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# LYME DISEASE SYMPTOM checklist

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<b>Do you recall having been bitten by a tick?</b>	Yes	No
If so, do you recall a rash at the site of the bite? Do you recall having had a rash that looked	Yes	No
like a "bull's eye" target?	Yes	No
Head, Face, Neck		
Unexplained hair loss	Yes	No
Headache (severe, unresponsive to over-the-counter medicine)	Yes	No
Twitching of facial or other muscles	Yes	No
Facial paralysis (Bell's palsy) on one or both sides of the face	Yes	No
Jaw pain or stiffness	Yes	No
Eyes/Vision		
Double or blurry vision	Yes	No
Increased floating spots	Yes	No
Pain in eyes or swelling around eyes	Yes	No
Oversensitivity to light	Yes	No
Flashing lights	Yes	No
Ears/Hearing		
Decreased hearing in one or both ears	Yes	No
Buzzing, ringing or pain in ears	Yes	No
Musculoskeletal System		
Joint pain or swelling, especially in knees, wrists or ankles	Yes	No
Stiffness of joints, back or neck	Yes	No
Muscle pain or cramps	Yes	No
Chest pain or rib soreness	Yes	No
Backache (severe)	Yes	No
Weakness in $arm(s)$ or $leg(s)$	Yes	No

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## **Respiratory and Circulatory Systems**

Shortness of breath, cough (severe, persistent despite medication)	Yes	No
Night sweats or unexplained chills	Yes	No
Heart palpitations or extra beats	Yes	No

# **Digestive and Excretory Systems**

Diarrhea	Yes	No
Constipation	Yes	No
Irritable bladder (trouble starting or stopping)	Yes	No
Upset stomach (especially with pain)	Yes	No
Sore throat (unusually severe or prolonged)	Yes	No

# **Neurologic System**

Tremors or other unexplained shaking	Yes	No
Burning or stabbing sensations in the body	Yes	No
Feeling of pressure in head without an actual "headache"	Yes	No
Numbness in body, tingling or pinpricks	Yes	No
Poor balance, dizziness, difficulty walking	Yes	No
Increased motion sickness	Yes	No
Lightheadedness, wooziness, sleepiness during the daytime	Yes	No
Letter or number reversals	Yes	No

## **Reproduction & Sexuality**

Loss of sex drive	Yes	No
Females: Unexplained menstrual pain or irregularity	Yes	No
Females: Unexplained breast pain, discharge	Yes	No
Males:Testicular or pelvic pain	Yes	No

## **Mental Capability**

Memory problems (short or long-term memory failures)	Yes	No
Confusion, difficulty in thinking	Yes	No
Difficulty with concentration or reading	Yes	No
Going to the wrong place	Yes	No
Difficulty with speech (slurred, slow or stammering)	Yes	No
Forgetting how to perform simple tasks	Yes	No
If you're in school, has there been a decline in your performance?	Yes	No

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### **Psychological Well-being**

Mood swings, irritability	Yes	No
Unusual depression	Yes	No
Disorientation (getting or feeling lost)	Yes	No
Overemotional reactions, crying or angry very easily	Yes	No
Sleep disturbances (too much, too little, difficulty falling asleep)	Yes	No
Feeling as if you are losing your mind	Yes	No

### General Well-being, miscellaneous areas

Have you had unexplained weight gain or loss?	Yes	No
Have you been experiencing extreme fatigue?	Yes	No
Do you have swollen glands?	Yes	No
Have you been having unexplained fevers (high or low grade)?	Yes	No
Do you get continual infections (sinus, kidney, eye, ear, etc.)?	Yes	No
Symptoms seem to change, come and go, but "always something"	Yes	No
Do you get pain that moves to different body parts?	Yes	No
Early on, did you have a "flu like" illness,		
and haven't felt well since?	Yes	No
Do you get rashes that disappear and return?	Yes	No
Have you seen deer coming onto your property?	Yes	No
If you are over 7 years old and, if ADD (or ADHD) has		
been diagnosed, did the symptoms first appear after age 7?	Yes	No

Symptoms appearing in this checklist in *italics* are considered to be especially significant by a pediatric neurologist who has treated numerous children and adolescents with Lyme disease.

### **Other concerns:**

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