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## Individual Report

Brown EF/A Scales™  
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*Thomas E. Brown, PhD*

### Examinee Information

Name	Micah Slusser
ID	
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	05/06/2008
Age at Rating	16 years 6 months
Norms Selected	Combined-Sex

### Parent Rater Information

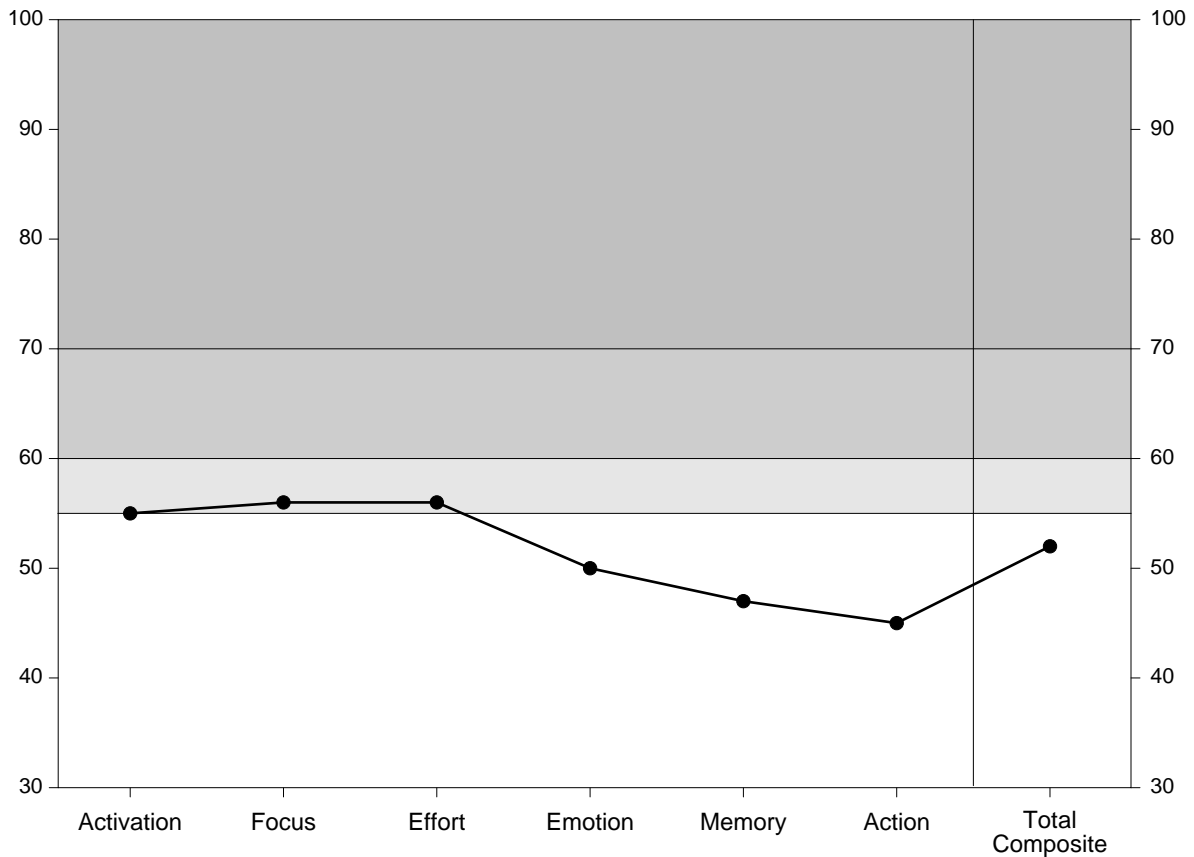
Name	Tommy Slusser
Relation to Child	Father
Date of Rating	11/27/2024

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## BROWN EF/A SCALES T-SCORE PROFILE



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## COMPARISON TABLES

### Cluster-to-Total Composite Score Comparisons

Cluster	T Score	Total Composite Score	Difference	Significant? (.05%)	Base Rate
Activation	55	52	3	No	
Focus	56	52	4	No	
Effort	56	52	4	No	
Emotion	50	52	-2	No	
Memory	47	52	-5	No	
Action	45	52	-7	Yes	<=15%

