# PRAGMATIC LANGUAGE CHECKLIST

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## Rating Scale

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### Nonverbal Communication Skills

1. Uses appropriate eye contact.
2. Understands other's use of body language. Uses appropriate body language.
3. Understands and uses appropriate physical space boundaries.
4. Understands changes in tone of voice.
5. Understands changes in facial expressions.

### General Conversation Skills

6. Interrupts appropriately.
7. Gives effective directions to others.
8. Gives sufficient information for listener comprehension.
9. Revises messages when listener misunderstands.
10. Asks appropriately for repetition and clarification.
11. Provides relevant answers to questions.
12. Topic Maintenance:
   a. Initiates topic
   b. Joins an on-going conversation appropriately
   c. Maintains topic
   d. Shifts topic
   e. Closes topic
   f. Gets to the point

13. Basic Social Language:
   a. Greets, says good-bye
   b. Uses polite forms (i.e., please, thank you, excuse me, etc.)
   c. Uses introductions

14. Tells of wants, needs and preferences.
15. Asks appropriately for help, assistance, and permission.
16. Understands and shares feelings appropriately.
17. Shares ideas, opinions and remarks in a socially appropriate manner.
18. Identifies and uses compliments appropriately.
19. Starts and maintains friendships.
20. Gives appropriate explanations for actions.
21. Understands and uses humor appropriately.
22. Demonstrates affection appropriately.
23. Other:

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