

## The Learning Clinic Pragmatic Skills Survey®

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The need to assess the level of pragmatic skill functioning for Asperger and High Functioning Autistic students is clear. Children and Adolescents with such diagnoses require a functional assessment that is relevant to the creation of treatment objectives and which provides a method to monitor treatment results. The TLC Pragmatic Skill Survey is designed to be useful to parents, professionals, and paraprofessionals who are involved with the care and treatment of children and youth who demonstrate deficits in social skills and pragmatic language.

The survey data may be used to establish treatment objectives that are observable, modifiable, and assessable. The survey assesses components of Pragmatic Skills with peer and adult interactions across settings. This survey form is for use by Permission of the Learning Clinic.

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### *Description / Examples of Terms*

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Pragmatic Language - is defined as language use. It involves what is said and why it is said. Included are verbal and nonverbal communication and the ability to know when to best use each in effective conversation.

The TLC Pragmatic Skill Survey is an assessment tool designed to describe the level of social communication skill evidenced by student performance.

The survey assess FOUR (4) categories of communication. Each category is further described by sub-components, as follows:

1. Topic: Subject of any disclosure.

Topic is described by SEVEN (7) sub-components.

- \* Establishes conversation
- \* Maintains conversation
- \* Content of topic
- \* Changes topic appropriately
- \* Revises message to fit change in topic
- \* Modifies message to repair breakdown in communication
- \* Terminates conversation appropriately

2. Purpose: End or aim or intent of disclosure.

Purpose is described by FIVE (5) sub-components.

- \* Requesting / Asking
- \* Informing
- \* Regulating
- \* Expressing
- \* Ritualizing

3. **Abstraction:** A generality in language, not concrete in language or in reasoning but requires inference to be drawn.

Abstraction has SIX (6) sub-components.

- \* Uses sarcasm appropriately
- \* Understands/responds appropriately to sarcasm
- \* Uses idioms/figurative language appropriately
- \* Understands/responds appropriately to idioms/figurative

language

- \* Uses indirect messages
- \* Understands/responds appropriately to indirect messages

4. **Visual / Gestural Cues:** Nonverbal communication signals as to mood or state of mind, or intent as a communicative “hint” to the observer.

Visual/Gestural Cues are described by SIX (6) sub-components.

- \* Uses appropriate eye contact
- \* Gestures/body posture is consistent with message
- \* Facial expression is consistent with message
- \* Uses appropriate proximity/distance
- \* Uses appropriate physical contact
- \* Responds appropriately

The aim of the four categories of the Pragmatic Skill Survey and the sub-component sections is to provide a functional description of the student-clients’ communication skill with adults and peers, in alternate settings.

The following is a further elaboration on each of the four (4) categories and the respective sub-components:

#### **A: TOPIC**

Topic of the communication is the first category for evaluation. Topic is defined as the ‘subject’ of the communication.

The seven (7) sub-components under Topic are indices of the student’s ability to communicate, as follows:

##### **1. Establishes Conversation**

- a. appropriate *selection* of topic
- b. appropriate *introduction* of topic

This sub-component assesses the student’s ability to *establish a conversation* by appropriate *selection* and *introduction* of the topic.

##### **2. Maintains Conversation**

- a. duration of topic
- b. appropriate turn-taking

This sub-component assess the student’s ability to *maintain a conversation* in terms of *duration* of sustaining the topic and appropriate *turn-taking* during the flow of communication.

##### **3. Content of Topic is:**

- a. accurate
- b. logical
- c. relevant to subject at hand
- d. concise

The *content* of the TOPIC is also assessed in terms of *accuracy*, *logic* (one thought logically follows another without the introduction of non-relevant data, themes, or questions), *relevance* to the subject under general consideration and *conciseness*. *Concise* refers to the degree to which the topic covered demonstrates under or over elaboration or perseveration. Perseveration is demonstrated by the student’s inability to shift ideas. It is a restricted, limiting scope within the boundaries of the topics.

#### 4. Changes topics appropriately

#### 5. Revises message to fit change in topic

#### 6. Modifies message to repair breakdown in communication

The sub-components of the TOPIC also includes an indication of the students' ability to change topics appropriately, revise messages within the flow of reciprocal communication based on new information being received. It also includes the ability to modify the message to repair breakdowns in communication. A modification of the message is in response to the students' perception that the person intended to receive the message doesn't understand it. The speaker then adjusts the message so that it is better understood.

