

Initial Pediatric Headache Questionnaire

Patient name _____

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Handedness: R L Uses Both

Person filling out the questionnaire / relationship to patient: _____

Please have your child answer the following questions regarding their headaches:

Headache History

When did the headaches first start? _____ Since starting, have they changed? ___ Yes ___ No

What was the initial cause? _____ Unknown _____

Do you have more than one type of headache? YES NO (If yes, answer questions for *worst* headache type, then describe your second / other type(s) on last page)

Onset

When does the headache start?

Upon waking up Morning Afternoon Evening Middle of the night Onset varies

Does the headache wake you up in the middle of the night? Yes No

If yes, how frequently? <1 per month 1-3 per month 1 per week 2-3 per week

3-6 per week Nightly

Does the headache usually start abruptly or build slowly? _____

Frequency

How often do you have a severe/debilitating (You have to lay down) headache?

Day _____ Week _____ Month _____

How often do you have a mild/moderate headache? Day _____ Week _____ Month _____

How long has it been this frequent? _____

Does the child have headaches on weekends / holidays? YES NO

In the last 90 days, the headaches are (check all that apply):

More frequent Less frequent More severe Less severe
 More continuous Less continuous More predictable Less predictable
 Last longer Do not last as long Different in quality

Duration

How long does the shortest headache last? (Provide number) ___minutes ___hours ___days

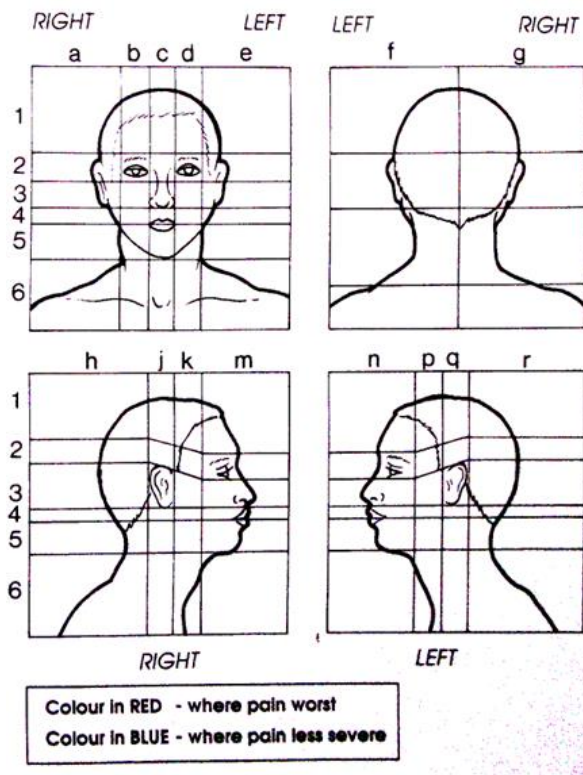
How long does the longest headache last? (Provide number) ___minutes ___hours ___days

How long does the average headache last? (provide number) ___minutes ___hours ___days

Location

Where is your headache pain? (Check all that apply):

- Forehead: R L Both Left side of head Right side of head Both sides of head
 Back of head Neck Around eyes: R L Both Behind eyes All over Top of head



Character

What does the pain feel like?

- Throbbing Pounding Squeezing Stabbing Pinching Pressure Burning
 Sharp Dull/Aching Numbness Shooting Other: _____

Severity

On a scale of 0 to 10, what is the severity of your headache? (0 = no pain; 10 = worst pain imaginable)

Your pain right now: _____ Your pain at its best: _____

Your typical headache: _____ Your headache at its worst: _____

Have you ever been to an emergency room because of your headache? YES NO

If yes, how many times in the past year? _____ In the past month? _____

Have you ever stayed overnight in a hospital because of your headache? YES NO

Have you missed school due to the headache? Yes No

If yes, how many times in the past year? _____

Triggers

What brings on your headache? (Check all that apply):

- Skipping meals Hunger Dehydration Chocolate Caffeine Lunch meat
 Other food: _____ Food sensitivities/allergies Coughing Talking
 Chewing/ Clenching teeth Exercise Other physical exertion: _____
 Menstrual cycle Oral contraceptives Stress at school Stress at home
 Other stress: _____ Allergies Weather changes Heat Altitude Sunlight
 Smells/Perfumes Light Noise Riding in the car Sinus problems Reading
 Sleeping too little/fatigue Sleeping too much Medications: _____
 Other: _____

Premonitory Symptoms (Symptoms that start before the headache) (Check all that apply)

- Blurred vision Double vision Loss of vision on one side Total blindness
- Tunnel vision Seeing spots, lines, shapes Other vision changes: _____
- Numbness Weakness Paleness Dizziness Fatigue/tiredness Hyperactivity
- Increased appetite Decreased appetite Mood swings/irritability Nasal congestion
- Other symptom: _____