### Cluster-to-Cluster Comparisons

Clusters	T Score 1	T Score 2	Difference	Significant? (.05%)	Base Rate
Activation/Focus	55	56	-1	No	
Activation/Effort	55	56	-1	No	
Activation/Emotion	55	50	5	No	
Activation/Memory	55	47	8	No	
Activation/Action	55	45	10	Yes	<=15%
Focus/Effort	56	56	0	No	
Focus/Emotion	56	50	6	No	
Focus/Memory	56	47	9	Yes	<=10%
Focus/Action	56	45	11	Yes	<=10%
Effort/Emotion	56	50	6	No	
Effort/Memory	56	47	9	Yes	<=10%
Effort/Action	56	45	11	Yes	<=10%
Emotion/Memory	50	47	3	No	
Emotion/Action	50	45	5	No	
Memory/Action	47	45	2	No	

## ITEM RESPONSES BY CLUSTER

Cluster 1. Activation	No Problem	Little Problem	Medium Problem	Big Problem
1. Seems to have trouble getting started on tests, projects, or other assigned tasks.			•	
7. Has difficulty transitioning from one activity to another.		•		
18. Has trouble waking up, getting out of bed, and getting started in the morning.		•		
25. Has trouble getting organized and doing the most important things first without wasting time.			•	
28. Tends to be disorganized and forgets due dates for schoolwork and tests.		•		
34. Daydreams too much.		•		
40. Work is rushed, incomplete, or late.		•		
43. Waits until the last minute to do things.			•	
53. Has excessive difficulty starting tasks, like homework, studying, and projects, unless the task is interesting.	•			

Cluster 2. Focus	No Problem	Little Problem	Medium Problem	Big Problem
3. Needs to be reminded to keep working or to pay attention.			•	
8. Is easily distracted by background noises or other activities happening at the same time.		•		
17. Finds it hard to focus on one thing for a long time unless the task is interesting.			•	
32. Needs to have instructions repeated several times before understanding them.	•			
42. Seems to lose focus easily when listening to or reading something uninteresting.			•	
44. Gets stuck doing one thing and has a hard time switching to something else that is more important.			•	
46. Is difficult to understand because he or she speaks so quickly or keeps changing topics while talking.	•			
50. Tries to pay attention but seems to lose focus and misses out on important information.		•		
56. Has to read uninteresting things more than once to remember them.	•			

Cluster 3. Effort	No Problem	Little Problem	Medium Problem	Big Problem
4. Unless engaged in a favorite activity, seems sleepy or tired during the day, even after a full night of sleep.	•			
10. Needs extra time to finish routine tasks, like homework or chores.			•	
16. Gives up quickly when trying to learn something new that is difficult.		•		
21. Has trouble staying interested in routine tasks, especially when working alone.			•	
29. Seems to have trouble getting to sleep at night.		•		
35. Has trouble finishing routine tasks that aren't very interesting.		•		
39. Needs to be reminded to get started or to keep working on tasks that need to be done.			•	
45. Produces inconsistent schoolwork; sometimes it's good, sometimes it's not.		•		
52. Seems to have good ideas but has a hard time expressing them in writing.		•		
55. Soon after starting a school project or homework assignment, gets bored and doesn't want to finish it.		•		

<b>Cluster 4. Emotion</b>	<b>No Problem</b>	<b>Little Problem</b>	<b>Medium Problem</b>	<b>Big Problem</b>
6. Seems overwhelmed by everyday tasks and situations that should be manageable.		•		
12. Worries too much about things that might go wrong or what others think.		•		
19. Gets frustrated and irritable over little inconveniences.		•		
24. Gets overly sensitive and defensive when teased or criticized.	•			
27. Spends too much time on little details trying to make things perfect.		•		
33. Seems to not care very much about schoolwork.		•		
37. Seems sad or depressed.		•		
48. Gets so nervous when taking tests that he or she is unable to remember information known the day before.	•			
51. Has a hard time controlling his or her temper.		•		

<b>Cluster 5. Memory</b>	<b>No Problem</b>	<b>Little Problem</b>	<b>Medium Problem</b>	<b>Big Problem</b>
5. Has a hard time following instructions, especially when given more than one thing to do at the same time.		•		
9. Has a hard time taking notes in class while listening to what else is being said.	•			
13. Remembers some of the details in assigned reading but has trouble understanding the main points.		•		
15. Forgets to bring--or often misplaces--needed things, such as keys, wallet, purse, or homework.		•		
22. Seems to lose focus and become confused while talking.	•			
26. Forgets a lot of what was just heard in conversations.	•			
30. Leaves out or inserts letters or words that don't belong when writing.	•			
38. Has trouble memorizing things like vocabulary words, names, and dates.	•			
41. Has a hard time understanding and remembering instructions for tests or assignments.	•			
57. Plans to do things, like homework or chores, but forgets about them.		•		

