

Oral Mechanism Examination

Name:

Age:

Date of Examination:

NOTE THAT...

- **WNL (Within Normal Limits)** means that a person's ability to do something compared to same-age peers' ability is the same or it is in a range of the normal ability for that skill.
- **WFL (Within Functional Limits)** means that a person's ability is outside of the normal range, but it is sufficient for activities of daily living.

	WNL	WFL	Abnormal
LIPS			
Structure at rest			
Labial mobility /u/, /i/			
Retain pressure behind lips			
Purse lips			
Labial sounds /b/, /p/, /m/			
Cleft lip/other information:			
TONGUE			
Structure at rest			
Protrusion/retraction			
Mobility (side to side)			
Mobility (lift up and down)			
Mobility (lick lips)			
Lingual frenum			
Lingual strength (push stick)			
Lingual sounds //, /t/, /k/ /kʌlə/			
Other:			

	WNL	WFL	Abnormal
TEETH			
Occlusion:			
Condition:			
Spacing:			
Other:			
ALVEOLAR RIDGE/HARD PALATE			
Structure			
Length/Width/Depth			
Cleft Present			
Other:			
SOFT PALATE/VELUM			
Mobility /a/, /a-a-a/			
Velar sounds /k/, /s,z/, /t/			
Tonsils present:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
<input type="checkbox"/> No			
Other:			
MANDIBLE			
Structure at rest			
Occlusion			
Jaw stability (bite stick)			
Mouth breathing:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
<input type="checkbox"/> No			

Ability to open mouth/hold 10-15 sec:

- Yes
- No

Ability to close mouth and hold 10-15 sec:

- Yes
- No

Other:

The structure and function of the oral mechanism are:

- Adequate for Speaking
- Inadequate for Speaking

Degree of impairment:

- Mild
- Moderate
- Severe

If impairment found, the impairment presents as:

- Impairment of Structure
- Impairment of Function