Evidence Based Practice Unit

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Scoring Guideline

Me and My Feelings - 16 items

Scoring

Responses for this scale are scored as follows:

Never = 0

Sometimes = 1

Always = 2

Except: The score of Item 15 ("I am calm") should be reversed, as follows:

Never = 2

Sometimes = 1

Always = 0

	Never	Sometimes	Always
I feel lonely	0	1	2
I cry a lot	0	1	2
I am unhappy	0	1	2
Nobody likes me	0	1	2
I worry a lot	0	1	2
I have problems sleeping	0	1	2
I wake up in the night	0	1	2
I am shy	0	1	2
I feel scared	0	1	2
I worry when I am at school	0	1	2
I get very angry	0	1	2
I lose my temper	0	1	2
I hit out when I am angry	0	1	2
I do things to hurt people	0	1	2
I am calm (REVERSE SCORED)	2	1	0
I break things on purpose	0	1	2

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Subscales

The first 10 items comprise the <u>Emotional Difficulties</u> subscale. Items 11-16 comprise the <u>Behavioural Difficulties</u> subscale. To calculate the subscale scores, add the items belonging to each subscale, *e.g.* add items 1 to 10 to calculate the Emotional Difficulties subscale score.

	SUBSCALE	
I feel lonely	Emotional Difficulties	
I cry a lot	Emotional Difficulties	
I am unhappy	Emotional Difficulties	
Nobody likes me	Emotional Difficulties	
I worry a lot	Emotional Difficulties	
I have problems sleeping	Emotional Difficulties	
I wake up in the night	Emotional Difficulties	
I am shy	Emotional Difficulties	
I feel scared	Emotional Difficulties	
I worry when I am at school	Emotional Difficulties	
I get very angry	Behavioural Difficulties	
I lose my temper	Behavioural Difficulties	
I hit out when I am angry	Behavioural Difficulties	
I do things to hurt people	Behavioural Difficulties	
I am calm (REVERSE SCORED)	Behavioural Difficulties	
I break things on purpose	Behavioural Difficulties	

Score categorisation (cut-offs)

<u>Deighton et al. (2013)</u> established cut-offs using the Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ), as follows:

Emotional Difficulties Subscale

- Scores of 10 and 11 indicate borderline difficulties
- Scores of 12 and above indicate clinically significant difficulties

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Behavioural Difficulties Subscale

- Scores of 6 indicate borderline difficulties
- Scores of 7 and above indicate clinically significant difficulties

In the Wellbeing Measurement for Schools the cut-offs were established as follows:

Emotional Difficulties Subscale

- Scores between 0 and 9 are considered expected
- Scores equal or above 10 are considered elevated

Behavioural Difficulties Subscale

- Scores between 0 and 5 are considered expected
- Scores equal or above 6 are considered elevated