## The A.R.E. Questionnaire

Rate your partner's A.R.E. toward you. Answer the questions using a scale from 0 - 5, where 0 = not at all true to 5 = completely true. Write your rating in the right column, and add up the total for each section.

Accessibility: From your viewpoint, how accessible is your partner to you?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>I can get my partner's attention easily.</li> <li>My partner is easy to connect with emotionally.</li> <li>My partner shows me that I come first with him or her.</li> <li>I am not feeling lonely or shut out in this relationship.</li> <li>I can share my deepest feelings with my partner. He or she will listen.</li> </ol>	
Total for Accessibility	
Responsiveness: From your viewpoint, how responsive is your partner to you?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>If I need connection and comfort, he or she will be there for me.</li> <li>My partner responds to signals that I need him or her to come close.</li> <li>I find I can lean on my partner when I am anxious or unsure.</li> <li>Even when we fight or disagree, I know I am important to my partner and we will find a way to come together.</li> <li>If I need assurance about how important I am to my partner, I can get it.</li> </ol>	
Total for Responsiveness	
Engagement: From your viewpoint, how positively, emotionally engaged are you with each other?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>I feel very comfortable being close to and trusting my partner.</li> <li>I can confide in my partner about almost anything.</li> <li>I feel confident, even when we are apart, that we are connected to each other.</li> <li>I know that my partner cares about my joys, hurts, and fears.</li> <li>I feel safe enough to take emotional risks with my partner.</li> </ol>	
Total for Engagement	

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## The A.R.E. Questionnaire – PART 2

Rate your A.R.E. toward your partner. Answer the questions using a scale from 0 - 5, where 0 = not at all true to 5 = completely true. Write your rating in the right column, and add up the total for each section.

Accessibility: From your viewpoint, how accessible are you to your partner?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>My partner can get my attention easily.</li> <li>I am easy to connect with emotionally.</li> <li>I show my partner he/she comes first.</li> <li>My partner doesn't feel shut out in our relationship (the less shut out the higher your score).</li> <li>My partner can share his/her deepest feelings with me and I will listen.</li> </ol>	
Total for Accessibility	
Responsiveness: From your viewpoint, how responsive are you to your partner?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>If my partner needs connection and comfort, I will be there.</li> <li>I respond to signals that my partner needs me to come close.</li> <li>My partner can lean on me when feeling anxious or unsure.</li> <li>Even when we fight or disagree, my partner knows he/she is important to me and we will find a way to come together.</li> <li>If my partner needs assurance about how important he/she is to me to, he/she can get it.</li> </ol>	
Total for Responsiveness	
Engagement: Are you positively and emotionally engaged with each other?	(Rating 0-5)
<ol> <li>My partner feels very comfortable being close to and trusting me.</li> <li>My partner can confide in me about almost anything.</li> <li>My partner feels confident, even when we are apart, that we are connected to each other.</li> </ol>	
<ul><li>4. My partner knows that I care about his/her joys, hurts, and fears.</li><li>5. My partner feels safe enough to take emotional risks with me.</li></ul>	
Total for Engagement	

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