuance)

Self-confidence / self-image

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Negative self-image due to experiences of failure

Fear of failure in terms of starting new things

Excessive intense reaction to criticism

Perfectionism

Other:

Adulthood: Evidence of impairment in two or more areas?	Yes	No
Childhood: Evidence of impairment in two or more areas?	Yes	No

End of the interview. Please continue with the summary.

Potential details:

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