



Adult ADHD Observer-Report Scale (ASRS-O)

Client Name	Generic Client	Date administered	1 Jan 2026
Date of birth (age)	1 Jan 1999 (27)	Time taken	41 min 52s
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Informant Details

Informant's Name	Mr. Observer
Informant's Relationship to Client	Friend of Generic Client

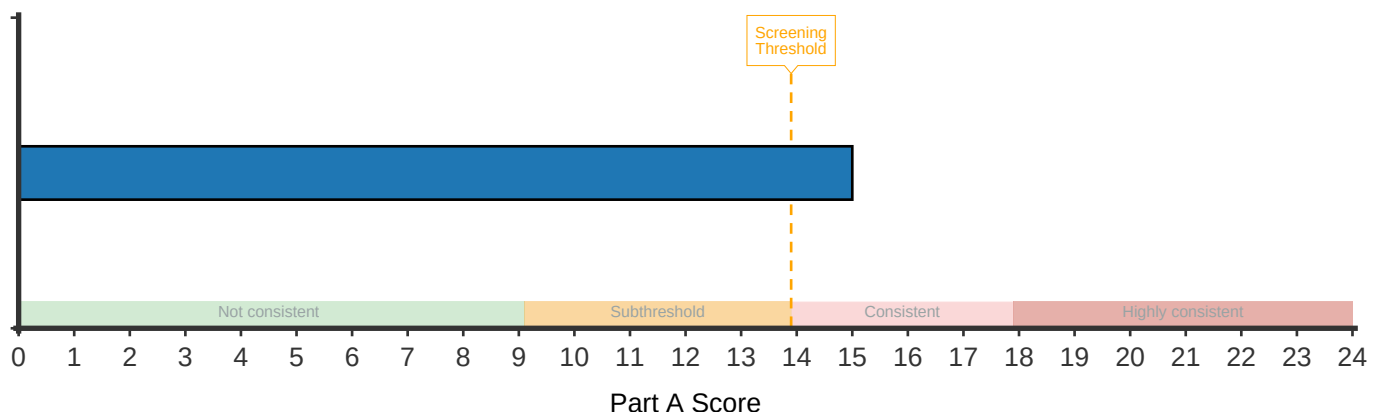
Results

	Raw Score	Descriptor
Criterion (Part A) (0-24)	15	Consistent with ADHD
Additional Symptoms (Part B) (0-48)	26	—
Total Score (0-72)	41	—

ADHD Subscales

	Raw Score	Items Endorsed (%)
Inattentiveness (0-9)	7	78 %
Hyperactivity/Impulsivity (Motor & Verbal) (0-9)	4	44 %

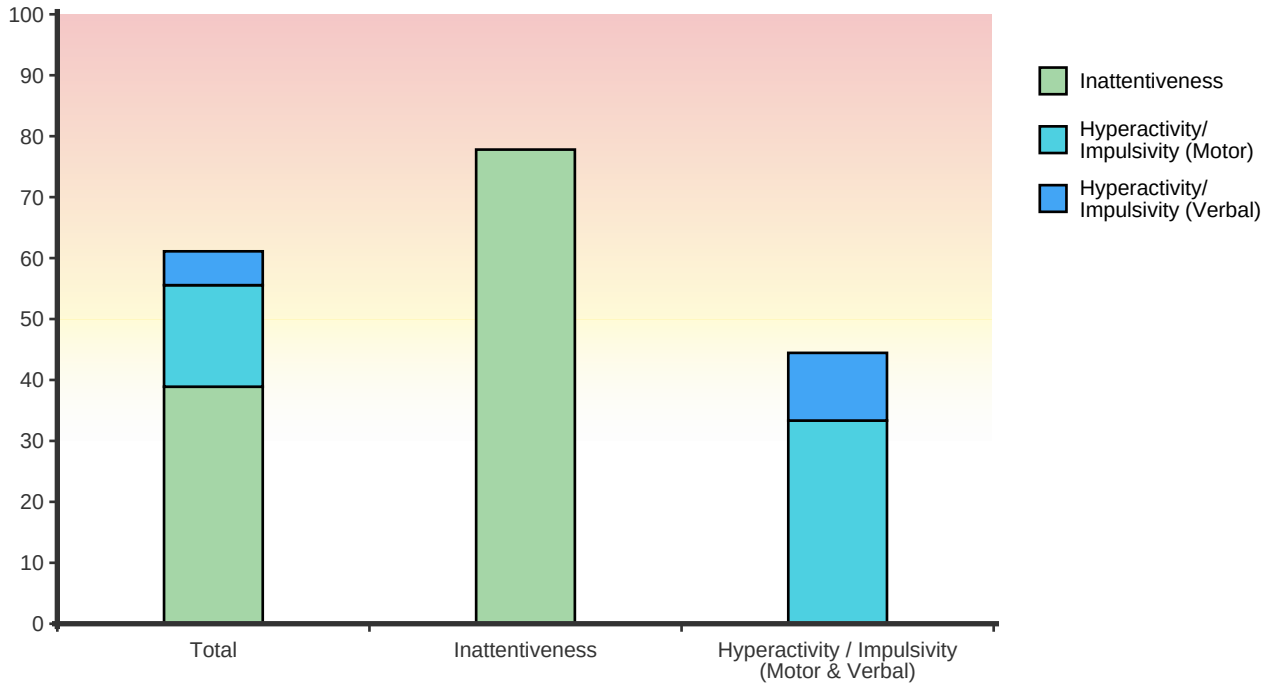
Observer ADHD Screener (Part A)





