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![Faces Rating Scale](image)

**Brief word instructions**: Point to each face using the words to describe the pain intensity. Ask the child to choose face that best describes own pain and record the appropriate number.

**Original instructions**: Explain to the person that each face is for a person who feels happy because he has no pain (hurt) or sad because he has some or a lot of pain. **Face 0** is very happy because he doesn’t hurt at all. **Face 1** hurts just a little bit. **Face 2** hurts a little more. **Face 3** hurts even more. **Face 4** hurts a whole lot. **Face 5** hurts as much as you can imagine, although you don’t have to be crying to feel this bad. Ask the person to choose which face that best describes how he is feeling.

Rating scale is recommended for persons age 3 years and older.

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