

**The University of New Orleans
Alabama Parenting Questionnaire (APQ)
Parent Telephone Interview**

Child's Name: _____ ID#: _____

Interviewer's Name: _____ Date: _____

Interview Number (Circle one): 1 2 3 4 5 6

Parent Responding (Circle one): Mother Father Other: _____

Instructions: *Please read the following statement to the parent.*

"I am going to read a number of statements about your family. Please tell me how often each thing occurred in the past three days. That is, since _____. If you are not sure of the exact number of times it has occurred, please try and give your best estimate."

If the parent does not give an exact number (e.g., "two or three" times) be sure to ask him/her to give an exact number (e.g., "Is it closer to two or closer to three?"). DO NOT SKIP ANY ITEM.

"How many times in the past three days, since _____, have:" *(repeat as often as necessary).*

1. You had a friendly talk with your child? _____
2. You told your child that he/she was doing a good job with something? _____
3. You threatened to punish your child but then did not actually punish him/her? _____
4. You helped with a special activity that your child was involved in, such as sports, boy/girl scouts, church youth groups, etc.? _____
5. You rewarded or gave something extra to your child for obeying you or behaving well? _____
6. Your child failed to leave a note or to let you know where he/she was going? _____
7. You played a game or did some other fun thing with your child? _____

8. Your child talked you out of punishing him/her after he/she had done something wrong?

9. You asked your child about his/her day in school?

10. Your child stayed out past the time he/she was supposed to be home?

11. You helped your child with his/her homework?

12. You gave up trying to get your child to obey you because it was too much trouble?

13. Your child did something well and you complimented him/her?

14. You asked your child what his/her plans were for the coming day?

15. You drove your child to a special activity?

16. You praised your child for behaving well?

17. Your child was out with friends you did not know?

18. You gave your child a hug or kiss when he/she did something well?

19. Your child went out without a set time to be home?

20. You had a talk with your child about his/her friends?

21. Your child was out after dark without an adult with him/her?

22. You let your child out of a punishment early, like you lifted restrictions earlier than you originally said?

23. Your child helped plan a family activity?

24. You got so busy that you forgot where your child was and what he/she was doing?

25. Your child was not punished when he/she had done something wrong?

26. You attended a PTA meeting, parent-teacher conference, or some other meeting at your child's school?

27. You told your child that you like it when he/she helps out around the house?

28. You didn't check that your child came home at the time he/she was supposed to?

29. You left the house without telling your child where you were going?

30. Your child came home from school more than an hour past the time you expected him/her?

31. You gave your child a more severe punishment than usual because you were in a bad mood?

32. How many hours in the past three days was your child at home without an adult with him/her?

“Now I’m going to ask some questions about different methods of discipline. Tell me how many times in the past three days, since _____, that you did each of the following after your child had done something wrong.”

- 33. Spanked your child with your hand _____
- 34. Ignored the misbehavior _____
- 35. Slapped your child _____
- 36. Took away privileges or money _____
- 37. Sent your child to his/her room _____
- 38. Hit your child with a belt, switch, or other object _____
- 39. Yelled or screamed at your child _____
- 40. Calmly explained to your child why his/her behavior was wrong _____
- 41. Used time out, that is made him/her sit or stand in a corner _____
- 42. Gave your child extra chores as a punishment _____

Interviewer Rating of the Accuracy of Parent’s Responses

Very Inaccurate	Somewhat Inaccurate	Neither	Somewhat Accurate	Very Accurate
1	2	3	4	5