

Your name: _____ Cat Name: _____ Date: _____



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MI-CAT(C) – Montreal Instrument for Cat Arthritis Testing (Caretaker)

Instructions:

Please indicate the name of the person completing the questionnaire, the cat’s name, and the date at the top of each page.

Check all items in both tables that describe your cat as he is **NOW**. Add the number of checks for each table separately.

Table 1			
Category	#	Item	Circle Answer
			Y=Yes N=No U=Don't Know/Does not Apply

Agility	1	My cat moves smoothly and gracefully	Y N U
	2	I have seen my cat jumping UP 3 feet or more (to reach high places to rest in, play on, or investigate, etc.)	Y N U
	3	My cat jumps DOWN 3 feet or more	Y N U
	4	My cat easily (fast and right direction) runs UP stairs	Y N U
	5	My cat easily runs DOWN stairs	Y N U
	6	My cat runs on flat surfaces	Y N U
	7	My cat climbs vertical surfaces (such as a cat tower/furniture/trees)	Y N U
	8	My cat leaps into midair when playing	Y N U

Social, Play, and Exploratory Behaviors	9	My cat wants to play with family members/other pets	Y N U
	10	My cat sneaks/tries to sneak through doors to get outside or into off-limits parts of the house	Y N U
	11	My cat steals/attempts to steal people food or other food that isn't in a pet dish	Y N U
	12	My cat enjoys being picked up or held	Y N U
	13	My cat lies on or against family members or other pets	Y N U
Self-Maintenance	14	My cat can groom their whole body easily	Y N U
	15	My cat stretches up to sharpen their claws on, or to paw at (if declawed), vertical surfaces	Y N U
	16	My cat sharpens their claws on, or paws at, horizontal surfaces	Y N U
	17	My cat regularly stretches by extending both front feet forward and then both back feet out behind	Y N U
	18	My cat can easily scratch their head or neck with either hind foot	Y N U
A	Table 1 total number of “Yes” responses:		
B	Table 1 total number of “No” responses:		

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Table 2			
Category	#	Item	Circle Answer
			Y=Yes N=No U=Don't Know/Does not Apply
Agility	1	My cat moves clumsily or awkwardly	Y N U
	2	My cat moves stiffly or limps	Y N U
	3	My cat gets up stiffly after resting	Y N U
	4	My cat hesitates or avoids jumping UP	Y N U
	5	My cat hesitates, avoids jumping DOWN, or decreases height	Y N U
	6	My cat can't/won't jump UP more than 1-1½ feet	Y N U
	7	My cat can't/won't jump DOWN more than 1-1½ feet	Y N U
	8	My cat prefers several small hops to one bigger jump UP	Y N U
	9	My cat prefers several small hops to one bigger jump DOWN	Y N U
	10	My cat hesitates/pauses going UP stairs or takes them slowly/one at a time	Y N U
	11	My cat hesitates/pauses going DOWN stairs or takes them slowly/one at a time	Y N U
	12	My cat asks to be lifted or carried up/down the stairs or to/from elevated locations (e.g., window, table, bed)	Y N U
	13	My cat doesn't like to play, to interact with other	Y N U
Self-Maintenance	14	My cat has trouble getting to/into, or out of the litter box, or gets urine or stool outside the box	Y N U
	15	My cat's fur seems dull/flaky/untidy	Y N U
	16	My cat doesn't wash themselves well or often	Y N U
	17	My cat's claws are long/dull, or get caught in things (leave blank if declawed on all four feet)	Y N U
Physical Condition	18	If I had to rate my cat's body condition (shape) on the following scale, it would be a 4 or 5: see attached diagrams 1-5 BCS	Y N U
	19	My cat looks hunched or crouched when standing or walking: see Photos 1 & 2 (normal posture) and Photos 3 & 4 (hunched back/crouched)	Y N U
	20	My cat tends to have their weight shifted off one (or more) particular leg(s) or puts a leg out to the side when walking, standing, sitting, or lying: see Photos 5 & 6 (normal, symmetrical sitting posture), Photos 9, 10 & 11 (normal lying posture), Photo 7 (standing with one front paw held to side), Photo 8 (walking with one hind paw held to side)	Y N U
C	Table 2 total number of "Yes" responses:		
D	Table 2 total number of "No" responses:		

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MI-CAT(C) Total Score Calculation

*Refer to Table 1 rows **A** and **B**, and Table 2 rows **C** and **D**. Total score range is 0-1.*

$$\frac{B+C}{A+B+C+D} =$$

Example:

*Fluffy has 10 **Yes (A)**, 7 **No (B)**, and 1 unanswerd items in Table 1. She has 6 **Yes (C)**, 10 **No (D)**, 3 Don't Know/Does Not Apply, and 1 unanswerd items in Table 2. Score calculation:*

$$(7+6)/(10+7+6+10) = 13/33 = 0.39 = 39\%$$