Mental Status Examination Worksheet

**Name:**

Please read the assignment guidelines and rubric and answer the following questions based on observations of the volunteer in your recorded psychiatric interview submitted in Week 4.

**1) Mental Status Examination:** View the recorded psychiatric interview submitted in Week 4 and observe the mental status of your volunteer. Use appropriate terminology to document your observations of the mental status exam (MSE) components below.

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| **Appearance** |  |
| **Behavior and attitude** |  |
| **Speech** |  |
| **Affect and mood** |  |
| **Thought process** |  |
| **Thought content** |  |

**2) Cognitive Examination:** Describe specific age-appropriate exam techniques that could be used to assess the cognitive status of your volunteer. Include the following components:

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| **Age of volunteer** |  |
| **Level of awareness or wakefulness** |  |
| **Attention and concentration** |  |
| **Memory** |  |
| **Judgment** |  |
| **Insight** |  |

**3) Reflection:** In 1-2 paragraphs, describe your therapeutic communication style in the recorded psychiatric history video in Week 4. What strengths did you identify? What areas require further development?