

***** TICS *****

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TICS Administration Instructions

Prior to the TICS administration, examiners should ensure that they have obtained all of the necessary information (e. g. examinee's full name, complete address, etc.)

Instructions to Proctor

In a couple of minutes, I am going to be asking [examinee's name] a number of different questions to test [his/her] thinking and memory. Before we start, I need to ask you whether the address I have for your current location is correct. Please don't repeat it out loud if [examinee's name] is in the room with you, since I will be asking [his/her] the same question in a few minutes. Is your current address [examinee's address]? If the answer is "no", please ask the proctor either to step into another room before giving you the correct address or to have the examinee leave the room briefly before giving the address. Then go on say, Please be sure that all papers, pencils, books, calendars, newspapers, and everything else that might provide distraction or visual cues are removed from [examinee's name] sight. Also, please be sure that room is quiet; there should be no television, radio, or music playing.

Some of the questions may be difficult for [examinee's name] to answer. [He/She] may ask you for help. If [he/she] does, just encourage [him/her] to do as well as [he/she] can. [He/She] should guess if necessary. Please do not give [him/her] any answers or hints. O.K.? If you and [examinee's name] are ready, please put [him/her] on the phone.

Instructions to Examinee

I am going to ask you some questions to test your memory. Some of these are likely to be easy for you, but some may be difficult. Please bear with me and try to answer all the questions as best you can. If you can't answer a question, don't worry. Just try your best. Are you ready? These instructions may be repeated verbatim or paraphrased, if necessary. For each of actual TICS items, except Item 5 and Item 8, single repetitions are permitted.

1. Please tell me your full name.

1a. First Name _____

1b. Last Name _____

1. Total Score 2
 1
 0
1 point for correct first name (or nickname)
and 1 point for correct last name

Max Score= 2

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**2. What is today's date?
Probe for month, date, year, day of week, and season
if any not provided spontaneous (e.g. What day of the week is it? or What season is it?)**

2a. Month _____

2a. Score 1
 0
1 point for correct month

2b. Date _____

2b. Score 1
 0
1 point for correct date

2c. Year _____

2c. Score 1
 0
1 point for correct year

2d. Day of the Week _____

2d. Score 1
 0
1 point for correct day of the week

2e. Season _____

2e. Score 1
 0
1 point for correct season

2. Total Score

1 point each for precisely correct month, date, year, day of the week, and season (e.g. a hot day in early June is not summer)

Max Score= 5

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3. Where are you right now?

Probe for house number, street, city, state, and zip code if any not provided spontaneously (e.g., What number is that? What is your zip code?)

3a. House Number

3a. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct house number

3b. Street

3b. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct street

3c. City

3c. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct city

3d. State

3d. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct state

3e. Zip Code

3e. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct zip code

3. Total Score

1 point each for correct house number, street, city, state, and zip code (5-digit zip code is sufficient). If examinee is in a facility with no house number (e.g. hospital, nursing home), the name of facility may be substituted for the house number

Max Score= 5

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4. Please count backward from 20 to 1.

- 2
- 1
- 0

If examinee makes an error, ask him or her to try again.

2 points if completely correct on the first trial. 1 point if completely correct on the second trial.

Max Score= 2

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5. I am going to read you a list of 10 words. Please listen carefully and try to remember them. When I am done, tell me as many of the words as you can in any order.

Ready? The words are (Pause) cabin, pipe, elephant, chest, silk, theater, watch, whip, pillow, giant. (Pause) Now tell me all the words you can remember.

The words should be read at approximately one word every 2 seconds. No repetitions of the word list are permitted.

5. Words Recalled

- Cabin
- Pipe
- Elephant
- Chest
- Silk
- Theater
- Watch
- Whip
- Pillow
- Giant

5. Total Score 10
 9
 8
 7
 6
 5
 4
 3
 2
 1
 0

1 point for each correctly recalled word
0 points for incorrect responses, repetitions, or intrusions

Max Score= 10

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6. I would like you to take the number 100 and subtract 7. (Pause for a response.)
Now keep subtracting 7 from the answer until I tell you to stop.

No further prompts or instructions are given, except to "keep going."

Stop the examinee after five serial subtractions.

6. Total Score 5
 4
 3
 2
 1
 0

1 point for each correct subtraction
Do not inform examinee of incorrect responses, but allow subtractions to be made from the last response.
For example, "93, 85, 78, 71, 65" would be awarded 3 points

Max Score= 5

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7a. What do people usually use to cut paper? 1 Scissors or Shears
 0 Other

Pause for a response.

7a. If Other _____

7b. How many things are in a dozen? 1 12
 0 Other

Pause for a response.

7b. If Other _____

7c. What do you call the prickly green plant that lives in the desert? 1 Cactus
 0 Other

Pause for a response.

7c. If Other

7d. What animal does wool come from?

- 1 Sheep or Lamb
- 0 Other

7d. If Other

7. Total Score

Max Score= 4

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8a. Please repeat this after me. "No ifs, ands or buts."

- No ifs ands
- or buts

No repetitions of the phrase is permitted.

8a. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct repetition.

8b. Please repeat this after me. "Methodist Episcopal."

- Methodist Episcopal

No repetitions of the phrase is permitted.

8b. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct repetition.

8. Total Score

Max Score= 2

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9. Who is the President of the United States right now?

Pause for a response.

9a. President First Name

9b. President Last Name

9ab. Score

- 1
- 0

1 point for correct first and last name.

9. Who is the Vice-President?

9c. Vice President First Name _____

9d. Vice President Last Name _____

9cd. Score 1
 0

1 point for correct first and last name.

9. Total Score _____
Max Score= 2

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10. With your finger, tap five times on the part of the phone you speak into. 2
 1
 0

2 points if five taps are clearly heard.

1 point if either more than or fewer than 5 taps are heard.

0 point if no taps are heard.

Max Score= 2

If the TICS is being administered in person, the examinee should be asked to tap on the table rather than on a telephone receiver.

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11. I am going to say a word and I want you to give me its opposite. For example, if I say "hot," you should say "cold."

11a. What is the opposite of "west"? 1 East
 0 Other

11a. If Other _____

11b. What is the opposite of "generous"? 1 Cheap, Stingy, Tight, Selfish, Greedy, Mean, Meager, or other correct antonym
 0 Other

11b. If Other _____

11. Total Score _____
Max Score= 2

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TICS Total score

Total Possible Points=41

Suggested Qualitative Interpretive Ranges for TICS Total Score Range

- 33-41; Nonimpaired
- 26-32; Ambiguous
- 21-25; Mildly Impaired
- less or equal than 20; Moderately to Severely Impaired