

## Problem Behavior Questionnaire

Respondent Information			
Student _____	DOB _____	Grade _____	Sex: M F IEP: Y N
Teacher _____	School _____		
Telephone _____	Date _____		

**Student Behavior:** Please briefly describe the problem behavior(s)

**Directions:** Keeping in mind a typical episode of the problem behavior, circle the frequency with which each of the following statements is true.

	Percent of the time						
	Never	10%	25%	50%	75%	90%	Always
1. Does the problem behavior occur and persist when you make a request to perform a task?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
2. When the problem behavior occurs do you redirect the student to get back to task or follow rules?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
3. During a conflict with peers, if the student engages in the problem behavior do peers leave the student alone?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
4. When the problem behavior occurs do peers verbally respond or laugh at the student?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
5. Is the problem behavior more likely to occur following a conflict outside of the classroom (e.g., bus write-up)?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
6. Does the problem behavior occur to get your attention when you are working with other students?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
7. Does the problem behavior occur in the presence of specific peers?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
8. Is the problem behavior more likely to continue to occur throughout the day following an earlier episode?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
9. Does the problem behavior occur during specific academic activities?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
10. Does the problem behavior stop when peers stop interacting with the student?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
11. Does the behavior stop when peers are attending to other students?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
12. If the student engages in the problem behavior do you provide one-to-one instruction to get student back on task?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
13. Does the problem behavior cease if you stop making requests or end an academic activity?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
14. If the student engages in the problem behavior, do peers stop interacting with the student?	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
15. Is the problem more likely to occur following	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

unscheduled events or disruption in class routines?

**Problem Behavior Questionnaire Profile**

**Directions:** Circle the score given for each question from the scale below the corresponding question number (in bold).

In interpreting the completed student profile, any item circled at the three (3) or above level represents a potential hypothesis (or explanation) for the student motivation to engage in the problem behavior. If two or more are circled at the three (3) or above level in any of the five categories, it suggests a primary hypothesis.

Peers			Adults						Setting Events					
Escape			Attention			Escape			Attention					
<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>
6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Lewis, Scott, and Sugai (1994)