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Based on the wonderful work of Julia Ross & Trudy Scott

AMINO ACID QUESTIONNAIRE

Rate on a scale from 0-10 the severity of a symptom, 10 being the most severe.

<u>Low GABA</u> <u>Symptom Score</u>

Anxiety and feeling overwhelmed or stressed
Feeling worried or fearful
Have intrusive thoughts, perseverate or have an
overactive brain. Or have unwanted thoughts –
thoughts about unpleasant memories, images or
worries
Panic attacks
Unable to relax or loosen up
Stiff or tense muscles
Feeling stressed and burned-out
Craving carbs, alcohol, or drugs for relaxation ancalming
TOTAL

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Low Serotonin

Anxiety: may be different than GABA anxiety.	
Low GABA you're going to feel in your body, and	
low serotonin anxiety you will experience in your	
head (worry, busy mind, ruminating). You can	
have both.	
Panic attacks or phobias	
Feeling worried or fearful	
Obsessive thoughts or behaviors	
Perfectionism or being overly controlling	
Irritability	
Anxiety that's worse in winter	
Winter blues or seasonal affective disorder	
Negativity or depression	
Suicidal thoughts	
Excessive self-criticism	
Low self-esteem and poor self-confidence	
PMS or menopausal mood swings	
Sensitivity to hot weather	
Hyperactivity	
Anger or rage	
Digestive issues	
Fibromyalgia, temporomandibular joint syndrome,	
or other pain syndromes	
Difficulty getting to sleep	
Insomnia or disturbed sleep	
Afternoon or evening cravings for carbs, alcohol or	
drugs	
TOTAL	

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Low Catecholamines

Depression and apathy

Easily bored

Lack of energy

Lack of focus

Lack of drive and low motivation

Attention deficit disorder

Procrastination and indecisiveness

Craving carbs, alcohol, caffeine, or drugs for energy

TOTAL

Low Endorphins

Heightened sensitivity to emotional pain
Heightened sensitivity to physical pain
Crying or tearing up easily
Eating to soothe your mood, or comfort eating
Really, really *loving* certain foods, behaviors,
drugs, or alcohol
Craving a reward or numbing treat

TOTAL

Low Blood Sugar

Crave sugar, starch or alcohol any time during the	
day	
Irritable, shaky, headachey – especially if too long	
between meals (can look like anxiety or a panic	
attack)	
Intense cravings for sweets	
Lightheaded if meals are missed	
Eating relieves fatigue	
Agitated, easily upset, nervous	
Glutamine helps to keep blood sugar stable. Good	
for the digestive system and very healing for the	
gut. Can be calming or excitatory	
TOTAL	