The High-Functioning Autism Spectrum Screening Questionnaire (ASSQ)

Name of child _____ Date of birth _____

Name of rater (relationship to the child) _____
Date of rating _____

This child stands out as different from other children of his/her age in the following way:

	No	**Somewhat**	**Yes**
1. is old-fashioned or precocious	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
2. is regarded as an "eccentric professor" by the other children	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
3. lives somewhat in a world of his/her own with restricted idiosyncratic intellectual interests	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
4. accumulates facts on certain subjects (good rote memory) but does not really understand the meaning	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
5. has a literal understanding of ambiguous and metaphorical language	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
6. has a deviant style of communication with a formal, fussy, old-fashioned or "robotlike" language	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
7. invents idiosyncratic words and expressions	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
8. has a different voice or speech	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
9. expresses sounds involuntarily; clears throat, grunts, smacks, cries or screams	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
10. is surprisingly good at some things and surprisingly poor at others	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
11. uses language freely but fails to make adjustment to fit social contexts or the needs of different listeners	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
12. lacks empathy	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
13. makes naive and embarrassing remarks	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
14. has a deviant style of gaze	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
15. wishes to be sociable but fails to make relationships with peers	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
16. can be with other children but only on his/her terms	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

	No	Somewhat	Yes
17. lacks best friend	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
18. lacks common sense	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
19. is poor at games: no idea of cooperating in a team, scores "own goals"	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
20. has clumsy, ill coordinated, ungainly, awkward movements or gestures	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
21. has involuntary face or body movements	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
22. has difficulties in completing simple daily activities because of compulsory repetition of certain actions or thoughts	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
23. has special routines: insists on no change	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
24. shows idiosyncratic attachment to objects	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
25. is bullied by other children	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
26. has markedly unusual facial expression	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
27. has markedly unusual posture	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

Specify reasons other than above:

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