

## THE "COMMON-LANGUAGE" CHILD Q-SET

### ITEM

1. He shows his thoughts and feelings in the way he looks and acts, but he does not talk much about what he thinks and about how he feels.
2. He is considerate and thoughtful of other people.
3. He is a warm person and responds with kindness to other people.
4. He gets along well with other people.
5. Other kids look up to him and seek him out.
6. He is helpful and cooperates with other people.
7. He likes physical affection. (for example, he likes to hug; he likes to be held)
8. He likes to keep his thoughts and feelings to himself.
9. He makes good and close friendships with other people.
10. His friendships don't last long; he changes friends a lot.
11. He tries to blame other people for things he has done.
12. He starts to act immature when he faces difficult problems or when he is under stress. (for example, he whines, or has tantrums)
13. He tries to see what and how much he can get away with. He usually pushes limits and tries to stretch the rules.
14. He tries hard to please other people.

15. He shows concern about what's right and what's wrong. (for example, he tries to be fair)
16. He is proud of the things he's done and made.
17. He acts very masculine.
18. He lets other kids know it when he's upset or angry. He doesn't hold back his feelings when he feels upset or angry with them.
19. He is open and straightforward.
20. He tries to take advantage of other people.
21. He tries to be the center of attention. (for example, by showing off, or by offering to do things.
22. He tries to get others to do what he wants by playing up to them. He acts charming in order to get his way.
23. He is nervous and fearful.
24. He worries about things for a long time.
25. He thinks things out and you can explain things to him like you can to a grown-up.
26. He is physically active. He enjoys running, playing, and exercise.
27. He looks different from other kids his own age. (for example, he is much taller or shorter, under - or overweight, or physically handicapped).  
  
If he doesn't look different, put this card in the middle pile.
28. He is energetic and full of life.
29. He is protective of others. He protects people who are close to him.

30. Most adults seem to like him.
31. He is able to see how others feel; he can put himself in their place.
32. He gives, lends, and shares things.
33. He cries easily.
34. He is restless and fidgety; he has a hard time sitting still.
35. He holds things in. He has a hard time expressing himself; he's a little bit uptight.
36. He finds ways to make things happen and get things done.
37. He likes to compete; he's always testing and comparing himself to other people.
38. He has an unusual way of thinking about things - for better or for worse, he puts things together in his head in a different way than other people would.
39. He freezes up when things are stressful, or else he keeps doing the same thing over and over.
40. He is curious and exploring; he likes to learn and experience new things.
41. He is determined in what he does; he does not give up easily.
42. He is an interesting child; people notice him and remember him.
43. He can bounce back or recover after a stressful or bad experience.
44. He gives in or backs down when he has a conflict or a disagreement with others.
45. When he is under stress, he gives up and backs off.

46. He tends to go to pieces under stress; he gets rattled when things are tough.
47. He has high standards for himself. He needs to do very well in the things he does.
48. He needs to have people tell him that he's doing well or ok. He is not very sure of himself.
49. He has specific habits or patterns of behavior. (for example, he taps his fingers on table, bites fingernails, stutters, bites lips)

If he doesn't do any of this, put the card in the middle pile.

50. He tends to get sick when things go wrong or when there is a lot of stress. (for example, he gets headaches, stomach aches, throws up)

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51. He is well-coordinated. (for example, he does well in sports)
52. He is careful not to get hurt (physically).
53. He has a hard time making up his mind; he changes his mind a lot.
54. His moods are unpredictable • they change often and quickly.
55. He worries about not getting his share of toys, food, or love. He seems afraid he won't get enough.
56. He is jealous and envious; he wants what other people have.
57. He exaggerates about things that happen to him; he blows things out of proportion.

58. He openly shows the way he feels, whether it's good or bad. He shows his emotions openly.
59. He is neat and orderly in the way he dresses and acts.
60. He gets nervous if he's not sure what's going to happen or when it's not clear what he's supposed to do.
61. He judges other people; he has very strong opinions about the things other people do.
62. He is obedient and does what he is told.
63. He is fast-paced; he moves and reacts to things quickly.
64. He is calm and relaxed, easy-going.
65. When he wants something, he wants it right away. He has a hard time waiting for things he wants and likes.
66. He pays attention well and can concentrate on things.
67. He plans things ahead; he thinks before he does something. He "looks before he leaps."
68. He is a very smart kid (even though his grades in school might not show this).
69. He has a way with words; he can express himself well with words.
70. He daydreams; he often gets lost in thought or a fantasy world.
71. He often asks grown-ups for help and advice.
72. He often feels guilty; he is quick to blame himself, even though he might not talk about it.

73. He has a sense of humor - he likes to laugh at funny things.
74. He usually gets wrapped up in what he's doing.
75. He is cheerful.
76. He can be trusted; he's realiable, and dependable.
77. He feels unworthy; he has a low opinion of himself.
70. His feelings get hurt easily if he is made fun of or criticized.
79. He is suspicious - he doesn't really trust other people.
80. He teases and picks on other kids (including his own brothers and sisters).
81. He can talk about unpleasant things that have happened to him. (for example, he can talk about things when they go wrong, or when he's upset about something)
82. He speaks up and sticks up for himself; he goes after what he wants.
83. He tries to be independent and do things without the help of other people. He tries not to rely on other people.
84. He is a talkative child; he talks a lot.
85. He is aggressive. (for example, he picks fights or starts arguments)
86. He likes to be by himself; he enjoys doing things alone.
87. He tries to copy and act like the people he admires and looks up to.
88. He is self-confident and sure of himself; he makes up his own mind on his own.

89. He's able to do many things well; he skillful.
90. He is stubborn.
91. His emotions don't seem to fit the situation. (for example, he either over-reacts, doesn't seem to care, or sometimes his reactions just don't make sense)
92. He is attractive, good-looking.
93. He's bossy and likes to dominate other people.
94. He whines or pouts often.
95. He lets little problems get to him and he is easily upset. It doesn't take much to get him irritated or mad.
96. He is creative in the way he looks at things; the way he thinks, works or plays is very creative.
97. He likes to dream up fantasies; he has a good imagination.
98. He is shy; he has a hard time getting to know people.
99. He thinks about his actions and behavior; he uses his head before doing or saying something.
- 100 Other kids often pick on him; he's also often blamed for things he didn't do.