RAADS–R Test

Name:	Date:

Check only one column

Some life experiences and personality characteristics that may apply to you	True now and when I was young	True only now	True only when I was younger than 16	Never true
1.* I am a sympathetic person	☐	☐	☐	☐
2. I often use words and phrases from movies and television in conversations.	☐	☐	☐	☐
3. I am often surprised when others tell me I have been rude.	☐	☐	☐	☐
4. Sometimes I talk too loudly or too softly, and I am not aware of it.	☐	☐	☐	☐
5. I often don't know how to act in social situations.	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.* I can "put myself in other people's shoes."	☐	☐	☐	☐
7. I have a hard time figuring out what some phrases mean, like "you are the apple of my eye."	☐	☐	☐	☐
8. I only like to talk to people who share my special interests.	☐	☐	☐	☐
9. I focus on details rather than the overall idea.	☐	☐	☐	☐
10. I always notice how food feels in my mouth. This is more important to me than how it tastes.	☐	☐	☐	☐
11.* I miss my best friends or family when we are apart for a long time.	☐	☐	☐	☐
12. Sometimes I offend others by saying what I am thinking, even if I don't mean to.	☐	☐	☐	☐
13. I only like to think and talk about a few things that interest me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
14. I'd rather go out to eat in a restaurant by myself than with someone I know.	☐	☐	☐	☐
15. I cannot imagine what it would be like to be someone else.	☐	☐	☐	☐
16. I have been told that I am clumsy or uncoordinated.	☐	☐	☐	☐
17. Others consider me odd or different.	☐	☐	☐	☐
18.* I understand when friends need to be comforted.	☐	☐	☐	☐
19. I am very sensitive to the way my clothes feel when I touch them. How they feel is more important to me than how they look.	☐	☐	☐	☐
20. I like to copy the way certain people speak and act. It helps me appear more normal	☐	☐	☐	☐
21. It can be very intimidating for me to talk to more than one person at the same time.	☐	☐	☐	☐

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22. I have to "act normal" to please other people and make them like me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
23.* Meeting new people is usually easy for me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
24. I get highly confused when someone interrupts me when I am talking about something I am very interested in.	☐	☐	☐	☐
25. It is difficult for me to understand how other people are feeling when we are talking.	☐	☐	☐	☐
26.* I like having a conversation with several people, for instance around a dinner table, at school or at work.	☐	☐	☐	☐
27. I take things too literally, so I often miss what people are trying to say.	☐	☐	☐	☐
28. It is very difficult for me to understand when someone is embarrassed or jealous.	☐	☐	☐	☐
29. Some ordinary textures that do not bother others feel very offensive when they touch my skin.	☐	☐	☐	☐
30. I get extremely upset when the way I like to do things is suddenly changed.	☐	☐	☐	☐
31. I have never wanted or needed to have what other people call an "intimate relationship."	☐	☐	☐	☐
32. It is difficult for me to start and stop a conversation. I need to keep going until I am finished.	☐	☐	☐	☐
33.* I speak with a normal rhythm.	☐	☐	☐	☐
34. The same sound, color or texture can suddenly change from very sensitive to very dull.	☐	☐	☐	☐
35. The phrase 'Tve got you under my skin" makes me very uncomfortable.	☐	☐	☐	☐
36. Sometimes the sound of a word or a high-pitched noise can be painful to my ears.	☐	☐	☐	☐
37.* I am an understanding type of person.	☐	☐	☐	☐
38. I do not connect with characters in movies and cannot feel what they feel.	☐	☐	☐	☐
39. I cannot tell when someone is flirting with me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
40. I can see in my mind in exact detail things that I am interested in.	☐	☐	☐	☐
41. I keep lists of things that interest me, even when they have no practical use (for example sports statistics, train schedules, calendar dates, historical facts and dates).	☐	☐	☐	☐