#### 7. Terminates conversation appropriately

The last sub-component under TOPIC is the assessment of the student's ability to terminate conversation appropriately, (i.e. the student demonstrates an ability to 'close' the topic).

### B. PURPOSE

Purpose of conversation and/or communication is the second category of this survey. The purpose is the inferred "why" behind the communication event. A message may be delivered with varying degrees of directness and politeness and clarity.

Purpose has five (5) sub-components with elaboration for each sub-component, as follows:

#### 1. Requesting / Asking

- a. choices/either-or questions
- b. another's emotions, sensations, or intents
- c. product questions
- d. process questions
- e. for action
- f. permission for an action or object
- g. for clarification of prior remark
- h. suggesting action

Requesting / Asking behavior may employ "why" interrogatives or using inflection, e.g., upward tone of voice at the end of a sentence. "Asking" may be used to obtain information, clarify a message or to initiate a message to alter another person's actions.

Product Question: A product question is one that requires a response that involved a product, such as information. Example: What is the capital of Virginia?

Process Question: A process question is one that is asking for information about a process/sequence of steps. The response to a process question would provide information/clarification about a sequence of events. Example: Okay, after I sort my clothes by color, and put them in the washing machine, what do I do next? OR After I earn status 4, what do I have to do to earn status 5?

Action Question: An action question is one which asks others to do something that involves an action.

Example: Would you please prepare the dog's food and feed her?

#### 2. Informing

- a. explaining, describing or identifying
- b. expressing personal judgments, opinions, attitudes, agreements, or disagreements
- c. expressing beliefs about other's abilities
- d. answering choices, questions, or indicating compliance

Informing pertains to the use of statements to convey specific information. It may be a relevant response to a question.

### 3. Regulating

- a. uses warning when appropriate
- b. uses reminders when appropriate
- c. delineates personal claims
- d. labels the speaker who gets next turn
- e. uses persuasion appropriately
- f. objects to another's behavior/demand
- g. offers assistance
- h. uses negation appropriately
- i. attempts to delay or speed-up action of self or others appropriately

Regulating pertains to the use of statements that intend to control another's behavior, to get attention, negotiate or influence actions.

Delineates personal claims: Statements that identify personal claims/rights to property, privileges, etc.

Example: It's my turn to use the camera next.

### 4. Expressing (receptive / expressive)

- a. uses statements to express emotions, sensations, intents of self
- b. uses statements to express beliefs about the emotions, sensations or intents of others
- c. tells jokes appropriately
- d. apologizes appropriately
- e. congratulates appropriately
- f. using exclaiming appropriately
- g. uses teasing, annoying or provoking of others in a playful, good-natured manner
- h. understands / responds appropriately to jokes
- i. understands / responds appropriately to playful, good-natured teasing
- j. uses appropriate volume
- k. uses tone of voice consistent with situation / intent

Expressing is a type of language that uses statements that describe a person's emotions, sensations, intents, beliefs, or that label or elicit emotions in others. It also includes self emotions such as "That hurts", "I feel sad" or other-directed comments such as "You look happy", "I bet that hurt".

Expressing may also define a prediction "If I do that, it will hurt me" ....

### 5. Ritualizing

- a. demonstrates "manner" - greetings, farewells, introductions, phone manners, and/or politeness markers
- b. uses specific context-audience exchange

Ritualizing pertains to a type of communication where the person demonstrates a response to a social situation that implies an "automatic" element in the response: (e.g. use of appropriate manners). A person may excuse themselves for stepping in front of another person, belching, interrupting conversation, etc.

Ritualizing may pertain to a specific social context as well when exchange with an audience is required. For example, a sales clerk may ask "May I help you?", "May I take your order?", etc.

Ritualizing – uses specific context-audience exchange : "Automatic" social manners that are elicited in a specific context. Example: (context: TLC Talent Show). Emcee steps up to the microphone and says, "Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen." OR (context: TLC school building, and UPS man walks through doorway). Student approaches and asks, "May I help you?"

