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# Autism Spectrum Quotient 10 items – Children

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|  |  | **1****Definitely Agree** | **2****Slightly Agree** | **3****Slightly Disagree** | **4****Definitely Disagree** |
| 1 | S/he often notices small sounds when others do not |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | S/he usually concentrates more on the whole picture, rather than the small details |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | In a social group, s/he can easily keep track of several different people’s conversations |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | S/he finds it easy to go back and forth between different activities |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | S/he doesn’t know how to keep a conversation going with his/her peers |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | S/he is good at social chit-chat |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | When s/he is read a story, s/he finds it difficult to work out the character’s intentions or feelings |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | When s/he was in preschool, s/he used to enjoy playing games involving pretending with other children |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | S/he finds it easy to work out what someone is thinking or feeling just by looking at their face |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | S/he finds it hard to make new friends |  |  |  |  |

## Scoring - Children AQ-10:

* For questions 1, 5, 7 and 10, award one point if the response was ‘Slightly Agree’ or ‘Definitely Agree’.
* For questions 2, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 9, award one point if the response was ‘Slightly Disagree’ or ‘Definitely Disagree’.