## Brisbane Evidence-Based Language Test

Clinician: $\qquad$
Date: $\qquad$

Patient Name:
Address: $\qquad$
ID: $\qquad$

## Foundation Test with Objects

Subtests:

- Perceptual
- Auditory Comprehension
- Verbal Expression
- Reading
- Writing

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## Results Summary

| SUBTEST SCORE | SCORE | COMMENTS | TOTAL |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| PERCEPTUAL |  |  |  |
| 1. Copying Gestures | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 2. Object to Object Matching | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 3. Demonstrating Object Use | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 4. Demonstrating Object Use from Pictures | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 5. Object to Picture Matching | $/ 2$ |  | $/ 15$ |
| 6. Picture to Picture Matching (semantic links) | $/ 5$ |  |  |


| AUDITORY COMPREHENSION |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 7. Yes / No Questions | $/ 12$ |  |  |
| 8. Following Verbal Commands | $/ 4$ |  |  |
| 9. Identifying pictures by description | $/ 6$ |  |  |
| 10. Identifying objects by function | $/ 2$ |  | $/ \mathbf{2 4}$ |


| VERBAL EXPRESSION | $/ 1$ |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 11. Automatic Speech | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 12. Sentence Completion | $/ 4$ |  |  |
| 13. Personal / Orientation Questions | $/ 3$ |  |  |
| 14. Repetition | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 15. Object Naming | $/ 2$ |  | $/ 19$ |
| 16. Naming Actions | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 17. Picture Naming | $/ 3$ |  |  |
| 18. Naming objects from the room |  |  |  |


| READING |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 19. Object to Word Matching | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 20. Single Word Reading | $/ 2$ |  | $/ 4$ |


| WRITING |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| 21. Drawing Completion | $/ 1$ |  |  |
| 22. Simple Copying | $/ 2$ |  |  |
| 23. Functional Writing - Name | $/ 2$ |  | $/ 5$ |

Adapted Brisbane EBLT Total Score
Adapted score: excluding hospital ward items
If test is not administered at hospital bedside omit *Subtest 18 (which requires the naming of hospital ward objects) (note total possible test score is now 64)

Two of each of the following objects are required: cup, pen, spoon and knife



ALL OBJECTS TAKEN OUT OF SIGHT - NOW GIVE ONE AT A TIME
3 DEMONSTRATING OBJECT USE
'Show me how you would use these objects. I'll do the first one.' [Pick up KNIFE and pretend to saw/cut]. 'Now your turn' [Give patient $\rightarrow$ PEN]

| PEN | Pretends to write |  | $/ 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CUP | Pretends to drink |  | $\ldots / 1$ | $\ldots / 2$ |


| $\mathbf{4}$ | GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE $\mathbf{1}$ | DEMONSTRATING GESTURES (Object Use) FROM PICTURES |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 'Show me the action that goes with each picture. I'll do the first one.' <br> [Point to 'Hammer' and pretend to use a hammer] 'Now your turn.' [Point to KEY] |  |  |  |  |
| If needed, physically assist patient to copy your action in practice task (hammer) to demonstrate task aim |  |  |  |  |
| Key | Pretends to turn key in lock |  | $-\mathbf{1}$ |  |
| Toothbrush | Pretends to clean teeth |  | $-/ \mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{-} / \mathbf{2}$ |

5 GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 2 OBJECT TO PICTURE MATCHING
'Match the object with the right picture. I'll do the first one.' [Get out KNIFE $\rightarrow$ point to the picture of the KNIFE or place the KNIFE on picture of the KNIFE]. 'It goes there.' [Take the KNIFE away].
'Now your turn.' [Give patient the PEN]

| PEN | Match PEN with picture of PEN |  | $\ldots / 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| SPOON | Match SPOON with picture of SPOON |  | $\ldots / 1$ | $\ldots$ |

## PUT OBJECTS AWAY (required again later)

6 GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 3 PICTURE to PICTURE (Semantic Links)
'Which of these bottom two pictures goes best with the middle one? [Point to pictures]
'I'll do the first one.' [Point to GLOVES and HANDS]. 'These go together.' 'Now your turn.'
Scoring: patient can either point or say name of target picture name in response

| Apple | Banana (left) |  | Fruit (noun) | $/ 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Saw | Scissors (left) |  | Cutting tools (adjective) | -11 |  |
| Mop | Tissue (right) |  | Cleaning (verb) | $/ 1$ | $\ldots / 3$ |

'Now let's try pictures of actions' [Verbs]


## Presence of Impairment

$\square$ Hearing impairment (mild / moderate / profound)
$\square$ Presence of hearing aids
$\square$ Left
$\square$ Right Impacting on test performance? $\square$ Yes $\quad \square$ No

