# **Five Facet Mindfulness Questionnaire (FFMQ)** Ruth A. Baer, Ph.D. **University of Kentucky**

2

rarely

1

never or very

Please rate each of the following statements using the scale provided. Write the number in the blank that best describes your own opinion of what is generally true for you.

3

sometimes

4

often

5 very often or

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	rarely true	true	true	true	always true		
_	1. When I'm walking, I deliberately notice the sensations of my body moving.						
_	2. I'm good at finding words to describe my feelings.						
_	3. I criticize myself for having irrational or inappropriate emotions.						
_	4. I perceive my feelings and emotions without having to react to them.						
_	5. When I do things, my mind wanders off and I'm easily distracted.						
-	6. When I take a shower or bath, I stay alert to the sensations of water on my body.						
-	7. I can easily put my beliefs, opinions, and expectations into words.						
-	8. I don't pay attention to what I'm doing because I'm daydreaming, worrying, or						
	othe	erwise distracted.					
_	9. I watch m	ıy feelings without (	getting lost in them.				
-	10. I tell myself I shouldn't be feeling the way I'm feeling.						
-	11. I notice how foods and drinks affect my thoughts, bodily sensations, and emotions.						
-	12. It's hard for me to find the words to describe what I'm thinking.						
-	13. I am easi	ly distracted.					
-	14. I believe some of my thoughts are abnormal or bad and I shouldn't think that way.						
-	15. I pay attention to sensations, such as the wind in my hair or sun on my face.						
-	16. I have tro	ouble thinking of th	e right words to exp	oress how I feel abo	out things		
_	17. I make ju	ıdgments about wh	ether my thoughts	are good or bad.			
-	18. I find it d	ifficult to stay focus	sed on what's happe	ening in the presen	t.		
-	19. When I h	ave distressing tho	ughts or images, I "s	step back" and am	aware of the		
	thought or image without getting taken over by it.						
-	20. I pay atte	ention to sounds, su	uch as clocks ticking	, birds chirping, or o	cars passing.		

21. In difficult situations, I can pause without immediately reacting.

1	2	3	4	5
never or very	rarely	sometimes	often	very often or
rarely true	true	true	true	always true

22. When I have a sensation in my body, it's difficult for me to describe it because I can't
find the right words.
23. It seems I am "running on automatic" without much awareness of what I'm doing.
24. When I have distressing thoughts or images, I feel calm soon after.
25. I tell myself that I shouldn't be thinking the way I'm thinking.
26. I notice the smells and aromas of things.
27. Even when I'm feeling terribly upset, I can find a way to put it into words.
28. I rush through activities without being really attentive to them.
29. When I have distressing thoughts or images I am able just to notice them without
reacting.
30. I think some of my emotions are bad or inappropriate and I shouldn't feel them.
31. I notice visual elements in art or nature, such as colors, shapes, textures, or patterns
of light and shadow.
32. My natural tendency is to put my experiences into words.
33. When I have distressing thoughts or images, I just notice them and let them go.
34. I do jobs or tasks automatically without being aware of what I'm doing.
35. When I have distressing thoughts or images, I judge myself as good or bad,
depending what the thought/image is about.
36. I pay attention to how my emotions affect my thoughts and behavior.
37. I can usually describe how I feel at the moment in considerable detail.
38. I find myself doing things without paying attention.
39. I disapprove of myself when I have irrational ideas.

## **FFMQ Scoring instructions**

For all items marked "R" the scoring must be reversed. Change 1 to 5, 2 to 4, 4 to 2, and 5 to 1 (3 stays unchanged). Then sum the scores for each subscale.

## Observing

1, 6, 11, 15, 20, 26, 31, 36

#### Describing

2, 7, 12R, 16R, 22R, 27, 32, 37

#### **Acting with awareness**

5R, 8R, 13R, 18R, 23R, 28R, 34R, 38R

## Nonjudging of inner experience

3R, 10R, 14R, 17R, 25R, 30R, 35R, 39R

## Nonreactivity to inner experience

4, 9, 19, 21, 24, 29, 33