# Longitudinal Study of American Youth

This questionnaire should be completed by:

### Instructions:

This survey will ask you a series of questions about your experiences and thoughts in a number of areas concerning school and your plans for the future. Take your time and think about each question carefully.

This questionnaire will be scanned by a machine to record your answers. For each question, please use the pencil provided for you and darken the oval that best reflects your answer. For example:

Have you ever: (MARK ALLOVALS THAT APPLY)

- driven an automobile?
- played soccer?
- held a job for pay?

In this example, if you have not driven an automobile, you should leave the oval to the left of the question blank, as shown above. If you have played soccer and held a job for pay, you should darken the appropriate ovals. It is important to use the #2 pencil provided for you and to darken all of the area inside the ovals.

In a few places in the survey, you will be asked to write answers directly on the questionnaire. In these cases, please print clearly and try to stay within the boxes provided for each answer. Do not write in other areas of the questionnaire since the optical scanner may mistake stray marks for answers.

If you have any questions about the correct procedure for recording your answers, please ask your monitor for help. When you finish the questionnaire, please return it to your monitor.

### STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Your answers to all of the questions will be held in strict confidence. Your responses will be merged with those of other respondents from across the country, and the answers you give will never be identified as yours.

Do not grade lunch, study hall, or free hours. The first six questions ask you to grade each course: You may use all five letter grades: A, B, C, D, or F. Please list each course you are CURRENTLY ENROLLED in and the teacher's name for that section/course.

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| HOMEWORK: How many hours of homework do you have for this class in an average week? Write the number of hours in each box. | COMPUTERS: For each course, write Y if you sometimes use a computer; N if you never use a computer in that course. | DIFFICULTY: How difficult or easy is each course for you? F means that it is very difficult. | TEXTBOOK CLARITY: How clear is the textbook for each course? A means very clear; F means hard to understand. Leave blank if you do not use a textbook. | USEFULNESS: How useful do you think each course will be to you in your career? A means that it will be very useful; F means that it will be of no use. | CHALLENGE: How much does each course challenge you to use your mind? A means that it challenges you a lot; F means that it never challenges you. | TEACHER CLARITY: How clear is the teacher in explaining the material? A means very clear; F means not clear at all. | SUBJECT MATTER: How much do you like the subject matter of each course? A means you really like the subject; F means you hate it. |   |          |   |   |        |    |  |     |      |
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### Last summer, I: If you had a job last summer, whether volunteer or for pay, please answer the following questions (MARK ALL OVALS THAT APPLY) about your summer job(s): Which of the following best describes your summer job(s)? worked part-time for pay o worked 30 hours or more per week for pay (MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH JOB YOU HAD) participated in an organized sports program took music or dance lessons Lawn work, odd jobs took a vacation trip with my family Waiter/waitress or other food service watched a lot of television Newspaper route or other delivery read six or more books (not for a class) Babysitting or other child care odid volunteer work in a political campaign Camp/recreation played a lot of sports Farm or agricultural work helped my parents fix some things in my home Factory work o visited a science museum, natural history Other manual labor museum or planetarium Store clerk, salesperson o visited an art museum Office or clerical ovisited a zoo, aquarium, or botanical garden Hospital or health attended a live concert by a symphony orchestra Chores around the house (for pay) thought about running away from home Other (Specify: \_\_ read a science fiction story How much did you earn from your played a musical instrument just for fun sometimes played chess, checkers, or a game like that summer job(s)? considered suicide (MARK ONE OVAL INDICATING TOTAL EARNED) did a lot of chores around the house C Less than \$100 was bored a lot of the time \$100 - \$499 talked with my friends about jobs and plans for the **\$500 - \$999** future at least once repaired a machine that was broken took a course in science In describing your summer job(s), would took a course in mathematics you say... took a course about computers (MARK ALL OVALS THAT APPLY.) had six or more dates with persons of the opposite sex □ It was a place where people goof off alot. read a news magazine most weeks You did this job mostly for the money matched three or more TV news shows most weeks you earned. talked with my parents about some issues in the news □ It was more enjoyable than school. oflew in an airplane This job encouraged good work habits. put together a lot of puzzles This job was more important for you than used a computer for 10 hours or more school. (not in a class) You worked very hard at this job. talked with my friends about some issues in the news You enjoyed the job. read a newspaper at least 3 times a week You learned a lot from doing this job. odrove the family car at least once a week You would like to work in this field after you finish school. Working at this job has helped you decide what you might like to do after you finish When I finish high school, I will: (MARK ALL OVALS THAT APPLY) Your experience on this job has helped you decide to continue further in school than you otherwise might have. enroll in a four-year college or university ☐ This job required you to think and solve onlist in a military service problems. get married as soon as possible ofeel like I've escaped from prison FOR LSAY USE ONLY leave this community continue to live with my parents 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 get a full-time job 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 take a year off, then go to college 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 enroll in a vocational, trade, or business school OD OD OD OD OD OD OD OD 00 00 02 03 05 05 05 05 05 05 05 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

