

# SSI-3

## Stuttering Severity Instrument-3 TEST RECORD AND FREQUENCY COMPUTATION FORM

### Identifying Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sex M F Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 School \_\_\_\_\_  
 Examiner \_\_\_\_\_  
 Preschool \_\_\_ School Age \_\_\_ Adult \_\_\_ Reader \_\_\_ Nonreader \_\_\_

**FREQUENCY** Use Readers Table or Nonreaders Table, not both.

#### READERS TABLE

1. Speaking Task		2. Reading Task	
Percentage	Task Score	Percentage	Task Score
1	2	1	2
2	3		
3	4	2	4
4-5	5	3-4	5
6-7	6	5-7	6
8-11	7	8-12	7
12-21	8	13-20	8
22 & up	9	21 & up	9

#### NONREADERS TABLE

3. Speaking Task	
Percentage	Task Score
1	4
2	6
3	8
4-5	10
6-7	12
8-11	14
12-21	16
22 & up	18

Frequency Score (use 1 + 2 or 3)

### DURATION

Average length of three longest stuttering events  
timed to the nearest 1/10th second

	Scale Score
Fleeting (.5 sec or less)	2
Half-second (.5- .9 sec)	4
1 full second (1.0- 1.9 secs)	6
2 seconds (2.0- 2.9 secs)	8
3 seconds (3.0- 4.9 secs)	10
5 seconds (5.0- 9.9 secs)	12
10 seconds (10.0-29.9 secs)	14
30 seconds (30.0-59.9 secs)	16
1 minute (60 secs or more)	18

Duration Score (2 - 18)

### PHYSICAL CONCOMITANTS

Evaluating Scale

- 0 = none
- 1 = not noticeable unless looking for it
- 2 = barely noticeable to casual observer
- 3 = distracting
- 4 = very distracting
- 5 = severe and painful-looking

DISTRACTING SOUNDS

Noisy breathing, whistling, sniffing, blowing, clicking sounds

0 1 2 3 4 5

FACIAL GRIMACES

Jaw jerking, tongue protruding, lip pressing, jaw muscles tense

0 1 2 3 4 5

HEAD MOVEMENTS

Back, forward, turning away, poor eye contact, constant looking around

0 1 2 3 4 5

MOVEMENTS OF THE EXTREMITIES

Arm and hand movement, hands about face, torso movement, leg movements, foot-tapping or swinging

0 1 2 3 4 5

Physical Concomitants Score

### TOTAL OVERALL SCORE

Frequency \_\_\_\_\_ + Duration \_\_\_\_\_ + Physical Concomitants \_\_\_\_\_ =

Percentile \_\_\_\_\_

Severity \_\_\_\_\_

**TABLE 2**  
**Percentile and Severity Equivalents of**  
**SSI-3 Total Overall Scores for Preschool Children (N = 72)**

Total Overall Score	Percentile	Severity
0- 8	1- 4	Very Mild
9-10	5-11	
11-12	12-23	Mild
13-16	24-40	
17-23	41-60	Moderate
24-26	61-77	
27-28	78-88	Severe
29-31	89-95	
32 and up	96-99	Very Severe

**TABLE 3**  
**Percentile and Severity Equivalents of SSI-3**  
**Total Overall Scores for School-Age Children (N = 139)**

Total Overall Score	Percentile	Severity
6- 8	1- 4	Very Mild
9-10	5-11	
11-15	12-23	Mild
16-20	24-40	
21-23	41-60	Moderate
24-27	61-77	
28-31	78-88	Severe
32-35	89-95	
36 and up	96-99	Very Severe

**TABLE 4**  
**Percentile and Severity Equivalents of**  
**SSI-3 Total Overall Scores for Adults (N = 60)**

Total Overall Score	Percentile	Severity
10-12	1- 4	Very Mild
13-17	5-11	
18-20	12-23	Mild
21-24	24-40	
25-27	41-60	Moderate
28-31	61-77	
32-34	78-88	Severe
35-36	89-95	
37-46	96-99	Very Severe