

ARE YOU SHOWING SIGNS OF BURNOUT?

Source: Headington Institute

Please note: this scale is not a clinical diagnostic instrument and is provided for educational purposes. It merely identifies some of the more common symptoms of burnout. If you have any concerns about your state of emotional health, you should consult with a mental health professional.

INSTRUCTIONS: In the last month, how often has the following been true for you? Write the number that fits your reality on the line before each question.

| | 0 Never 1 Seldom 2 Sc | ometimes | 3 Often 4 Always |
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| 1. | I feel tired or sluggish much of the time, even when I'm getting enough sleep. | 13. | I have little enthusiasm for work and when I think about my work my feelings are mostly negative. |
| 2. | I find that I am easily annoyed by other people's demands & stories about their daily activities. | 14. | At work, I consistently fall short of expectations that I have for myself or that others have for me. I'm less efficient than I feel I should be. |
| 3. | I feel detached, & like I don't really care about the problems & needs of other people. | 15. | I've been eating more (or less), smoking more cigarettes, or using more alcohol or drugs. |
| 4. | I am having more and more trouble being interested in my work. | 16. | I feel like I can't solve the problems assigned to me at work. |
| 5. | I feel sad. | 17. | I feel like my work is insignificant/doesn't make a difference. |
| 6. | I have become absent-minded. I forget appointments, deadlines & | 18. | I feel "used" & unappreciated at work. |
| | personal possessions. | 19. | I get easily frustrated & irritable over small inconveniences. |
| 7. | I find myself avoiding people and don't even enjoy being around close friends & family members. | 20. | I have trouble concentrating & completing tasks at work. |
| 8. | I feel drained; even routine activities are an effort. | 21. | I feel like I have too much (or too little) to do at work. |
| 9. | I've been experiencing physical problems like stomachaches, headaches, lingering colds, & general aches & pains. | 22. | I work long hours (more than 10/day) or don't have at least 1 day off work each week. |
| 10. | I have sleeping problems. | 23. | I find myself involved with conflicts at work or with family. |
| 11. | I have difficulty making decisions. | 24. | I have trouble caring about whether I complete my work or do it well. |
| 12. | I feel burdened by responsibilities & pressures. | 25. | I feel like my coworkers are largely incompetent/not doing their jobs well. |

TOTAL SCORE: _____



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INTERPRETATION GUIDELINES

0 - 25:

A score in this range suggests that you're probably in good shape and experiencing little burnout.

26 - 50:

A score in this range suggests that you may be experiencing low to moderate degree of burnout.

51 - 75:

A score in this range suggests that you may be experiencing moderate to high degree of burnout.

76 - 100:

A score in this range suggests that you may be experiencing a very high degree of burnout.