<b>Cluster 6. Action</b>	<b>No Problem</b>	<b>Little Problem</b>	<b>Medium Problem</b>	<b>Big Problem</b>
2. Gets restless and fidgety when having to sit still or wait in line.		•		
11. Interrupts others who are talking to say something before he or she forgets it.	•			
14. Doesn't seem to notice when he or she is boring, confusing, or irritating others.	•			
20. Becomes restless and fidgets excessively with fingers, hair, clothing, or jewelry.		•		
23. When working on homework or projects, tends to do them too quickly and makes careless mistakes.	•			
31. Seems to do or say things without first carefully considering what might happen as a result.	•			
36. Talks a lot and does not seem to know when to stop.	•			
47. Starts doing things without waiting for permission or instructions.	•			
49. Has trouble stopping enjoyable activities, like watching TV or playing games, even when told to do so.		•		
54. Is quick to jump to conclusions and interrupts others when they are in the middle of doing or saying something.	•			

## ITEM RESPONSES AS ADMINISTERED

1. 2	2. 1	3. 2	4. 0	5. 1	6. 1	7. 1	8. 1	9. 0	10. 2
11. 0	12. 1	13. 1	14. 0	15. 1	16. 1	17. 2	18. 1	19. 1	20. 1
21. 2	22. 0	23. 0	24. 0	25. 2	26. 0	27. 1	28. 1	29. 1	30. 0
31. 0	32. 0	33. 1	34. 1	35. 1	36. 0	37. 1	38. 0	39. 2	40. 1
41. 0	42. 2	43. 2	44. 2	45. 1	46. 0	47. 0	48. 0	49. 1	50. 1
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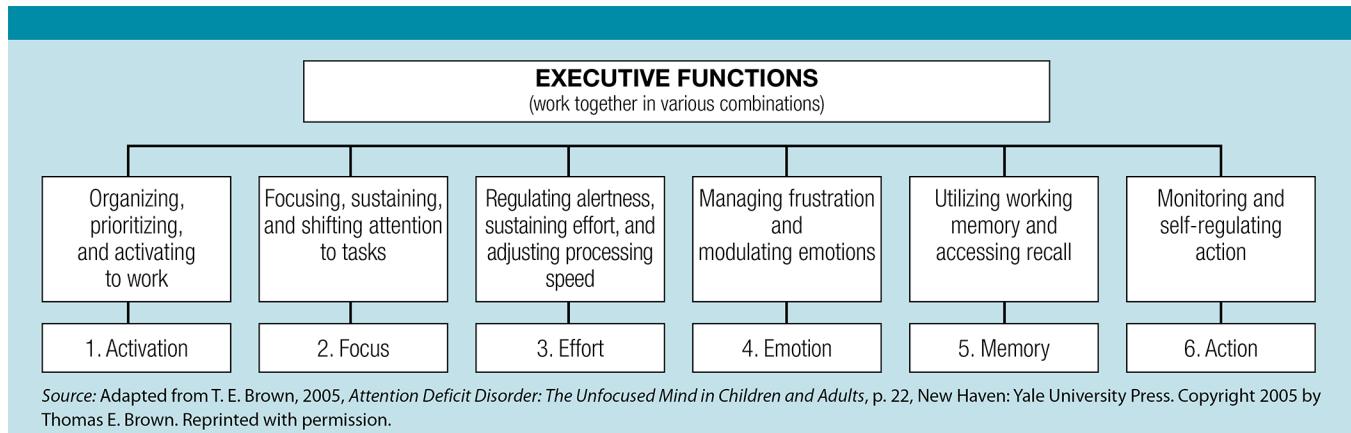
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## ABOUT THE BROWN EF/A SCALES

The Brown Executive Function/Attention Scales (Brown EF/A Scales) provide an easily understandable, standardized tool to collect information about the problems an individual demonstrates or reports with executive functions, the self-management functions that support attention in multiple tasks of daily life. Results are compared with norms to indicate how any reported problems over the past 6 months (or since the assessment was last administered) compare to other people of similar age. The diagram below shows the six clusters of executive function assessed by the Brown EF/A Scales that are often impaired in ADHD.



This report for Micah Slusser presents *T* scores derived from a parent rater using the Brown EF/A Scales Adolescent Parent Form. Normative comparisons are also available for self-report ratings. (Ratings from teachers can also be collected but normative comparisons are not available.) Individual scores indicate how much of a problem the adolescent appears to have with each of the clusters; the Total Composite score is a composite of the six cluster scores. If scores indicate significant problems, a comprehensive clinical evaluation for ADHD and other possible learning, emotional, or behavioral problems should be done by a qualified clinician. These scales can also be used to monitor progress in treatment.