## 7 YES/NO QUESTIONS

| Is your name 'MARK'/ 'JAMES’? (male patients) (or) Is your name 'EMMA'/ 'KATE’? (female patients) <br> [CHOOSE INCORRECT PATIENT NAME] | 'NO' |  | _-1 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Is your name...? [INSERT CORRECT FIRST NAME] | 'YES' |  | /1 |  |
| Are you a woman? | 'YES' or 'NO' |  | /1 |  |
| Are you a man? | 'YES' or 'NO' |  | /1 |  |
| Are we in Moscow? [INCORRECT] | 'NO' |  | /1 |  |
| Are we in.......? [INSERT CORRECT CITY/TOWN] | 'YES' |  | /1 | /6 |
| Is it night time? | 'YES' or 'NO' |  | /1 |  |
| Is this a hospital? | 'YES' or 'NO' |  | /1 |  |
| Are you in bed? | 'YES' or 'NO' |  | /1 | /3 |
| Do fish swim? | 'YES' |  | /1 |  |
| Is sugar salty? | ' $\mathrm{NO}^{\prime}$ |  | /1 |  |
| Does 6 come before 3? | ' $\mathrm{NO}^{\prime}$ |  | /1 | /3 |
|  |  | TOTAL: |  | 12 |

## 8 FOLLOWING VERBAL COMMANDS

'I'd like you to do what I say. If I say 'wave' you then...' [WAVE to demonstrate]. If required gently assist patient to lift arm and wave. 'Now your turn. I want you to...Smile.'
(All components must be correct to achieve score)
CAN REPEAT COMMAND AGAIN ONCE However ask patient to RE-START their response from beginning.

## 1 Stage

| Close your eyes |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | __/1 |  |
| Point to the ceiling | (Point = indication with finger/ arm/ hand) |  |
|  | __1 | -/2 |

'These commands now get longer. Please wait until l've finished before you respond.'
NOTE - Score patient normally even if patient starts responding before you finish speaking (do not penalise)
2 Stage

| Touch your nose then point to the floor $\quad$ (can use the same or different hands, though must complete in this order) |
| :--- |
| Point to me while shaking your head |
| S |
| SCORING: Score target modality only ( ignore unrelated vocalisations). However, inclusion of unrelated gestural responses (purposeful <br> actions) $=$ mark incorrect. (e.g. 'Point to the ceiling' $=$ patient pointed to ceiling and floor $=$ incorrect). |

## 9 GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 4 IDENTIFYING PICTURES BY DESCRIPTION

'Point to the...'

| Toilet Sign/Washroom Sign (N) | Points to Toilet Sign |  | $/ 1$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Boat $(\mathrm{N})$ | Points to Boat |  | $/ 1$ |

'Now point to the one that...'

| Slithers (V) | Points to Snake |  | $/ 1$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Sails (V) | Points to Boat |  | $/ 1$ |

'Now point to the one which...'

| Is Poisonous $(A)$ | Points to Snake |  | $\ldots / 1$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Is Thorny $(A)$ | Points to Rose | $\ldots / 1$ | $\ldots / 6$ |

## 10 IDENTIFYING OBJECTS BY FUNCTION

## 'I would like you to point to some different body parts.'

| Point to where you would wear a hat | Head |  | $/ 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Point to a place where someone would usually wear a ring | Finger |  | $/ 1$ | $/ 2$ |

SCORING: Patient can indicate body part by showing it to you, waving it or pointing to it.


Subtest requires items found at
the acute hospital bedside

## Presence of Expressive Impairment

$\square$ Dysarthria (mild/mod/severe)
$\square$ Verbal dyspraxia (mild/mod/severe)
$\square$ Other condition (e.g. dysphonia) $\qquad$
$\qquad$ Impacting on performance:
$\square$ Y
Yes
$\square$ NoSometimes
$\square$ Yes
$\square$ No
$\square$ Sometimes $\square$ Yes
$\square$ No
$\square$ Sometimes

## 11 AUTOMATIC SPEECH

'Count from 1 to 10.' 'I'll start ... one, two, three...'

| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 10 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## 12 SENTENCE COMPLETION

'Finish what I say. Boys and ... [Pause] GIRLS.' 'Now your turn.' 'Up and ...'


| 13 | PERSONAL/ ORIENTATION QUESTIONS |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tell me, what is your name? | As listed in medical chart <br> First name scored only. Accept <br> appropriate alternative e.g. 'Bob' |  | -1 |  |
| What is your date of birth? | D, M, Y (any order) |  | -1 |  |
| What month is it now? | Current month |  | -1 |  |
| Who is your next of kin, or your <br> closest relative? | As listed in medical chart/as <br> per family report |  | -1 | $-\quad / 4$ |

14 REPETITION

| 'Repeat what I say...' | (Score LANGUAGE component, not motor speech/other deficits) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Book |  | Impossible | Uncharacteristically |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{- 3}$ |  |

## OBJECTS REQUIRED

## 15 Object NAMING

[Get out a KNIFE] 'What is this called? I'll do the first one. This is a knife."
[Next, get out a CUP] 'What's this called?'