### C. ABSTRACTION

Abstraction is a separate category for assessment with six (6) sub-components as follows:

1. **Uses sarcasm appropriately**
2. **Understands / responds appropriately to sarcasm**
3. **Uses idioms / figurative language appropriately**
4. **Understands / responds appropriately to idioms / figurative language**
5. **Uses indirect messages**
6. **Understands / responds appropriately to indirect messages**

Abstraction pertains to a type of message that is communicated by language that is not concrete. An abstract message requires inference and it usually relates to mood, tone, audience and event. Nonverbal cues are relied on more heavily for interpretation than the statement itself. The student's intent is to communicate a relationship, image, or emotion that can not be conveyed in direct terms. "Hints" need to be combined to sum up the message.

Abstractions – uses indirect messages – This involves the use of nonverbal communication to convey the message. *Example:* A student notices a group of peers gathered around another peer who is sharing a bag of chips. He stands nearby, wide-eyed, licking his lips, and inquires, "Are those good?" The indirect message, "Can I have some chips?" is indirectly communicated by the close proximity, wide-eyed, and lip-licking behaviors.

Abstractions – understands/responds appropriately to indirect messages -- Is the student able to correctly interpret (and respond to) indirect communication, (see preceding example)?

### D. VISUAL / GESTURAL CUES

Visual / Gestural cues refer to nonverbal ways of communicating attitudes, moods, or affective states in general. Posture, proximity, eye contact, body movements are elements of visual / gestural cues. Visual / gestural cues have 6 sub-components as follows:

#### 1. **Uses appropriate eye contact**

Eye contact (initiated, sustained, diverted, avoided) is a visual / gestural cue related to the message.

#### 2. **Gestures / body posture is consistent with message**

Body language (posture) can be consistent or inconsistent with the message. For example, arms folded, sideways stance, shifting position, unrelated and/or competing body movements in relation to the message are observable indices of socially appropriate communication, or interfering behaviors.

#### 3. **Facial expression is consistent with message**

Facial expressions, such as grimace or smile are observable indices of a message.

#### 4. **Uses appropriate proximity / distance**

Use of proximity to others is also an observable index of a message.

#### 5. **Uses appropriate physical contact**

Physical contact refers to the use of touch to convey a message and influence the behavior of others.

#### 6. **Responds appropriately to:**

- a. eye contact
- b. gesture / body posture
- c. facial expression
- d. physical proximity
- e. physical contact

Responses to visual / gestural communication may be consistent or inconsistent, or appropriate or inappropriate to the message. Social context is also assessed by this sub-component.

## REFERENCE GROUP

As you rate a TLC student, compare the skill level of the TLC student with the skill level of same-age average students in the general population. For example, how does the skill level of the TLC student compare to the skill level of an emotionally healthy, well-adjusted student of the same age, in a public school? Specifically, base your rating on the behavior, or lack of it, that you directly observe in your daily interaction with the student.

## RATINGS

A rating score of zero to five (0-5) may be awarded to each index in the survey. Score values are as follows:

0 = no behavior observed	Skill is <u>never</u> observed
1 = (1 - 20% of the time) (1-2 times out of 10)	Skill is <u>rarely</u> observed.
2 = (21 - 40% of the time) (3-4 times out of 10)	Skill is <u>sometimes</u> observed.
3 = (41 - 60% of the time) (5-6 times out of 10)	Skill is evident in many settings, but performance is inadequate, and inconsistent. Skill still dependent on external prompts.
4 = (61 - 80% of the time) (7-8 times out of 10)	Skill is mastered at an age-appropriate level, and demonstrated in <u>most</u> settings. Evidence of some level of internalization of skill.
5 = (81 - 100% of the time) (9-10 times out of 10)	Skill is mastered at a high level of quality, and demonstrated <u>consistently</u> in <u>all settings</u> . Skill has been internalized, and does not require external prompts.

## INTERPRETATION

Divide column totals by 65 to average score.  $\frac{\text{Column total}}{65}$

A score of 0, 1, or 2 for any survey index represents a target for treatment intervention.

A score of 3 on, an index may need treatment intervention, depending on the significance of that behavior for the student's overall social functioning.

