

MINI-MENTAL STATE EXAM

		Check correct answers
I. ORIENTATION		
What is today's date?	Date (eg Jan. 21)	
What is the year?	Year	
What is the month?	Month	
What day is today?	Day (eg Monday')	
Can you also tell me what season it is?	Season	
Can you tell me the name of this hospital (clinic)?	Hospital (Clinic)	
What floor are we on?	Floor	
What town or city are we in?	Town Or City	
What county are we in?	Country	
What state are we in?	State	
II. IMMEDIATE RECALL		
Ask the subject if you may test his/her memory. Then say "apple", "table", "penny" clearly and slowly, about one second for each. After you have said all 3, ask the subject to repeat them. This first repetition determines the subject's score (0-3). But keep saying them until all 3 are repeated, up to 6 trials. If the subject does not eventually learn all 3, the subject receives zero scores in section IV.	"Apple"	
	"Table"	
	"Penny"	
III. ATTENTION AND CONCENTRATION		
Ask the subject to spell the word "WORLD" backwards. Count 1 error for each omission, letter transposition (switching adjacent letters), insertion (inserting a new letter), or misplacement (moving W. O. R. L, D by more than one space. Correct sequence = 5 points.	D	
	L	
	R	
	O	
	W	
IV. RECALL		
Ask the subject to recall the 3 words you previously asked the subject to remember. Score 0-3	"Apple"	
	"Table"	
	"Penny"	
V. LANGUAGE, CONCENTRATION AND CONSTRUCTION		
NAMING		
Show the subject a wristwatch and ask what is it	Watch	
Repeat for pencil	Pencil	
REPETITION		
Ask the patient to repeat "No ifs, ands. or buts".	Repetition	
3-STAGE COMMAND		
Give the subject a piece of plain blank paper and say. "Take the paper in your right hand, fold it in half with both hands, and put down on your lap."	Takes paper in right hand	
	Folds paper in half	
	Puts paper on lap	
READING		
On a blank piece of paper print the sentence " Close your eyes " in letters large enough for the subject to see clearly. Ask the subject to read it and do what it says Score correct only if he/she actually closes his/her eyes.	Close eyes	

WRITING		
Give the subject a blank piece of paper and ask the subject to write a sentence. It is to be written spontaneously. It must contain a subject and a verb and be sensible. Correct grammar and punctuation are not necessary.	Writes sentence	
COPYING		
On a clean piece of paper, draw intersecting pentagons. each side about 1 inch, and ask subject to copy it exactly as it is. All 10 angles must be present and the two pentagons must intersect to score one point:. Tremor and rotation are ignored.	Draws Pentagons	
DERIVING TOTAL SCORE		
Sum the number of correct replies to the test items. The maximum score is 30.	TOTAL SCORE	

CLOSE YOUR EYES

