Columbia DISC Depression Scale (Ages 11 and over)

Present State (last 4 weeks)

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If the answer to the question is "No," circle the 0; if it is "Yes," circle the 1. Please answer the following questions as honestly as possible.

In the last four weeks	No	Yes
1. Has often seemed sad or depressed?	0	1
2. Has it seemed like nothing was fun for [him/her] and [he/she] just wasn't interested in anything?	0	1
Has [he/she] often been grouchy or irritable and often in a bad mood, when even little things would make [him/her] mad?	0	1
4. Has [he/she] lost weight, more than just a few pounds?	0	1
5. Has it seemed like lost [his/her] appetite or ate a lot less than usual?	0	1
6. Has [he/she] gained a lot of weight, more than just a few pounds?	0	1
7. Has it seemed like [he/she] felt much hungrier than usual or ate a lot more than usual?	0	1
 Has [he/she] had trouble sleeping – that is, trouble falling asleep, staying asleep, or waking up too early? 	0	1
9. Has [he/she] slept more during the day than [he/she] usually does?	0	1
10. Has seemed to do things like walking or talking much more slowly than usual?	0	1
11. Has [he/she] often seemed restless like [he/she] just had to keep walking around?	0	1
12. Has [he/she] seemed to have less energy than [he/she] usually does?	0	1
13. Has doing even little things seemed to make [him/her] feel really tired?	0	1
14. Has often blamed [himself/herself] for bad things that happened?	0	1
15. Has [he/she] said [he/she] couldn't do anything well or that [he/she] wasn't as good looking or as smart as other people?	0	1
16. Has it seemed like [he/she] couldn't think as clearly or as fast as usual?	0	1
17. Has [he/she] often seemed to have trouble keeping [his/her] mind on [his/her] [schoolwork/work] or other things?	0	1
18. Has it often seemed hard for [him/her] to make up [his/her] mind or to make decisions?	0	1
19. Has said [he/she] often thought about death or about people who had died or about being dead [himself/herself]?	0	1
20.Has [he/she] talked seriously about killing [himself/herself]?	0	1
21. Has [he/she] tried to kill [himself/herself] in the last four weeks?	0	1
22. Has [he/she] EVER, in [his/her] WHOLE LIFE, tried to kill [himself/herself] or made a suicide attempt?	0	1

Score	Chance of Depression	How often is this seen?
0-4	Very Unlikely	in 2/3 of teens
5-9	Moderately Likely	in 1/4 of teens
10–12	Likely	in 1/10 of teens
13 and Above	Highly Likely	in 1/50 of teens

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