**Figure 8-1. The Mini-Mental State**

**Examination (MMSE)**

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| **Maximum** | **Score** | **ORIENTATION** |
| 5 | ( ) | What is the (year) (season) (date) (month)? |
| 5 | ( ) | Where are we (state) (country) (town or city) (hospital) (floor)? |
|  |  | **REGISTRATION** |
| 3 | ( ) | Name 3 common objects (e.g. “apple”, “table”, “penny”).  Take 1 second to say each. Then ask the patient to repeat all 3 after you have said them. Give 1 point for each correct answer.  Then repeat them until they lean all 3. Count trials and record.  Trials: |
|  |  | **ATTENTION AND CALCULATION** |
| 5 | ( ) | Ask patient to count back by sevens, starting at 100. Alternately, spell “world” backwards. The score is the number of numbers or words in the correct order.  (93\_\_\_86\_\_\_79\_\_\_72\_\_\_65\_\_\_)  (D\_\_\_\_L\_\_\_R\_\_\_\_O\_\_\_W\_\_\_\_) |
|  |  | **RECALL** |
| 3 | ( ) | Ask for the 3 objects repeated above. Give 1 point for each correct answer. (Note: Recall cannot be tested if all 3 objects were not remembered during registration. |
|  |  | **LANGUAGE** |
| 2 | ( ) | Name a “pencil” and “watch” |
| 1 | ( ) | Repeat the following: “No ifs, ands, or buts.” |
| 3 | ( ) | Follow a 3-stage command:  “Take a paper in your right hand,  Fold it in half, and  Put it on the floor.” |
| 1 | ( ) | Read and obey the following  Close our eyes. |
| 1 | ( ) | Write a sentence. |
| 1 | ( ) | benderCopy the following design. |
| **Total Score** | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | compare this score against norms for education and age. |