

# **SSBS-2:** School Social Behavior Scales Full Profile Review

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## **Name of the measure**

SSBS-2: School Social Behavior Scales

## **Author(s) / Publisher(s)**

- English original (US): <https://products.brookespublishing.com/School-Social-Behavior-Scales-Use-rs-Guide-Second-Edition-P404.aspx>

Author: K. M. Merrell.

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- Portuguese translation (PT)

Author: R. Raimundo, E. Carapito, A. I. Pereira, A. Marques Pinto, M. L. Lima, & M. T. Ribeiro.

- Turkish translation (TR)

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## **Age Range**

3-7 years

## **Age Range Information**

5 to 18 years

## **SEL Skills targeted**

Relationship skills, Self-management, Behaviour problems

## **Scales and Subscales**

Social Competence Scale (A) with a total of 32 items

Subscales:

Peer Relations – 14 items

Self-Management/Compliance – 10 items

Academic Behaviour – 8 items

Antisocial Behaviour Scale (B) with a total of 32 items

Subscales:

Hostile/Irritable – 14 items

Antisocial/Aggressive – 10 items

Defiant/Disruptive – 8 items

## **Sources of information**

Teacher

## **Formats for administration**

Questionnaire

### Administration

8-10 minutes

Individual

### Scoring

Manual

### Psychometric Properties

Original version: internal consistency for overall scales (0.98) and for subscales (ranged from 0.94 to 0.96)

Portuguese adaptation: Social Competence Scale internal consistency = .94

Turkish adaptation: internal consistency .91 to .98

### Training

The assessment can be applied by teachers. However, the measure should be scored and interpreted by a psychologist, social worker, counselor or SLP.

### Strengths and Weaknesses

Strengths: The cost, time and training are lower, as it is a behaviour rating scale.

### Other Relevant Information

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