Associated Symptoms

What symptoms do you have **with** your headache? (Check all that apply)

- Nausea Vomiting Sensitivity to light Sensitivity to sound Sensitivity to smells
- Dizziness/lightheadedness Teary eyes Runny nose/nasal congestion
- Decreased appetite Stomach pain Ringing in your ears/hearing abnormalities Sweating
- Changes in vision Double vision Confusion Irritability Tiredness Swelling
- Anxiety Numbness/tingling; location: _____ Balance problems Speech problems
- Unusual sensations One-sided weakness; side: _____ General weakness Unconscious
- Loss of strength to limbs Tightness in neck/back Pain in neck/back Bladder problems
- Bowel problems Memory problems Attention/Concentration problems Chest pain
- Unusual smell/taste Jaw pain/Dental pain Cold hands or feet Loss of sensation to limbs/face Fever

Aggravating Factors

What makes your headache worse?

- Physical activity Standing up Laying down Straining (laughing/coughing/ sneezing)
- Sitting Bending Lifting Reaching Reaching overhead Stress Lack of sleep

Relieving Factors

What makes your headache better? (Check all that apply)

- Laying down Dark, quiet room Hot compress Cold compress/Ice
- Sleep Physical activity/exercise Standing Walking Stretching Massage
- TENS Compression Traction Biofeedback Vomiting
- Medication: _____ Other: _____

Habits

DIET:

Do you skip meals? Breakfast Lunch Dinner None

How much do you drink per day?

- Water _____ times per day; _____ Total oz. Juice _____ times per day; _____ Total oz.
- Coffee _____ times per day; _____ Total oz. _____ Caffeinated _____ Decaf
- Soda _____ times per day; _____ Total oz. _____ Caffeinated _____ Decaf
- Sports drinks _____ times per day; _____ Total oz. Milk _____ times per day; _____ Total oz.
- Energy drinks _____ times per day; _____ Total oz. Other: _____

OTHER:

Does your child smoke? Yes No If yes, how often? _____ times per week

Use recreational drugs? Yes No If yes, how often? _____ times per week

Use alcohol? Yes No If yes, how often? _____ times per week

SLEEP:

When do you go to bed on weekdays? _____ PM/AM

When do you go to bed on the weekend? _____ PM/AM

When do you wake up on weekdays? _____ AM/PM

When do you wake up on weekends? _____ AM/PM

Average # hours of sleep per night: _____

Do you:

Take a daytime nap? YES NO

Have trouble falling asleep? YES NO

Have trouble staying asleep? YES NO

Times per night your child wakes up: _____

Snore? YES NO

Grind your teeth? YES NO

Stop breathing? YES NO

Talk in your sleep? YES NO

Sleep walk? YES NO

Have restless sleep? YES NO

Have nightmares? YES NO

Cry out while sleeping or awaken screaming? YES NO

Wet the bed? YES NO Frequency: _____ times per week

Wake feeling well-rested? YES NO

Wake up unusually early in the morning? YES NO

Wake up with a headache? YES NO

Do you use any of the following before bedtime?

TV Music Read Talk on phone/text Computer/tablet/smart phone Video games

Do you use any of the above while in bed? Explain: _____

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY:

Do you exercise? YES NO Type of exercise: _____ Frequency: _____

Do you play any sports? YES NO Sport: _____ Frequency: _____

Current Medical/Social History

Have you had any of the following in the past year?

- Memory problems Changes in vision Problem with coordination Problem with balance
- Dizziness upon standing Fainting Change in weight? _____ pounds lost/gained (circle one)
- Behavior problems Personality changes Feeling sad or depressed Crying easily
- Acting more irritable than usual Eating poorly Overeating Parental separation/divorce
- Job change Move Diagnosis of chronic or major illness Death of family member/loved one
- Close relative with diagnosis of chronic or major illness Conflict with family member/friend
- Difficulty in school Motion/car sickness Head injury Jaw pain/Dental pain
- Anxiety/panic Attacks Epilepsy / Seizures: Describe: _____
- Sinus infections/Sinus pain Neck injury Meningitis Brain tumors/infections Eye Problems
- Fainting Other recent stressors: _____
- Currently working? Yes No Job satisfaction? Excellent Good Fair Poor

Family History

Does anyone in your family have/had the following? (Parents, Grandparents, siblings, Aunts, Uncles)

- Migraines? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Headaches? (Even in childhood) YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Motion sickness? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Dizziness/fainting? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Anxiety? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Depression? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Bad mood swings? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Psychiatric hospitalizations? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Use of street drugs? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Epilepsy? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Early heart disease? (Under 45) YES NO If yes, who? _____

- Early strokes? (Under 45) YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Fainting? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Repeated stomach pains? YES NO If yes, who? _____
- Any nervous diseases? YES NO If yes, who? _____

Diagnostic Evaluation

When was your last eye exam? _____ (Please provide date)

What workup has been done previously?

