

# The Quick Emotional Intelligence Self-Assessment\*

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Emotional intelligence (*referred to as EQ*) is your ability to **be aware of, understand and manage your emotions**. *Why is EQ important?* While intelligence (*referred to as IQ*) is important, success in life depends more on EQ. Take the assessment below to learn your EQ strengths!

Rank each statement as follows:    **0** (*Never*)    **1** (*Rarely*)    **2** (*Sometimes*)    **3** (*Often*)    **4** (*Always*)

## Emotional Awareness – Total: \_\_\_\_\_

0 1 2 3 4	My feelings are clear to me at any given moment
0 1 2 3 4	Emotions play an important part in my life
0 1 2 3 4	My moods impact the people around me
0 1 2 3 4	I find it easy to put words to my feelings
0 1 2 3 4	My moods are easily affected by external events
0 1 2 3 4	I can easily sense when I'm going to be angry
0 1 2 3 4	I readily tell others my true feelings
0 1 2 3 4	I find it easy to describe my feelings
0 1 2 3 4	Even when I'm upset, I'm aware of what's happening to me
0 1 2 3 4	I am able to stand apart from my thoughts and feelings and examine them

## Emotional Management – Total: \_\_\_\_\_

0 1 2 3 4	I accept responsibility for my reactions
0 1 2 3 4	I find it easy to make goals and stick with them
0 1 2 3 4	I am an emotionally balanced person
0 1 2 3 4	I am a very patient person
0 1 2 3 4	I can accept critical comments from others without becoming angry
0 1 2 3 4	I maintain my composure, even during stressful times
0 1 2 3 4	If an issue does not affect me directly, I don't let it bother me
0 1 2 3 4	I can restrain myself when I feel anger towards someone
0 1 2 3 4	I control urges to overindulge in things that could damage my well being
0 1 2 3 4	I direct my energy into creative work or hobbies

## Social Emotional Awareness – Total: \_\_\_\_\_

0 1 2 3 4	I consider the impact of my decisions on other people
0 1 2 3 4	I can easily tell if the people around me are becoming annoyed
0 1 2 3 4	I sense it when a person's mood changes
0 1 2 3 4	I am able to be supportive when giving bad news to others
0 1 2 3 4	I am generally able to understand the way other people feel
0 1 2 3 4	My friends can tell me intimate things about themselves
0 1 2 3 4	It genuinely bothers me to see other people suffer
0 1 2 3 4	I usually know when to speak and when to be silent
0 1 2 3 4	I care what happens to other people
0 1 2 3 4	I understand when people's plans change

**Relationship Management – Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

0 1 2 3 4	I am able to show affection
0 1 2 3 4	My relationships are safe places for me
0 1 2 3 4	I find it easy to share my deep feelings with others
0 1 2 3 4	I am good at motivating others
0 1 2 3 4	I am a fairly cheerful person
0 1 2 3 4	It is easy for me to make friends
0 1 2 3 4	People tell me I am sociable and fun
0 1 2 3 4	I like helping people
0 1 2 3 4	Others can depend on me
0 1 2 3 4	I am able to talk someone down if they are very upset



**My EQ strengths!** Mark your EQ total scores to assess your strengths and areas for improvement.

Domain	Score
Emotional Awareness	0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38 40
Emotional Management	0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38 40
Social Emotional Awareness	0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38 40
Relationship Management	0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 28 30 32 34 36 38 40
Measure your effectiveness in each domain using the following key: <b>0 – 24</b> Area for Enrichment: <b>Requires</b> attention and development <b>25 – 34</b> Effective Functioning: Consider <b>strengthening</b> <b>35 – 40</b> Enhanced Skills: Use as <b>leverage</b> to develop weaker areas	

**Using your EQ strength** – for your strongest EQ domain, give an example of how you demonstrate your strength in your daily life or work: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Effects of your EQ strength** – for your weakest EQ domain, give an example of how this affects you AND others in your daily life or work: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Improving your EQ strength** – for your weakest EQ domain, what steps can you take to strengthen yourself in this area? How will this benefit you in your daily life or work? \_\_\_\_\_

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For help in developing your EQ strengths, visit the City College Mental Health Counseling Center (Room A-221)