

ABAS-2: Adaptive Behavior Assessment System – Second Edition Full Profile Review

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Age Range

0-3 years, 3-7 years

Age Range Information

0 to 89 years

SEL Skills targeted

Relationship skills

Scales and Subscales

It measures adaptive behaviour and daily living skills in several contexts (home, school, work), according to three areas of competence: Conceptual, Social and Practical.

The Social scale includes two subscales:

Play/Leisure time

Socialization

Sources of information

Parent, Teacher

Formats for administration

Questionnaire

Administration

15–20 minutes

Scoring

Manual

Psychometric Properties

The reliability of the test adaptive areas was calculated with Cronbach's alpha. The reliability of Composite Scores was calculated using Mosier's formula. The average reliability was calculated with Fisher Z-transformation.

The reliability of the four age groups is given below.

Group 1 (2-5 years and 11 months, teacher rating scale): average reliability range from .87 and .94

Group 2 (1-5 years and 11 months, parent/caregiver rating scale): average reliability range from .89 and .95

Group 3 (6-18 years, teacher rating scale): average reliability range from .94 and .96

Group 4 (6-18 years, parent rating scale): average reliability range from .91 and .95

They have been calculated:

consistency between parent/caregiver and teacher evaluations

the intercorrelations between Adaptive Areas, Adaptive Domains, and GAC

Training

Licensed psychologists only

Strengths and Weaknesses

Strengths: ABAS-II is particularly useful in evaluating individuals with pervasive developmental disorders, intellectual disability, neuropsychological problems, dementias, learning disabilities, biological risk factors, and sensory or physical impairments.

It can be used for the diagnosis and classification of disorders and disabilities, including Autism Spectrum Disorders, Specific Learning Disorders, and Asperger's Syndrome.

An updated version of ABAS is available:

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