- CT scan: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- MRI scan: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- Plain X-ray Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- Dental exam: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- Spinal tap: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- Allergy testing: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- Blood tests: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____
- EMG/Nerve conduction: Date _____ Results? _____ Where? _____

Treatment

What medications are you **currently taking to prevent** headaches?

Name: _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No
 _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

What medications are **you currently taking** at the time of a headache to relieve/stop it?

Name: _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No
 _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

What medications have you used **in the past to prevent** headaches?

Name: _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

_____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

What medications have you used **in the past to** relieve/stop the headaches?

Name: _____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

_____ Dose: _____ Helpful? Yes No

How often do you take any medication for your headache, including over-the-counter medications?

<5 days/month 6-10 days/month 11-15 days/month >15 days/month

What vitamins, herbal medications, or other supplements have you used for your headaches?

List any **medication allergies** your child has: _____

Is he/she allergic to Latex? ____ Yes ____ No

What alternative therapies have you tried for your headaches?

Massage: _____ times per week

Chiropractor: _____ times per week

Biofeedback: _____ times per week

Physical/occupational therapy: _____ times per week

Relaxation/Stress management: _____ times per week

Ayurvedic medicine

Naturopathy

Aromatherapy

Other: _____

Second Headache Type

If you have more than one type of headache, please describe that headache on the back of this page.

Please indicate any additional information you feel would be helpful in treating your child:

To be filled out by the doctor only:

Total Score	Depression Severity
1-4	Minimal depression
5-9	Mild depression
10-14	Moderate depression
15-19	Moderately severe depression
20-27	Severe depression

PedMIDAS

Headache Disability

The following questions try to assess how much the headaches are affecting day-to-day activity. Your answers should be based on the last three months. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers so please put down your best guess.

1. How many full school days or school were missed in the last 3 months due to headaches? _____
2. How many partial days of school were missed in the last 3 months due to headaches (do not include full days counted in the first question)? _____
3. How many days in the last 3 months did you function at less than half your ability in school because of a headache (do not include days counted in the first two questions)? _____
4. How many days were you not able to do things at home (i.e., chores, homework, etc.) due to a headache? _____
5. How many days did you not participate in other activities due to headaches i.e., play, go out, sports, etc.)? _____
6. How many days did you participate in these activities, but functioned at less than half your ability (do not include days counted in the 5th question)? _____

Total PedMIDAS Score _____

Generalized Anxiety Disorder 7-item (GAD-7) scale

Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?	Not at all sure	Several days	Over half the days	Nearly every day
1. Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge	0	1	2	3
2. Not being able to stop or control worrying	0	1	2	3
3. Worrying too much about different things	0	1	2	3
4. Trouble relaxing	0	1	2	3
5. Being so restless that it's hard to sit still	0	1	2	3
6. Becoming easily annoyed or irritable	0	1	2	3
7. Feeling afraid as if something awful might happen	0	1	2	3
<i>Add the score for each column</i>	+	+	+	
Total Score (add your column scores) =				

If you checked off any problems, how difficult have these made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people?

Not difficult at all _____
Somewhat difficult _____
Very difficult _____
Extremely difficult _____

Source: Spitzer RL, Kroenke K, Williams JBW, Lowe B. A brief measure for assessing generalized anxiety disorder. *Arch Intern Med.* 2006;166:1092-1097.

PATIENT HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE (PHQ-9)

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems?
(use "✓" to indicate your answer)

	Not at all	Several days	More than half the days	Nearly every day
1. Little interest or pleasure in doing things	0	1	2	3
2. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless	0	1	2	3
3. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much	0	1	2	3
4. Feeling tired or having little energy	0	1	2	3
5. Poor appetite or overeating	0	1	2	3
6. Feeling bad about yourself—or that you are a failure or have let yourself or your family down	0	1	2	3
7. Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the newspaper or watching television	0	1	2	3
8. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed. Or the opposite—being so fidgety or restless that you have been moving around a lot more than usual	0	1	2	3
9. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or of hurting yourself	0	1	2	3

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(Healthcare professional: For interpretation of TOTAL, please refer to accompanying scoring card). TOTAL:

10. If you checked off any problems, how difficult have these problems made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people?	Not difficult at all	_____
	Somewhat difficult	_____
	Very difficult	_____
	Extremely difficult	_____