| CUP | Patient says 'CUP' or 'MUG' | /1 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SPOON | Patient says 'SPOON' or 'TEASPOON' | /1 | /2 |

16 NAMING ACTIONS (VERBS)
'What do you call this action?' [Pick up KNIFE and pretend to saw/cut] 'I am CUTTING.'
[Next, pick up a CUP and pretend to drink] 'Tell me, what am I doing?'

| CUP - DRINKING | 'Drinking'/ 'Sipping'/ 'Having a drink' ('drink' = incorrect) |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PEN - WRITING | 'Writing' ('write' = incorrect) |  | $\ldots$ | 1 |

SCORING: Score verb response only (e.g. patient answers with grammatically incorrect phrase 'Writing a pen' $=$ correct, as task aim = naming the verb ('writing'). Further example:' 'Writing a feather' = correct (as verb is named correctly)

\section*{| 17 | GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 5 | PICTURE NAMING |
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'Look at these pictures.' [Point to Car] 'What is this?'

| Car | Car/Motorcar/Automobile/Sedan (if patient responds with <br> 'vehicle' or 'motor-vehicle' - say 'Can you be more specific?') |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Toilet | Toilet/Lavatory/WC (if patient responds with <br> 'Loo/Dunny/Toot' - say 'Can you give me another word for it?') |

18 NAMING OBJECTS FROM ROOM

| 'Let's name some items in the room.' [Point to item in room $\rightarrow$ BED] | 'What's this called?' |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Bed | 'Bed' (if patient responds with 'mattress/sheet' indicate more <br> generally to the entire bed) |  | $\ldots / 1$ |  |
| Chair | 'Chair' |  | $\ldots / 1$ |  |
| Pillow | 'Pillow' ('cushion' = incorrect) |  | $\ldots / 1$ | $\ldots / 3$ |

SCORING INSTRUCTIONS: Score READING language performance. Do not penalise for any visual or perceptual deficits (e.g. hemianopia). If required provide patient with an enlarged version of test items.

| Presence of Impairment | Impacting on Test Performance? |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ Presence of hemianopia? (mild $/ \bmod /$ severe) | $\square$ Yes | $\square$ No |
| $\square$ Sometimes |  |  |
| $\square$ Presence of other visual impairment? | $\square$ Yes | $\square$ No |
| $\square$ Sometimes |  |  |

## OBJECTS REQUIRED

19 GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 6 OBJECT TO WORD MATCHING
'Match the object with the right WORD. I'll do the first one.' [Take out KNIFE and match it with the word 'KNIFE'] 'Now your turn.' [Give patient the SPOON]


20 GIVE STIMULUS SLIDE 7 SINGLE WORD READING
'Read these words and then point to the body part. I'll do the first one. Watch me. If I point to this' [Point to word 'HAND'], 'You do this' [Point to your own HAND] 'Now your turn.' [Point to word 'EAR']


## o) Writing

SCORING: Score WRITTEN LANGUAGE performance not upper limb motor performance. Patients may need to use their non-dominant hand.

## Dominant writing hand: <br> $\square$ Left <br> $\square$ Right

Presence of hemiparesis impacting on writing ability?
$\square$ NoYes (mild/mod/severe)
Hand used for writing tasks:

$\square$ Right
$\square$ Unaffected dominant Hemparetic dominant
$\square$ Non-dominant Legibility of writing: $\square$ Legible $\square$ Partially Legible $\square$ Illegible $\square$ Unable

21 GIVE WRITTEN RESPONSE FORM $\quad$ DRAWING COMPLETION
'Look at this picture. Draw in the part that is missing.'

| Face (mouth) | Draws in mouth |  | $\ldots$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

SCORING: Response should indicate a general horizontal/curved shape located in general region under nose. Single line is acceptable. Do not penalise for motor weakness. Score based on understanding of concept only (awareness the mouth is missing).

| 22 | KEEP WRITTEN RE | NSE FORM | SIMPLE COPYING |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 'Look at these.' [Point to '87' and 'man']. 'Copy them below.' |  |  |  | SCORING: must be legible and spelt correctly = correct score. |  |
| Give patient time to respond, however if patient clearly does not comprehend task, score 87 as incorrect and provide patient with answer (write in ' 87 'for patient). Then point to the second copying task (copying 'man') to initiate patient response. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 87 |  | 87 |  |  | -/1 |
| man |  | man (lower case or capitals = correct) |  | /1 | 1 1 _/ 2 |

## 23 KEEP WRITTEN RESPONSE FORM <br> FUNCTIONAL WRITING

'Write your full name here.' [Point to line below]

| Full name | $\square$ | First Name |  | $\ldots / 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | $\square$ | Second Name (surname) |  | $\ldots / 1$ | $\ldots / 2$ |



Write your full name:

## Brisbane Evidence-Based Language Test

## Stimulus Forms

Foundation Test with Objects






Auditory Comprehension - Stimulus Slide 4



## Knife Pen <br> Cup <br> 

## Hand

## Ear

Nose

