

## Social Communication: Basic Skills 2

**Instructor:** Present this short strengths assessment as the student participates in an employment experience, school-based vocational experience, community service or volunteer activity, extracurricular activity, group work experience, etc.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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1) When other people are engaged in a conversation, can I determine whether it is appropriate to join that conversation?				
2) When I enter a conversation going on between others, is my comment related to the topic they are discussing?				
3) When entering a conversation, do I not interrupt others but instead wait my turn to speak?				
4) Am I successful when trying to start up a conversation with other people?				
5) When starting a new conversation, do I choose a topic that is of interest to others and not just a topic I personally like to talk about?				
6) During conversations, can I change what I am talking about when the topic of the conversation is changed?				
7) When someone approaches me and is friendly, do I show them I am pleased that they approached me?				
8) If approached by a friendly person, do I try to make good eye contact during the conversation?				

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9) During this social interaction, can I stay focused on what the other person is saying without looking around or turning away?				
10) During social interactions, do I keep a pleasant expression on my face during the conversation?				
11) When having a social exchange with someone, can I have a back and forth kind of conversation with each of us participating?				
12) Sometimes conversations may be about something I am not very interested in. Can I participate in a conversation when it isn't about one of my favorite topics?				
13) Can I determine when a conversation with someone is finished?				
14) If I participate in a group discussion with others and need to leave the conversation, do I let them know I need to leave?				
15) When socializing with someone, can I politely let them know when I need to stop the conversation and do something else?				