

Digestion Assessment Scorecard

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Ν	lame									
Age			Height		Weight					
Based upon you	r health	n profile for	the past 30 days	, please select th	he appropriate nu	umbe	er, fr	om 'C) -	
3' on all questior	ns (0 as	least/neve	er/no and 3 as mo	st/always/yes). E	Each choice has	beer	n giv	en a		
score. Circle the	score. Circle the number/score you feel best applies, then add the scores in each column to create							9		
	The su	m of the su	btotals will create	your grand score	Э.					
	Point Scale:									
	0 = Never or almost never have the experience/effect. For all yes/no questions, 0 = no and 3 = yes					/es				
1 = Mild experie 2 = Moderate ex										
3 = Severe/chro										
Upper Gastrointestinal - low stomach acid/digestive enzymes			•		•	_				
						0	1	2	3	
			gas within one h	our after eating	?	0	1	2	3	
Do you experience heartburn or acid reflux?			0	1	2	3				
Do you experience bloating within one hour after eating?			0	1	2	3				
Do you follow a vegan diet?			0	1	2	3				
Do you have bad breath?			0	1	2	3				
Have you experienced a loss of taste for meat?			0	1	2	3				
Does your sweat have a strong odor?			0	1	2	3				
Do you experience stomach upset by taking vitamins?			0	1	2	3				
Do you feel a sense of excess fullness after meals?			0	1	2	3				
Do you ever feel like skipping breakfast?			0	1	2	3				
Do you feel better if you don't eat?			0	1	2	3				
Do you feel sleepy after meals?			0	1	2	3				
Do your fingernails chip, peel or break easily?			0	1	2	3				
Do you have anemia (low red blood cells count) that is unresponsive to iron?			0	1	2	3				
Do you experience stomach pains or cramps?			0	1	2	3				
Do you have chronic diarrhea?			0	1	2	3				
Do you experience diarrhea shortly after meals?			0	1	2	3				
Is there ever un	ndigest	ted food ir	n your stool?			0	1	2	3	

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Subtotal for Upper Gastrointestinal Symptoms – low stomach acid				
(sum of scores) Subtotal /54				
Upper Gastrointestinal - excess stomach acid			2	3
Do you ever have black or tarry colored stools?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience stomach pain, burning or aching 1-4 hours after eating?	0	1	2	3
Do you use antacids?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever feel hungry an hour to two after eating?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience heartburn from spicy foods, chocolate, citrus, peppers, alcohol, and/or caffeine?	0	1	2	3
Do you receive temporary heartburn relief from antacids, food, milk or carbonated beverages?	0	1	2	3
Do your digestive problems subside with rest and relaxation?	0	1	2	3
Subtotal for Upper Gastrointestinal Symptoms – excess stomach acid (sum of scores)				
Subtotal /21				
Liver and Gallbladder	0	1	2	3
Do you experience pain between your shoulder blades?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience stomach upset by eating greasy foods?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever have greasy or shiny stools?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience nausea?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever experience sea, car, airplane or motion sickness?	0	1	2	3
Do you have a history of morning sickness?				
0 = never 1 = years ago	0	1	2	3
2 = within last year			-	Ŭ
3 = within past 3 months				
Do you ever have light or clay colored stools?	0	1	2	3
Do you have dry skin, itchy feet, or skin peels on your feet?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever feel headaches "over your eyes"?	0	1	2	3
Have you ever had a gallbladder attack(s)?				
0 = never 1 = years ago	0	1	2	3
2 = within last year				
3 = within past 3 months				
Has your gallbladder been removed?		1		3
Do you ever experience a bitter taste in your mouth, especially after meals?			2	3
Would you become sick if you were to drink wine?		1	2	3
Would you be easily intoxicated if you were to drink wine?	0	1	2	3

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Liver and Gallbladder	0	1	2	3
Would you be easily hung over if you were to drink wine?			2	3
How many alcoholic drinks do you consume per week?				
0 = <3			~	
1 = <7	0	1	2	3
2 = <14				
3 = >= 14	0			0
Are you a recovering alcoholic?				3
Do you have a history of drug or alcohol abuse?				
0 = never	0	1	2	3
1 = years ago			2	3
2 = within last year				
3 = within past 3 months				
Do you have a history of hepatitis? 0 = never				
1 = years ago	0	1	2	3
2 = within last year				_
3 = within past 3 months				
Do you have a history of long term use of prescription/recreational drugs?				
0 = never				
1 = years ago	0	1	2	3
2 = within last year				
3 = within past 3 months				
Are you sensitive to chemicals?	0	1	2	3
Are you sensitive to tobacco smoke?	0	1	2	3
Are you sensitive when exposed to diesel fumes?			2	3
Do you ever feel pain under the right side of your rib cage?			2	3
Do you have hemorrhoids or varicose veins?		1	2	3
Do you consume NutraSweet (aspartame)?	0	1	2	3
Are you sensitive to NutraSweet (aspartame)?	0	1	2	3
Do you have chronic fatigue or Fibromyalgia?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience lower bowel gas and/or bloating several hours after eating?	0	1	2	3
Is there a yellowish cast to your eyes?	0	1	2	3
Do you have reddened skin, especially your palms?			2	3
Subtotal for Liver and Gallbladder Symptoms (sum of scores)				
Subtotal /93				
Small Intestine and Pancreas	0	1	2	3
Do you have any known food allergies?			2	3
Do you experience abdominal bloating 1 to 2 hours after eating?			2	3
	0	1	-	.