### Cluster Scores

#### Cluster 1. Activation: Organizing, Prioritizing, and Activating to Work

The Activation cluster addresses difficulties individuals may have organizing tasks and materials, estimating time, prioritizing tasks, and getting started on work-like tasks (i.e., activities they have not usually chosen for pleasure). People with ADHD often have chronic difficulty with excessive procrastination. Often they will put off getting started on a task—even a task they recognize as important to them—until the very last minute. It is as though they cannot get themselves started until they perceive the task as an acute emergency or as something where delay will result in punishment. Items in this cluster involve queries about following instructions, keeping track of assigned tasks, getting motivated in the morning, daydreaming, and rushing through assigned work.

#### Cluster 2. Focus: Focusing, Sustaining, and Shifting Attention to Tasks

The Focus cluster addresses problems individuals may have in sustaining attention and focus for work-like tasks or in shifting attention when needed from one activity to another. For people with ADHD, it is often difficult to focus on a specific task and sustain their attention on that task. At times, they may be easily distracted by things going on around them or by thoughts in their own minds. At other times, they may find themselves stuck on one thing, unable to shift to another task even when directed to do so. In addition, focus on reading poses difficulties for many with ADHD, especially when what they are reading is not particularly interesting to them. They generally understand the words they are reading but have to read them over and over again in order to fully grasp and remember the meaning. Items in this cluster involve queries about losing focus, paying attention, becoming easily distracted, and getting stuck doing one thing and having a hard time transitioning to another activity.



### Cluster 3. Effort: Regulating Alertness, Sustaining Effort, and Adjusting Processing Speed

The Effort cluster addresses problems individuals may have in staying alert and sustaining sufficient effort for work-related tasks. It also addresses difficulties with processing information, completing tasks, and maintaining performance consistency. Many with ADHD can perform short-term projects well but have much more difficulty with sustained effort over longer periods of time. It may take them longer than others to process and react to what they see or hear, and they may find it difficult to complete tasks on time, especially when they need to explain themselves in writing. Many also experience chronic difficulty regulating their sleep and alertness. They often stay up too late simply because they can't stop themselves from thinking about things. Once asleep, however, they often sleep very soundly and have trouble getting up in the morning. At other times, they may become drowsy when not physically active or cognitively engaged even when they've had sufficient rest. Items in this cluster involve queries about staying interested in routine tasks long enough to finish them, giving up when things get difficult, requiring extra time to complete routine tasks, and having trouble sleeping at night or staying alert during the day.

### Cluster 4. Emotion: Managing Frustration and Modulating Emotions

The Emotion cluster addresses difficulties individuals may have with regulating emotional reactions to the extent that they take over much of what the individuals are thinking or doing. Although the *DSM-5* does not recognize any symptoms related to emotion management as an aspect of ADHD, many with the disorder describe chronic difficulties managing frustration, anger, worry, disappointment, desire, and other emotions. They find it very difficult to put their emotions into perspective and get on with what they need to do. Many speak as though these emotions, when experienced, take over their thinking the way a computer virus might infect a computer and make it impossible for them to attend to anything else. Items in this cluster involve queries about excessive irritability, sensitivity to criticism, overwhelming nervousness and worry, and unhappiness.

### Cluster 5. Memory: Utilizing Working Memory and Accessing Recall

The Memory cluster addresses problems individuals may have with forgetfulness in daily routines and recall of learned material. Very often, people with ADHD will report that they have adequate or exceptional memory for things that happened long ago but great difficulty remembering where they just put something, what someone has just said to them, or what they were about to say. They may describe having difficulty holding one or several things in mind while also attending to other tasks. In addition, many often complain that they cannot readily retrieve information they have learned from their memory when they need it. Items in this cluster involve queries about remembering instructions, following through with planned activities, keeping track of belongings, and recalling previously known information.

