

Modified Erickson Scale of Communication Attitudes (S-24)

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Date: _____

Name: _____

Score: _____

Directions: Mark the “true” column with a check (✓) for each statement that is true or mostly true for you, and mark the “false” column with a check (✓) for each statement which is false or not usually true for you.

	True	False
1. I usually feel that I am making a favorable impression when I talk.	_____	_____
2. I find it easy to talk with almost anyone.	_____	_____
3. I find it very easy to look at my audience while speaking to a group.	_____	_____
4. A person who is my teacher or my boss is hard to talk to.	_____	_____
5. Even the idea of giving a talk in public makes me afraid.	_____	_____
6. Some words are harder than others for me to say.	_____	_____
7. I forget all about myself shortly after I begin a speech.	_____	_____
8. I am a good mixer.	_____	_____
9. People sometimes seem uncomfortable when I am talking to them.	_____	_____
10. I dislike introducing one person to another.	_____	_____
11. I often ask questions in group discussions.	_____	_____
12. I find it easy to keep control of my voice when speaking.	_____	_____
13. I do not mind speaking before a group.	_____	_____
14. I do not talk well enough to do the kind of work I'd really like to do.	_____	_____
15. My speaking voice is rather pleasant and easy to listen to.	_____	_____
16. I am sometimes embarrassed by the way I talk.	_____	_____
17. I face most speaking situations with complete confidence.	_____	_____
18. There are few people I can talk with easily.	_____	_____
19. I talk better than I write.	_____	_____
20. I often feel nervous while talking.	_____	_____
21. I find it hard to make small talk when I meet new people.	_____	_____
22. I feel pretty confident about my speaking ability.	_____	_____
23. I wish that I could say things as clearly as others do.	_____	_____
24. Even though I knew the right answer, I have often failed to give it because I was afraid to speak out.	_____	_____

I. Answers

Score 1 point for each answer that matches this:

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| 1. False | 7. False | 13. False | 19. False |
| 2. False | 8. False | 14. True | 20. True |
| 3. False | 9. True | 15. False | 21. True |
| 4. True | 10. True | 16. True | 22. False |
| 5. True | 11. False | 17. False | 23. True |
| 6. True | 12. False | 18. True | 24. True |

II. Adult Norms

	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Range</u>
Stutterers	19.22	9-24
Nonstutterers	9.14	1-21