



Parent Guide

What is Screening and Why is it Important?

From birth to age 5, a child's brain develops faster than at any other time in life. Screening is a quick check to make sure your child is developing on-schedule. Screening results show your child's strengths and areas that may need support.

What is ASQ:SE-2?

Ages & Stages Questionnaires[®]: Social-Emotional, Second Edition (ASQ[®]:SE-2) is a parent-completed screening tool.

- ASQ:SE-2 provides a quick check of your child's social-emotional development.
- Your answers show your child's social-emotional strengths and also identify behaviors that you may have questions or concerns about.
- There are many resources—including online resources—that your provider can point you to if you do have questions or concerns about any of your child's behaviors.

Important Points Before You Get Started

- ✓ Talk to your provider about any questions or concerns you have.
- ✓ Answer ASQ:SE-2 questions based on what you know about your child's behavior.
- ✓ Answer questions based on your child's usual behavior, not behavior when your child is sick, very tired, or hungry.
- ✓ Only caregivers who know the child well and spend more than 15–20 hours a week with the child may complete ASQ:SE-2.
- ✓ You may skip questions that are not well matched with your parenting practices.



How to Complete ASQ:SE-2

- 1. Read each question carefully and check the box that best describes your child's behavior.** ✓
 - **OFTEN OR ALWAYS**—Your child does this frequently or always does it.
 - **SOMETIMES**—Your child does this occasionally but not consistently.
 - **RARELY OR NEVER**—Your child rarely or never does this.
- 2. Check the circle if the behavior is a concern for you.** ✓
- 3. Complete the Overall questions:**
 - Read each question and check **YES** or **NO**.
 - Please share any additional comments, concerns, or observations you may have about your child.