

THE BRIEF ALZHEIMER SCREEN (BAS) INSTRUMENT

01 "What is today's date? (exact only)"

CORRECT: 5 POINTS
INCORRECT: 0 POINTS

02 Get the participant's attention, then say: *"I am going to say three words that I want you to remember now and later. The words are **APPLE** **TABLE** **PENNY** Please say them for me now."*

(Give the participant 3 tries to repeat the words. If unable after 3 tries, go to next item. This is not scored.)

03 "Please spell the word 'WORLD' backwards." Write the participant's answers below.

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ANSWER: DLROW. Give 2 points for each correct letter. Maximum 10 points.

04 "What were the three words I asked you to remember?"

SCORE 3 POINTS FOR EACH WORD RECALLED. Maximum 9 points.

05 "Tell me as many animals as you can think of". Look at your watch and say go when you and the participant are ready. Count how many different animals the participant says in 30 seconds. You may use a piece of paper to write them if that helps you. Enter the number of animals in the box (1 point for each animal named).

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TOTAL SCORE: ADD THE FOUR BOXES ABOVE

(No maximum score. E.g., if the number of animals is 8, the score will be 32.)

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RECOMMEND THAT THE PARTICIPANT SEES A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL IF THE SCORE IS 23 OR BELOW

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