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Observer ADHD Subscale Symptoms (Percent Endorsed)



Interpretation

Part A, B, & Total Score:

The Part A screener score was 15 out of 24, which falls in the 'Consistent with ADHD' range. The informant's ratings meet or exceed the screening threshold of 14, indicating observed ADHD behaviours at a level consistent with ADHD.

The total score was 41 out of 72, with a Part B score of 26 out of 48. Higher scores reflect more frequently observed ADHD behaviours.

Subscale Scores:

The informant endorsed 7 of 9 Inattentiveness symptoms (78%) and 4 of 9 Hyperactivity/Impulsivity symptoms (44%).

In particular, the informant rated the following behaviours as occurring Often or Very Often:

- 4. When this person has a task that requires a lot of thought, how often do they avoid or delay getting started? (Very Often)
- 1. How often does this person have trouble wrapping up the final details of a project, once the challenging parts have been done? (Often)
- 7. How often does this person make careless mistakes when they have to work on a boring or difficult project? (Often)

Additional information provided by the informant:

"I have been friends with Generic Client for the last 3 years."



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Scoring and Interpretation Information

For comprehensive information on the ASRS-O, [see here](#).

The ASRS-O consists of 18 items, each rated by the informant on a five-point frequency scale ranging from Never (0) to Very Often (4). The 18 items are divided into Part A (items 1–6) and Part B (items 7–18). Higher scores reflect more frequently observed ADHD-consistent behaviours. No percentile norms are available for observer ratings. Because the ASRS-O mirrors the item content of the self-report ASRS, scores from the two measures can be compared directly when both have been administered.

ASRS-O Scoring

Results are presented as two complementary scoring approaches. Part A, Part B, and Total scores index the frequency of observed behaviours, while the subscales indicate the domain in which observed difficulties are concentrated.

Part A, Part B, and Total Score:

- Criterion (Part A): items 1–6; range 0 to 24. Consists of the six items most predictive of ADHD diagnostic status and, when used alone, constitutes the six-item ASRS Screener.
- Additional Symptoms (Part B): items 7–18; range 0 to 48. Provide additional information to support clinical interpretation beyond Part A.
- Total Score: items 1–18; range 0 to 72; overall level of observed ADHD-consistent behaviours.

ADHD Subscales. The ASRS-O subscales are scored differently from the Part A, Part B, and total scores. Rather than summing the informant's response options (0 to 4), each subscale scores symptoms dichotomously (i.e., present or absent). A symptom is counted when the informant rates the behaviour at or above its scoring threshold. For some behaviours, a rating of Sometimes or higher counts as an endorsed symptom (items 1-3, 9, 12, 16, 18); behaviours that are common in everyday life count only when rated Often or higher (items 4-8, 10, 11, 13-15, 17). The response table at the end of the report shows the level at which each item is counted; the scoring values displayed there are these dichotomous counting values (0 and 1), rather than the 0 to 4 frequency scores summed for Part A, Part B, and the Total.

ASRS-O Subscales:

- Inattentiveness (items 1–4, 7–11; range 0 to 9): observed difficulty sustaining attention, staying organised, remembering appointments, avoiding careless mistakes, and concentrating.
- Hyperactivity/Impulsivity (Motor & Verbal) (items 5, 6, 12–18; range 0 to 9): comprising a motor component (items 5, 6, 12–14), reflecting observed difficulty sitting still, staying seated, and relaxing, and a verbal component (items 15–18), reflecting observed difficulty regulating how much the person talks, interrupting others, and waiting their turn.

The subscale score is the number of symptoms counted, also expressed as a percentage of symptoms endorsed — for example, 7 of 9 symptoms on the Inattentiveness subscale is shown as 78%. This symptom-counting approach matches how the subscales are scored on the self-report ASRS.

