MINI-COG™

1) GET THE PATIENT’S ATTENTION, THEN SAY: “I am going to say three words that I want you to remember. The words are Banana Sunrise Chair. Please say them for me now.” (Give the patient 3 tries to repeat the words. If unable after 3 tries, go to next item.) (Fold this page back at the TWO dotted lines BELOW to make a blank space and cover the memory words. Hand the patient a pencil/pen).

2) SAY ALL THE FOLLOWING PHRASES IN THE ORDER INDICATED: “Please draw a clock in the space below. Start by drawing a large circle.” (When this is done, say) “Put all the numbers in the circle.” (When done, say) “Now set the hands to show 11:10 (10 past 11).”

3) SAY: “What were the three words I asked you to remember?”

Score the clock (see other side for instructions): Normal clock 2 points Abnormal clock 0 points

Total Score = 3-item recall plus clock score 0, 1, or 2 possible impairment; 3, 4, or 5 suggests no impairment
CLOCK SCORING

NORMAL CLOCK

A NORMAL CLOCK HAS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:
All numbers 1-12, each only once, are present in the correct
order and direction (clockwise).
Two hands are present, one pointing to 11 and one pointing to
2.

ANY CLOCK MISSING EITHER OF THESE ELEMENTS IS SCORED
ABNORMAL. REFUSAL TO DRAW A CLOCK IS SCORED
ABNORMAL.

SOME EXAMPLES OF ABNORMAL CLOCKS (THERE ARE MANY OTHER KINDS)

Abnormal Hands

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