## **Pragmatic Protocol<sup>1</sup>**

#### Student's Name:

Date:

Teacher's Name:

Birth Date/Age:

Language spoken at home/school:

Speech/Language Pathologist:

The pragmatic protocol is completed after observing individuals, age 5 years and older, engaged in spontaneous unstructured conversation with a communicative partner for 15 minutes. At this time, each pragmatic aspect of language on the protocol is judged as appropriate, inappropriate or not observed. Detailed instructions are attached.

# Please answer by selecting A (Appropriate), I (Inappropriate), NOO (No Opportunity to Observe)

Communicative Acts	Judgment	Examples and Comments
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#### Verbal Aspects

- A. Speech Acts
  - 1. Speech act pair analysis
  - 2. Variety of speech acts
- B. Topics
  - 3. Selection
  - 4. Introduction
  - 5. Maintenance

6. Change

### C. Turn Taking

- 7. Initiation
- 8. Response
- 9. Repair/revision
- 10. Pause time
- 11. Interruption/overlap
- 12. Feedback to speakers
- 13. Adjacency
- 14. Contingency
- 15. Quantity/conciseness
- D. Lexical selection/use across speech acts
  - 16. Specificity/accuracy

- 17. Cohesion
- E. Stylistic variations
  - 18. The varying of communicative style

#### Paralinguistic Aspect

- F. Intelligibility and prosodics
  - 19. Intelligibility
  - 20. Vocal intensity
  - 21. Vocal quality
  - 22. Prosody
  - 23. Fluency

#### **Nonverbal aspects**

- G. Kinesics and proxemics
  - 24. Physical proximity
  - 25. Physical contacts
  - 26. Body posture
  - 27. Foot/leg and hand/arm movements

28. Gestures

- 29. Facial expression
- 30. Eye gaze

<sup>1</sup>Note. See "A clinical appraisal of the pragmatic aspects of language," by C.A. Prutting and D. M. Kirchner, 1987, Journal of Speech and Hearing Disorders, 52, p, 105-119. Copyright 1987. Reprinted with permission.