

ROLAND MORRIS – BACK QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

When your back hurts, you may find it difficult to do some of the things you normally do. This list contains some sentences that people have used to describe themselves when they have back pain. When you read them, you may find that some stand out because they describe you **today**. As you read this list, think of yourself **today**. When you read a sentence that describes you **today**, put a circle around its number. If the sentence does not describe you, then leave the space blank and go on to the next one.

Remember, only circle the number of the sentence if you are sure that it describes you today.

1. I stay at home most of the time because of my back.
2. I change positions frequently to try to get my back comfortable.
3. I walk more slowly than usual because of my back.
4. Because of my back, I am doing any of the jobs that I usually do around the house.
5. Because of my back, I use a handrail to get upstairs.
6. Because of my back, I lay down to rest more often.
7. Because of my back, I have to hold on to something to get out of an easy chair.
8. Because of my back, I try to get other people to do things for me.
9. I get dressed more slowly than usual because of my back.
10. I only stand for short periods to time because of my back.
11. Because of my back, I try not to bend or kneel down.
12. I find it difficult to get out of a chair because of my back.
13. My back is painful almost all of the time.
14. I find it difficult to turn over in bed because of my back.
15. My appetite is not very good because of my back pain.
16. I have trouble putting on my socks or stockings because of the pain in my back.
17. I only walk short distances because of my back pain.
18. I sleep less well because of my back.
19. Because of my back pain, I get dressed with help from someone else.
20. I sit down for most of the day because of my back.
21. I avoid jobs around the house because of my back.
22. Because of my back pain, I am more irritable and bad tempered with people than usual.
23. Because of my back, I go up and down stairs more slowly than usual.
24. I stay in bed most of the time because of my back.

VISUAL ANALOG SCALE

(On a scale of 1-10)

What is the level or intensity of pain you are currently experiencing?

No pain _____ Worst Imaginable pain

To what extent does pain limit your daily activity?

No effect _____ Incapable of activity