# AIR Self-Determination Scale ${ }^{\odot}$ 

## STUDENT FORM

Student's Name $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$
School Name $\qquad$ Your Grade $\qquad$
Your Date of Birth

## HOW TO FILL OUT THIS FORM

Please answer these questions about how you go about getting what you want or need. This may occur at school, or after school, or it could be related to your friends, your family, or a job or hobby you have.

This is not
a Test.

Goal You may not be sure what some of the words in the questions mean. For example, the word goal is used a lot. A goal is something you want to get or achieve, either now or next week or in the distant future, like when you are an adult. You can have many different kinds of goals. You could have a goal that has to do with school (like getting a good grade on a test or graduating from high school). You could have a goal of saving money to buy something (a new iPod ${ }^{\circledR}$ or new sneakers), or doing better in sports (getting on the basketball team). Each person's goals are different because each person has different things that they want or need or that they are good at.

Plan Another word that is used in some of the questions is plan. A plan is the way you decide to meet your goal, or the steps you need to take in order to get what you want or need. Like goals, you can have many different kinds of plans. An example of a plan to meet the goal of getting on the basketball team would be: to get better by shooting more baskets at home after school, to play basketball with friends on the weekend, to listen to the coach when the team practices, and to watch the pros play basketball on TV.

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## HOW TO MARK YOUR ANSWERS

## EXAMPLE QUESTION:

I check for errors after completing a project.

## EXAMPLE ANSWER:

Circle the number of the answer which tells what you are most like: (Circle ONLY ONE number).

1 Never $\qquad$ student never checks for errors.

2 Almost Never $\qquad$ student almost never checks for errors.

3 Sometimes. $\qquad$ student sometimes checks for errors.

4 Almost Always $\qquad$ student almost always checks for errors.

5 Always. $\qquad$ student always checks for errors.

## REMEMBER

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## THINGS I DO

| 1. I know what I need, what I like, <br> and what I'm good at. Never |
| :--- |

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## HOW I FEEL

| 1. I feel good about what I like, <br> what I want, and what I need to <br> do. |
| :--- |

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## WHAT HAPPENS AT SCHOOL

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}

\hline 1. People at school listen to me when I talk about what I want, what I need, or what I'm good at. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2
$\square$

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 2. People at school let me know that I can set my own goals to get what I want or need. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{What Happens at School - Total Items 1 + 2} <br>

\hline 3. At school, I have learned how to make plans to meet my goals and to feel good about them. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 4. People at school encourage me to start working on my plans right away. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2
$\square$

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{What Happens at School - Total Items 3 + 4} <br>

\hline 5. I have someone at school who can tell me if I am meeting my goals. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2
$\square$

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 6. People at school understand when I have to change my plan to meet my goals. They offer advice and encourage me when I'm doing this. \& | Never |
| :--- |
| 1 $\square$ | \& Almost Never

$$
2
$$

$\square$ \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{5}{|r|}{What Happens at School - Total Items 5 + 6} \& <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

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## WHAT HAPPENS AT HOME

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}

\hline 1. People at home listen to me when I talk about what I want, what I need, or what I'm good at. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost <br>
Never <br>
2
$\square$

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost <br>
Always <br>
4

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 2. People at home let me know that I can set my own goals to get what I want or need. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4
$\square$

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{What Happens at Home - Total Items $1+2$} <br>

\hline 3. At home, I have learned how to make plans to meet my goals and to feel good about them. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never \\
1
\(\square\)
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Almost Never \\
2
\(\square\)
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Sometimes \\
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4

 \& 

Always <br>
5

\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 4. People at home encourage me to start working on my plans right away. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

\end{tabular} \& Almost Never

$$
2
$$

$\square$ \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{What Happens at Home - Total Items 3 + 4} <br>

\hline 5. I have someone at home who can tell me if I am meeting my goals. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost Always <br>
4

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 6. People at home understand when I have to change my plan to meet my goals. They offer advice and encourage me when I'm doing this. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Never <br>
1

 \& 

Almost Never <br>
2
$\square$

 \& 

Sometimes <br>
3

 \& 

Almost <br>
Always <br>
4

 \& 

Always <br>
5
$\square$
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{5}{|r|}{What Happens at Home - Total Items 5-6} \& <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

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## PLEASE WRITE YOUR ANWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS...

Give an example of a goal you are working on.
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

What are you doing to reach this goal?
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

How well are you doing in reaching this goal?
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

THANK YOU!

The AIR Self-Determination Profile Student Form

Total

$\overline{\text { What Happens at }}$ Home
$\downarrow$

Level of Self-
Determination
(Write sum in box and mark in column)
$\qquad$ Date $\qquad$

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[^1]:    There are NO right or wrong answers.

    This will not affect your child's grade. So please think about each question carefully before you circle your answer.

