

**TICS-M**

Now I'd like to ask you some questions for a memory exercise. I need you to answer these questions on your own, without getting any help from anyone else. Also please do not look anything up or write notes of any kind, as that would give us an incorrect measure. We also need you to try and prevent any interruptions, so perhaps you'd like to close the door to the room you're in and turn off radios or the TV. Please just answer the questions as best you can. Are you ready?

*Note: you can repeat any question ONCE, except for the word list and the sentence repetition.*

Instruction	Scoring Criteria	Max	Missing Data	SCORE
What day of the week is it <i>today</i> ?	1 pt for exactly correct	1		
What is today's date?	1 pt each for date, month, year. <i>If incomplete, prompt with specifics e.g. "what is the month"?</i>	3		
What season are we currently in?	1 pt for correct. Give +/- 3 days (e.g. count "Summer" correct on 3 <sup>rd</sup> March). Give +/- 3 days from the 21 <sup>st</sup> for people from Europe & the USA.	1		
Can you tell me your age?	1 pt for exactly correct	1		
Do you know your telephone number?	1 pt for exactly correct	1		

Now I'm going to read you a list of ten words. Please listen carefully as *I am going to ask you to try and remember them. You're not allowed to write the words down - so when I have finished reading the list, just tell me as many words as you can remember in any order.* I can only say the words once, *are you ready?* The words are:

	Missing Data	Correct?
Cabin		
Pipe		
Elephant		
Chest		
Silk		
Theatre		
Watch		
Whip		
Pillow		
Giant		

*Read clearly & loudly at 1 word per second.  
1 pt for each correct response. No penalty for repetitions or intrusions.*

(max 10)

*Can you remember any words in that list?*

Total words correct:

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

ID No: \_\_\_\_\_

Now can I ask you to take 7 away from 100 and continue to take 7 away from your answer until I ask you to stop?

	Answer	Missing?	Correct
93			
86			
79			
72			
65			

Refused?

Total correct:

(max 5)

(Stop after 5 subtractions. 1 pt for each correct subtraction. Allow answers to carry forward, e.g. if they say "90, 83, 76, 69, 62" they would get 4 correct as only the first one was wrong)

Instruction	Scoring Criteria	Max	Missing	Score
Can I ask you now to count backwards from 20 to 1	1 pt for exactly correct	1		
What do people normally use to cut paper?	1 pt for 'scissors' or 'shears'	1		
What is the name of the prickly green plant that grows in the desert?	1 pt for 'cactus' or 'prickly pear'	1		
Who is Prime Minister of Australia now?	1 pt for correct last name 'Morrison'	1		
Do you know the name of the Premier of NSW?	1 pt for correct last name 'Berejiklian' or close approximation	1		
What is the opposite of "east"?	1 pt for 'west'	1		
Can you say the words: "British constitution"	1 pt for complete repetition on the first trial. Repeat only if poorly presented.	1		

Now can you remember any of the words from the list I read out earlier?

	Missing	Correct
Cabin		
Pipe		
Elephant		
Chest		
Silk		
Theatre		
Watch		
Whip		
Pillow		
Giant		

(max 10)

Total words correct:

TICS Total: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Max 39)