ASRS-O Part A Interpretive Categories

The following categories apply only to the ASRS-O Part A score (items 1-6). Interpretation is



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based on two complementary approaches: the four interpretive categories below and a screening threshold of 14 or more for a positive observer screen. Both are derived from the validation research on the self-report ASRS Screener (Kessler et al., 2007) and reflect the current official scoring guidance (Harvard Medical School, 2024). These categories derive entirely from self-report ASRS research and have not been validated for observer ratings. They should therefore be regarded as approximate reference points for interpreting observer scores rather than as established cutoffs for informant data.

ASRS-O Interpretive Categories:

- 0 to 9: Not consistent with ADHD. The informant reports the observed behaviours occurring at a frequency well below the screening threshold.
- 10 to 13: Subthreshold. The informant reports some observed ADHD-consistent behaviours, below the level of a positive screen but potentially worth clinical attention in the context of other clinical information.
- 14 to 17: Consistent with ADHD. The informant's ratings reach the positive screening threshold of 14 or more, indicating observed behaviours at a level that may warrant further assessment.
- 18 to 24: Highly consistent with ADHD. The informant reports observed ADHD-consistent behaviours at a high frequency across the screener items.

A score of 14 or more on Part A meets the threshold for a positive observer screen. It indicates that a person who knows the adult well has observed ADHD-consistent behaviours at a clinically notable frequency; it does not establish a diagnosis. Observer ratings provide collateral information that complements, rather than substitutes for, self-report and clinical interview, and the ASRS-O results should be integrated with the broader clinical picture.

ASRS-O Graphs

On first administration, the report presents two graphs. The first displays the Criterion (Part A) score along the 0 to 24 range, displayed against the four Part A interpretive categories and the screening threshold of 14.

The second graph presents the subscale results: the Inattentiveness and Hyperactivity/Impulsivity subscale scores as the percentage of symptoms endorsed, with the Motor and Verbal components of Hyperactivity/Impulsivity distinguished as stacked segments within the bar, alongside a bar labelled 'Total' summarising all 18 items on the same percentage scale (labelled 'Total' rather than 'Total Score' to distinguish it from the summed Total Score in the Results table).

On multiple administration, a line graph reports the Criterion (Part A) score across successive administrations against the same Part A interpretive categories.



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Client Responses

What is your name? (i.e. the person completing this questionnaire)

Mr. Observer

What is your relationship to the person you are rating (e.g. partner, parent, close friend, clinician)?

Friend of Generic Client

		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very Often
1	PART A -					
	How often does this person have trouble wrapping up the final details of a project, once the challenging parts have been done?	0	0	1	1	1
	Examples/details:					
	They do this quite often.					
2	How often does this person have difficulty getting things in order when they have to do a task that requires organisation?	0	0	1	1	1
	Examples/details:					
	They seem to struggle with this particularly when there are deadlines approaching.					
3	How often does this person have problems remembering appointments or obligations?	0	0	1	1	1
	When this person has a task that requires a lot of thought, how often do they avoid or delay getting started?	0	0	0	1	1
	Examples/details:					
	Procrastination is a big problem for them.					
5	How often does this person fidget or squirm with their hands or feet when they have to sit down for a long time?	0	0	0	1	1
	How often does this person seem overly active and compelled to do things, as if they were driven by a motor?	0	0	0	1	1
	PART B -					
7	How often does this person make careless mistakes when they have to work on a boring or difficult project?	0	0	0	1	1
	How often does this person have difficulty keeping their attention when they are doing boring or repetitive work?	0	0	0	1	1
	How often does this person have difficulty concentrating on what people are saying, even when they are speaking to the person directly?	0	0	1	1	1
10	How often does this person misplace or have difficulty finding things at home or at work?	0	0	0	1	1
	How often is this person distracted by activity or noise around them?	0	0	0	1	1
	How often does this person leave their seat in meetings or other situations in which they are expected to remain seated?	0	0	1	1	1



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Client Responses (cont.)

		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very Often
13	How often does this person appear restless or fidgety?	0	0	0	1	1
14	How often does this person have difficulty unwinding and relaxing when they have time to themselves?	0	0	0	1	1
15	How often does this person talk too much when in social situations?	0	0	0	1	1
16	When this person is in a conversation, how often do they finish the sentences of the people they are talking to, before they can finish them themselves?	0	0	1	1	1
17	How often does this person have difficulty waiting their turn in situations when turn taking is required?	0	0	0	1	1
18	How often does this person interrupt others?	0	0	1	1	1

Is there any additional information that is relevant to the above situations? If so, please describe:

I have been friends with Generic Client for the last 3 years.