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42. When I feel overwhelmed by my senses, I have to isolate myself to shut them down.	☐	☐	☐	☐
43.* I like to talk things over with my friends.	☐	☐	☐	☐
44. I cannot tell if someone is interested or bored with what I am saying.	☐	☐	☐	☐
45. It can be very hard to read someone's face, hand and body movements when they are talking.	☐	☐	☐	☐
46. The same thing (like clothes or temperatures) can feel very different to me at different times.	☐	☐	☐	☐
47.* I feel very comfortable with dating or being in social situations with others.	☐	☐	☐	☐
48.* I try to be as helpful as I can when other people tel1 me their personal problems.	☐	☐	☐	☐
49. I have been told that I have an unusual voice (for example flat, monotone, childish, or high-pitched).	☐	☐	☐	☐
50. Sometimes a thought or a subject gets stt1ck in my mind and I have to talk about it even if no one is interested.	☐	☐	☐	☐
51. I do certain things with my hands over and over again like flapping, twirling sticks or strings, waving things by my eyes).	☐	☐	☐	☐
52. I have never been interested in what most of the people I know consider interesting.	☐	☐	☐	☐
53.* I am considered a compassionate type of person.	☐	☐	☐	☐
54. I get along with other people by following a set of specific rules that help me look normal.	☐	☐	☐	☐
55. It is very difficult for me to work and function in groups.	☐	☐	☐	☐
56. When I am talking to someone, it 1s hard to change the subject. If the other person does so, I can get very upset and confused.	☐	☐	☐	☐
57. Sometimes I have to cover my ears to block out painful noises (like vacuum cleaners or people talking too much or too loudly).	☐	☐	☐	☐
58. I can chat and make small talk with people.	☐	☐	☐	☐
59. Sometimes things that should feel painful are not (for instance when I hurt myself or burn my hand on a stove).	☐	☐	☐	☐
60. When talking to someone, I have a hard time telling when it is my turn to talk or to listen.	☐	☐	☐	☐
61. I am considered a loner by those who know me best.	☐	☐	☐	☐
62.* I usually speak in a normal tone.	☐	☐	☐	☐

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63. I like things to be exactly the same day after day and even small changes in my routines upset me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
64. How to make friends and socialize is a mystery tome.	☐	☐	☐	☐
65. It calms me to spin around or to rock in a chair when I am feeling stressed.	☐	☐	☐	☐
66. The phrase, "He wears his heart on his sleeve," does not make sense to me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
67. If I am in a place where there are many smells, textures to feel, noises or bright lights, I feel anxious or frightened.	☐	☐	☐	☐
68.* I can tell when someone says one thing but means something else.	☐	☐	☐	☐
69. I like to be by myself as much as I can.	☐	☐	☐	☐
70. I keep my thoughts stacked in my memory like they are on filing cards, and I pick out the ones I need by looking through the stack and finding the right one (or another unique way).	☐	☐	☐	☐
71. The same sound sometimes seems very loud or very soft, even though I know it has not changed.	☐	☐	☐	☐
72.* I enjoy spending time eating and talking with my family and friends.	☐	☐	☐	☐
73. I can't tolerate things I dislike (like smells, textures, sounds or colors).	☐	☐	☐	☐
74. I don't like to be hugged or held.	☐	☐	☐	☐
75. When I go somewhere, I have to follow a familiar route or I can get very confused and upset.	☐	☐	☐	☐
76. It is difficult to figure out what other people expect of me.	☐	☐	☐	☐
77.* I like to have dose friends.	☐	☐	☐	☐
78. People tell me that I give too much detail.	☐	☐	☐	☐
79. I am often told that I ask embarrassing questions. I tend to point out other people's mistakes.	☐	☐	☐	☐
80. I tend to point out other people's mistakes.	☐	☐	☐	☐

Scoring Instructions: The scale contains two types of questions.

1. 64 questions describing specific symptoms of ASD. These are scored in order of severity from: “true now and when I was young” = 3, to “never true” = 0
2. 16 questions describing non symptomatic (normative) behaviors. These are score: “true now and when I was young” = 0 to “never true” = 3. These questions have asterisks by their number.

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