

How to take the Childhood Asthma Control Test

STEP 1 Let your child respond to the **first four questions (1 to 4)**. If your child needs help reading or understanding the question, you may help, but let your child select the response. Complete the remaining **three questions (5 to 7)** on your own and without letting your child's response influence your answers. There are no right or wrong answers.

STEP 2 Write the number of each answer in the score box provided.

STEP 3 Add up each score box for the total.

STEP 4 Take the test to the doctor to talk about your child's total score.

Have your child complete these questions:

1. How is your asthma today?



0 Very Bad



1 Bad



2 Good



3 Very Good

SCORE

2. How much of a problem is your asthma when you run, exercise or play sports?



0 It's a **big** problem, I can't do what I want to do.



1 It's a **problem** and I don't like it.



2 It's a **little** problem but it's okay.



3 It's **not** a problem.

3. Do you cough because of your asthma?



0 Yes, **all** of the time.



1 Yes, **most** of the time.



2 Yes, **some** of the time.



3 No, **none** of the time.

4. Do you wake up during the night because of your asthma?



0 Yes, **all** of the time.



1 Yes, **most** of the time.



2 Yes, **some** of the time.



3 No, **none** of the time.

(Parent) Please complete the following questions on your own.

5. During the **last 4 weeks**, how many days did your child have any daytime asthma symptoms?

0 Everyday

1 19-24 days

2 11-18 days

3 4-10 days

4 1-3 days

5 Not at all

6. During the **last 4 weeks**, how many days did your child wheeze during the day because of asthma?

0 Everyday

1 19-24 days

2 11-18 days

3 4-10 days

4 1-3 days

5 Not at all

7. During the **last 4 weeks**, how many days did your child wake up during the night because of asthma?

0 Everyday

1 19-24 days

2 11-18 days

3 4-10 days

4 1-3 days

5 Not at all

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19 or Less

TOTAL

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STEP 1 Answer the five questions below. For each question, make sure you read all five possible answers before choosing the best one for you.

STEP 2 Add up each score box for the total.

STEP 3 Take the completed test to your healthcare provider to talk about your score.

Have your child complete these questions:

1. In the **past 4 weeks**, how much of the time did your asthma keep you from getting as much done at work, school or at home?

1

All of
the time

2

Most of
the time

3

Some of
the time

4

A little of
the time

5

None of
the time

SCORE

2. During the **past 4 weeks**, how often have you had shortness of breath?

1

More than
once a day

2

Once
a day

3

3 to 6 times
a week

4

Once or twice
a week

5

Not at all

3. During the **past 4 weeks**, how often did your asthma symptoms (wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath, chest tightness or pain) wake you up at night or earlier than usual in the morning?

1

4 or more
nights a week

2

2 or 3 nights
a week

3

Once
a week

4

Once
or twice

5

Not at all

4. During the **past 4 weeks**, how often have you used your rescue inhaler or nebulizer medication (such as albuterol)?

1

3 or more
times per day

2

1 or 2 times
per day

3

2 or 3 times
per week

4

Once a week
or less

5

Not at all

5. How would you rate your asthma control during the **past 4 weeks**?

1

Not controlled
at all

2

Poorly
controlled

3

Somewhat
controlled

4

Well
controlled

5

Completely
controlled

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TOTAL