The Cognitive and Affective Mindfulness Scale – Revised (CAMS-R)

The CAMS-R is a 12-item measure designed to capture a broad conceptualization of mindfulness with language that is not specific to any particular type of meditation training.


Instructions: People have a variety of ways of relating to their thoughts and feelings. For each of the items below, rate how much each of these ways applies to you.

_____ 1. It is easy for me to concentrate on what I am doing.
_____ 2. I am preoccupied by the future.
_____ 3. I can tolerate emotional pain.
_____ 4. I can accept things I cannot change.
_____ 5. I can usually describe how I feel at the moment in considerable detail.
_____ 6. I am easily distracted.
_____ 7. I am preoccupied by the past.
_____ 8. It’s easy for me to keep track of my thoughts and feelings.
_____ 9. I try to notice my thoughts without judging them.
_____ 10. I am able to accept the thoughts and feelings I have.
_____ 11. I am able to focus on the present moment.
_____ 12. I am able to pay close attention to one thing for a long period of time.

Scoring: Items 2, 6, and 7 are reverse-scored. After appropriate reversals, sum values for items 1 - 12. Higher values reflect greater mindful qualities.