

# AQ-10 for young people aged 12 - 15 | Autism Research Centre

The AQ-10 helps indicate whether someone should be referred for an autism assessment. This version is for parents or carers to complete about young person aged 12 - 15 with suspected autism who does not have a learning disability.

	<b>Please tick one option per question only</b>	Definitely agree	Slightly agree	Slightly disagree	Definitely disagree
<b>1</b>	S/he notices patterns in things all the time				
<b>2</b>	S/he usually concentrates more on the whole picture, rather than the small details				
<b>3</b>	In a social group, s/he can easily keep track of several different people's conversations				
<b>4</b>	If there is an interruption, s/he can switch back to what s/he was doing very quickly				
<b>5</b>	S/he frequently finds that s/he doesn't know how to keep a conversation going				
<b>6</b>	S/he is good at social chit-chat				
<b>7</b>	When s/he was younger, s/he used to enjoy playing games involving pretending with other children				
<b>8</b>	S/he finds it difficult to imagine what it would be like to be someone else				
<b>9</b>	S/he finds social situations easy				
<b>10</b>	S/he finds it hard to make new friends				

## Scoring guidance

Only one point can be scored for each question.

- Score one point for "definitely" or "slightly **agree**" on questions 1, 5, 8 and 10
- Score one point for "definitely" or "slightly **disagree**" on questions 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 9

If the young person scores **six or above**, consider referring them for an autism assessment.

Please note that a diagnosis cannot be determined solely by a single score from this questionnaire. A formal diagnosis can only be made after a clinical assessment conducted by a trained professional.

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