A total column score of 130 represents an average index score of 2. An average score of 2 or less represents severe social pragmatic skill deficits. An average score this low indicates that a specialized treatment plan and structured environment may be required to elicit and maintain pragmatic skills. The therapeutic intervention and structured supports should be continued until the skills are incorporated into the behavioral repertoire of the person, and generalized across multiple settings.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorder: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

KEY	Degree of Skill
<b>0</b> not high	<b>1 2 3 4 5</b> low -----

TOPIC	CLASSROOM		RESIDENCE		OTHER
	w/ peers	w/ adults	w/ peers	w/ adults	
1. Establishes conversation					
a. Appropriate selection of topic	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Appropriate introduction of topic	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
2. Maintains conversation					
a. Duration of topic					
for 1 minute	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
for 5 minutes	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
for 10 minutes	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
for 15+ minutes	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Appropriate turn taking	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
3. Content of topic is:					
a. Accurate	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Logical *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Relevant to subject at hand	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Concise *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
4. Changes topics appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
5. Revises message to fit change in topic	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
6. Modifies message to repair breakdown in communication *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
7. Terminates conversation appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
<i>TOPIC SUBTOTAL</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>TOPIC MEAN: Subtotal / 15</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>PURPOSE</b>					
1. Requesting * / Asking:					
a. Choices / either or questions	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Another's emotions, sensations, or intents	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Product questions *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Process questions *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
e. For action	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
f. Permission for an action or object	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
g. For clarification of prior remark *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
h. Suggesting action *	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5

	CLASSROOM		RESIDENCE		OTHER
	w/ peers	w/ adults	w/ peers	w/ adults	
2. Informing *					
a. Explaining, describing, or identifying	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Expressing personal judgments, opinions, attitudes, agreement, or disagreements	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Expressing beliefs about other's abilities	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Answering choice questions or indicating compliance	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
3. Regulating *					
a. Uses warning when appropriate	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Uses reminders when appropriate	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Delineates personal claims	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Labels the speaker who gets next turn	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
e. Uses persuasion appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
f. Objects to another's behavior/demand	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
g. Offers assistance	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
h. Uses negation appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
i. Attempts to delay or speed-up action of self or others appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
4. Expressing * (receptive/expressive)					
a. Uses statements to express emotions, sensations, intents in self	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Uses statements to express beliefs about the emotions, sensations, or intents of others	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Tells jokes appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Apologizes appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
e. Congratulates appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
f. Using exclaiming appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
g. Uses teasing, annoying or provoking of others in a playful, good-natured manner	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
h. Understands / responds appropriately to jokes	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
i. Understands / responds appropriately to playful, good-natured teasing	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
j. Uses appropriate volume	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
k. Uses tone of voice consistent with situation / intent	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
5. Ritualizing					
a. Demonstrates "manner" - greetings, farewells, introductions, phone manners, and/or politeness markers	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Uses specific context-audience exchange	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
<b>PURPOSE SUBTOTAL</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>PURPOSE MEAN: Subtotal / 34</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

	CLASSROOM		RESIDENCE		OTHER
	w/ peers	w/ adults	w/ peers	w/ adults	
<b>ABSTRACTIONS *</b>					
1. Uses sarcasm appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
2. Understands / responds appropriately to sarcasms	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
3. Uses idioms / figurative language appropriately	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
4. Understands / responds appropriately to idioms/figurative language	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
5. Uses indirect messages	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
6. Understands / responds appropriately to indirect messages	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
<i>ABSTRACTIONS SUBTOTAL</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>ABSTRACTIONS MEAN: Subtotal / 6</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>VISUAL / GESTURAL CUES</b>					
1. Uses appropriate eye contact	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
2. Gestures / body posture is consistent with message	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
3. Facial expression is consistent with message	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
4. Uses appropriate proximity / distance	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
5. Uses appropriate physical contact	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
6. Responds appropriately to:					
a. Eye contact	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
b. Gesture / body posture	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
c. Facial expressions	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
d. Physical proximity	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
e. Physical contact	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5	0 1 2 3 4 5
<i>VISUAL/GESTURAL CUES SUBTOTAL</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>VISUAL/GESTURAL CUES MEAN: Subtotal / 10</i>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

COLUMN SUBTOTALS:					
Topic					
Purpose	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Abstractions	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Visual / Gestural Cues	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Grand Total	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Overall Mean: Grand Total / 65	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

\* Refer to "Descriptions / Examples..."for clarification"

Additional Comments / Observations:

Sources: "Pragmatic Skills Checklist" from  
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