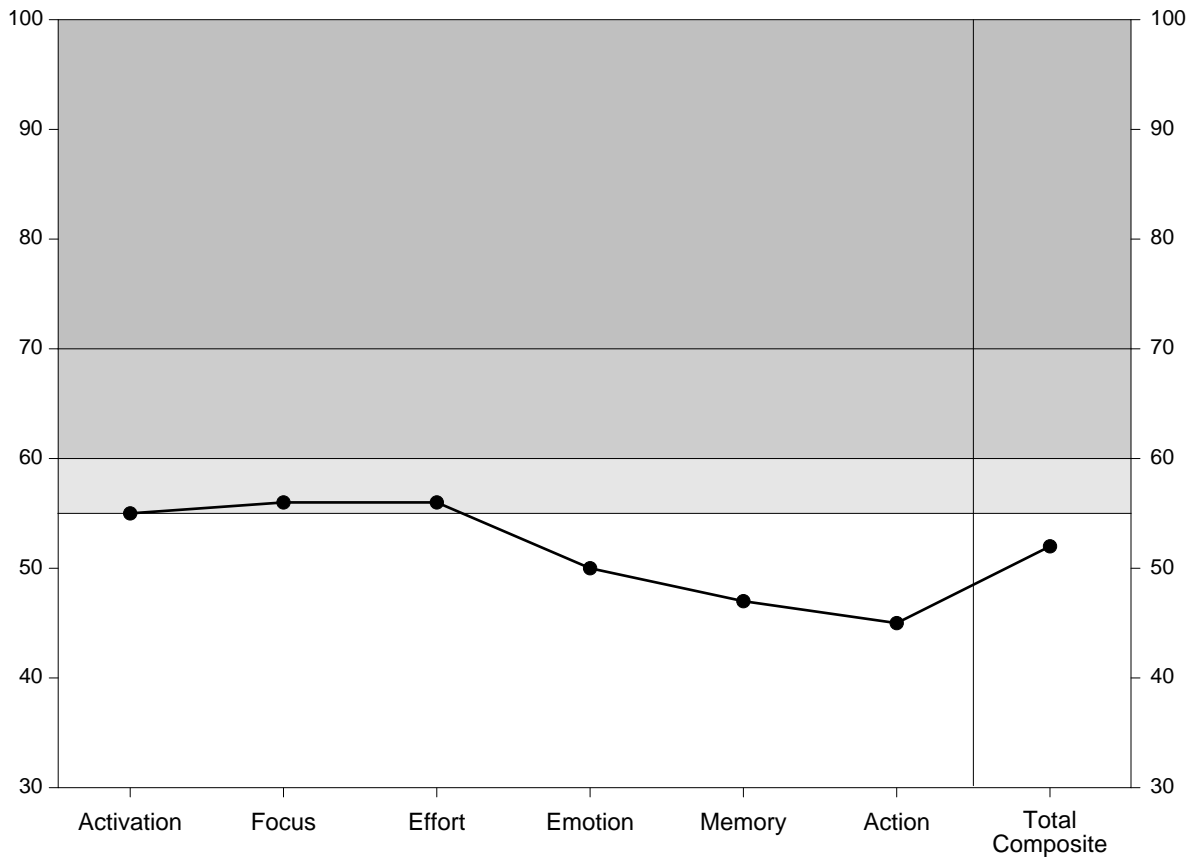
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The Action cluster addresses problems individuals may have in recognizing appropriate behavior and self-regulating their actions. Many people with ADHD, even those without problems of hyperactive behavior, report chronic problems with inhibiting their actions. They often are impulsive in what they say or do and in the way they think, at times jumping too quickly to inaccurate conclusions. Many also report problems in monitoring the context in which they are interacting. They fail to notice when other people are puzzled, hurt, or annoyed by what they have just said or done and thus fail to modify their behavior in response to specific circumstances. They also report chronic difficulty in regulating the pace of their actions to slow themselves down or speed up as needed for specific tasks. Items in this cluster involve queries about interrupting others, being excessively restless, making careless mistakes, and being disruptive to others.

## Total Composite Score

The Total Composite score is the broadest level of interpretation for the Brown EF/A Scales and represents a composite of the six cluster scores. This score provides a global measure of the child, adolescent, or adult's overall severity of executive function problems. An elevated Total Composite score indicates a pervasive self-regulatory problem in one or more of the many domains that make up executive functions. Individuals with an elevated Total Composite score often have issues with many ADHD-related symptoms and are often diagnosed with ADHD.

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Leaves out or inserts letters or words that don't belong when writing.	•			
Has trouble memorizing things like vocabulary words, names, and dates.	•			
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Plans to do things, like homework or chores, but forgets about them.		•		

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Gets restless and fidgety when having to sit still or wait in line.		•		
Interrupts others who are talking to say something before he or she forgets it.	•			
Doesn't seem to notice when he or she is boring, confusing, or irritating others.	•			
Becomes restless and fidgets excessively with fingers, hair, clothing, or jewelry.		•		
When working on homework or projects, tends to do them too quickly and makes careless mistakes.	•			
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