

Similarities and Differences Between



The ASQ®-3 and ASQ®:SE-2 tools help parents and professionals to build a picture of children's development and abilities. While these tools share some common features, they also have unique differences that are important to know!

Similarities

- **Parent-completed**
- **Used in a variety of settings** (early learning, pediatrics, public health)
- **Multiple completion options** (print, online, with or without support)
- **Flexibility** supports use with most families
- Written at **4th–6th grade reading levels**
- **Screening process** opens discussion with parents about child's development
- **Monitoring zone** points to areas that would benefit from practice or support
- **Referral area** indicates need for in-depth assessment (and possible services)
- **Overall section** captures parent concerns, qualitative details about child's skills/behavior
- **Follow-up** includes parent concerns
- Extensively researched with evidence of **high reliability and validity**

Unique features of



- Screens **5 developmental areas**
- **21 questionnaire intervals** screen from **1–66 months**
- **Number of scored questions consistent** across questionnaire intervals
- Questions address **competence skills**
- Question response options: **Yes, Sometimes, Not Yet**
- Scoring of question responses is **consistent**
- Before answering, **questions must be tried** with child or observed
- Answers based on **observation of child's skills**
- Results of multiple questionnaires (parent, teacher, other caregiver) **can be combined** for scoring
- Scores **below cutoff** in any area indicate need for **follow-up**

Unique features of



- Screens **1 developmental area**
- **9 questionnaire intervals** screen from **1–72 months**
- **Number of scored questions varies** across questionnaire intervals
- Questions mix **social competence** and **challenging behaviors**
- Question response options: **Often or Always, Sometimes, Rarely or Never**
- Scoring of question responses **varies**
- Questions are answered based on **recent memory of child's behavior**
- Answers based on **observation and personal interpretation of behavior**
- Results of multiple questionnaires (parent, teacher, other caregiver) **should not be combined** for scoring
- Scores **above cutoff** indicate need for **follow-up**

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