Small Intestine and Pancreas	0	1	2	3
Do specific foods make you tired or bloated?			2	3
Does your pulse speed after eating?			2	3
Do you have any airborne allergies?			2	3
Do you experience hives?			2	3
Do you experience sinus congestion or "stuffy head"?	0	1	2	3
Do you crave bread or noodles?			2	3
Do you alternate between constipation and diarrhea?	0	1	2	3
Do you have a history of Crohn's disease? 0 = never 1 = years ago 2 = within last year 3 = within past 3 months	0	1	2	3
Are you sensitive to wheat or grains?	0	1	2	3
Are you sensitive to dairy?	0	1	2	3
Are there foods you could not give up?	0	1	2	3
Do you have issues with asthma, sinus infections, and/or a stuffy nose?	0	1	2	3
Do you have bizarre, vivid dreams and/or nightmares?	0	1	2	3
Do you use over-the-counter pain medications?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever feel spacey or unreal?	0	1	2	3
Does eating roughage and fiber cause constipation?	0	1	2	3
Do you have indigestion and fullness that lasts 2-4 hours after eating?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever feel pain, tenderness, soreness on your left side under your rib cage?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience excessive passage of gas?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience nausea and/or vomiting?	0	1	2	3
Do you notice your stool is undigested, foul smelling, mucous-like, greasy, and/or poorly formed?	0	1	2	3
Do you frequently need to urinate?	0	1	2	3
Do you have intense thirst and appetite?	0	1	2	3
Do you have difficulty losing weight?			2	3
Subtotal for Small Intestine and Pancreas Symptoms (sum of scores)				
Subtotal /78				
Large Intestine		1	2	3
Do you ever have issues with your anus being itchy?		1	2	3
Is your tongue coated?		1	2	3
Do you feel worse in moldy or musty places?			2	3

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Large Intestine	0	1	2	3
Have you taken antibiotics for a total accumulated time of:				
0 = never	0	1	2	3
1 = <1 month 2 = <3 months	0	1	2	5
3 = >3 months				
Do you ever have fungus or yeast infections?	0	1	2	3
Do you have ring worm, "jock itch", "athletes foot", and/or nail fungus?				3
Do any yeast related symptoms increase with sugar, starch or alcohol?				3
Are your stools hard or difficult to pass?	0	1	2	3
Do you have a history of parasites?				
0 = never	0	1	2	3
1 = <1 month 2 = <3 months	0	1	2	5
3 = >3 months				
Do you have less than one bowel movement per day?	0	1	2	3
Do your stools ever have: corners, edges, flat shapes, ribbon shapes	0	1	2	3
Are your stools not well formed (loose)?	0	1	2	3
Do you have irritable bowel or mucus colitis?	0			3
Do you ever have blood in your stool?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever have mucus in your stool?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever have excessive foul smelling lower bowel gas?	0	1	2	3
Do you have bad breath or strong body odors?	0	1	2	3
Is it painful to press along the outer sides of your thighs (Iliotibial Band)?	0	1	2	3
Do you have cramping in your lower abdominal region?	0	1	2	3
Do you have dark circles under your eyes?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever have the feeling that your bowels do not empty completely?	0	1	2	3
Do you experience lower abdominal pain relief by passing stool or gas?	0	1	2	3
Do you have alternating constipation and diarrhea?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever experience diarrhea?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever experience constipation?	0	1	2	3
Do you have more than 3 bowel movements daily?	0	1	2	3
Do you ever have a need for laxatives?			2	3
Subtotal for Large Intestine Symptoms (sum of scores)				
Subtotal /81				
Grand Total (sum of the three Subtotals) /327				



Interpretation

0-10% - Overall good balance. Sound nutrition and healthy habits will maintain good balance.

11-20% - In need of a tune up to restore balance before serious illness sets in. Diet and lifestyle improvements should shift to normal.

21-35% - Things are out of balance and need attention.

36-50% - Very compromised and likely to significantly affect your state of health, well-being and energy level.

51-100% - Severely compromised and requires immediate attention.