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| having a happy family life  Having lots of money   | 0  | 0  |  |
| Having strong friendships  | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Being able to find steady work   |  | 0  |  |
| Being a leader in my community   |  | 0  |  |
| Being able to give my children better  |  | - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 1946 - 194<br> |  |
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| Having children  | .6° O  | O  | 0  |
| Having leisure time to enjoy my own interes  |  | 0  | 0  |
| Keeping up to date with political and social   | and the second of the second o | 0  |  |
| Helping other people in my community   | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Now a few questions about wha career<br>(MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)  | Strongly   | about you  | Strongly   |
| No single occupation appeals strongly to m   |  | 0 0  | Ö  |
| I often think about what type of job I   |  | and the second section of the second second  | en hanner tumatanen hilaanka agittai                               |
| will be doing after I finish school  |  | 0 0  |  |
| I am quite certain about what kinds of jobs I would enjoy doing when I am older  | 0  | 0 0  |  |
| I am not sure what jobs I could perform well   |  | 00   | Ö  |
| I am worried about what job I might like to  |  | 0 0  | 0  |
| There are a lot of issues discusse is hard to keep up with every are for each issue area listed below,   |  |  | How well informed are  |
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This is a presidential election year. Some young people become involved in political campaigns; others do not. Please indicate how often you have lone each of the following activities during the ast year.

MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)

|   | Several | Once or |       |
|---|---------|---------|-------|
| Wore a candidate button                           | Times   | Twice   | Never |
|   |         |         |       |
| Stuffed envelopes                                 | $\Box$  |         | . 🔾   |
| Handed out literature                             | 0       | 0       | 0     |
| Attended a speech/meeting_                        | Ο.      |         | 0     |
| Listened to a candidate on T                      | 0       | 0       | 0     |
| Read an article about a candidate or the election |         | _       | ,     |
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If I could vote this year, I would vote for: (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)

- George Bush
- Michael Dukakis
- Someone else
- I wouldn't vote

Normally, I consider myself to be: (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)

- a Democrat
- a Republican
- an Independent
- o a member of some other party
- o none of the above

By the time I am 40, I will: (MARK ALL OVALS THAT APPLY)

- be married
- □ have at least one child
- have three or more children
- have served at least one tour in the military
- be a regular voter in local and national elections
- have been a candidate for office
- have a steady full-time job
- make relatively more money than my parents make
- be active in a church/synagogue/temple
- own my own home
- have a job that challenges and excites me
- be respected by my fellow workers in my occupation or profession
- have a part-time job
- be in charge of several other workers
- have accomplished something important in my work
- obe a leader in my community
- own my own business
- be well-informed about political and social issues

As things stand now, how far in school do you think you will get?
(MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)

- □ Less than high school graduation
- High school graduation only

Vocational, trade, or business school after high school

- Less than two years
- Two years or more

College program

- Less than two years of college
- Two or more years of college
- Finish college (four- or five-year degree)
- Master's degree or equivalent
- Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced degree

How sure are you that you will graduate from high school?
(MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)

- Very sure
- □ Fairly sure
- Not sure

How sure are you that you will go on for further education after high school?
(MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)

- Very sure
- Fairly sure
- O Not sure

Do you plan to take any of the following tests this school year or next school year?

(MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)

|  | Yes,   |      |     |
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|  | year   | year | No  |
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READ THE FIRST SENTENCE IN EACH OF THE THREE BOXES ON THIS PAGE, THEN ANSWER THE QUESTIONS IN THE ONE BOX THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR COLLEGE PLANS.

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| If you do not plan to attend college at any | time, |
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| answer the questions in this box.           |       |

In deciding NOT to go to college, how important to you is each of the following reasons? (MARK ONE OVAL IN EACH LINE) I am not interested in going to college. I do not need a college education to do what I want to do with my life. 000 I do not think I would be successful in college work. I do not think I (or my family) can afford the cost of college. 000 I want to get married and start a family. I am not sure what I want to do with

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I need to stay home and help my family.  $\bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc$ 

My parents do not want me to go to

I am going into my family business

and I don't need college.

college.

### If you plan to attend college eventually, but not the fall after you graduate from high school, answer the questions in this box.

My reason(s) for waiting to attend college are: (MARK ALL OVALS THAT APPLY.)

- □ I need to save money to attend college.
- □ I am not ready to attend college.
- ☐ I am afraid that I will not be able to do the required college work.
- I need time to make up courses before I attend college.
- My parents need me to help at home.
- My family needs financial help from me.
- □ I do not want to leave the area right now.
- □ I need time to decide what I want to do.
- □ I plan to travel for a year before I attend college.
- I plan to participate in an activity such as music, dance, or competitive sports before
   I begin college.

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# If you plan to attend college the fall after you graduate from high school, answer the questions in this box.

In deciding to go to college, how important to you is each of the following reasons?

(MARK ONE OVAL IN EACH LINE)

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| To be able to get a better job.   | , , , , , , ,                                     |
| To gain education and             | :   |
| appreciation of ideas.            | 000   |
| To improve my reading and         |   |
| study skills.                     | . 000   |
| There is nothing better to do.    | 000   |
| To make me a more cultured person | n 666   |
|                                   |   |
| To be able to make more money.    |   |
| To learn more about things        |   |
| that interest me.                 | 900   |
| To prepare myself for graduate    |   |
| or professional school.           | 000   |
| My parants want me to go.         | ~~~   |
|                                   |   |
| Probably could not find a job.    |   |
| Want to get away from home.       | 1. O D O .  |

Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?

### (MARK ONE)

- None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)
- Some concern (but I will probably have enough funds)
- Major concern (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)

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| Write in here the names of the two jobs or occupations that you think you are most likely to have when you are 40 years old. Even if you are not at all sure write in your best guesses.  DO NOT WRITE OUTSIDE BOXES  First Choice:  Second Choice:  How sure are you of your FIRST CHOICE of job?  Very sure Fairly sure Not sure  What is your mother's reaction to your | What is the highest level of education you will need to qualify for your FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)  Less than high school graduation  High school graduation only  Vocational or trade school  after high school  College  some college, but no degree  2-yr (Associate) degree  4-yr college degree  Master's degree or equivalent  Ph.D., M.D., or other advanced  degree  I am not sure |
|--|--|
| FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)  Very pleased with this choice Doesn't care what job I choose Doesn't want me to do this kind of work Doesn't know about this choice I don't know what she thinks  What is your father's reaction to your  FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)   | Which of the following high school math courses will you need to take to qualify for your FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ALL THAT APPLY)  Geometry Algebra Trigonometry Calculus None, I don't need any math for this job  |
| <ul> <li>Very pleased with this choice</li> <li>Doesn't care what job I choose</li> <li>Doesn't want me to do this kind of work</li> <li>Doesn't know about this choice</li> <li>I don't know what he thinks</li> </ul> How much encouragement have you received from the following on your FIRST  | Which of the following high school science courses will you need to take to qualify for your FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ALL THAT APPLY)  Biology Chemistry Physics   |
| CHOICE of job? (MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)  A LOT SOME NONE  My mother  My father  My brother or sister  Another relative  A teacher  A school counselor  My friends  What I have read   | O None, I don't need any science for this job I am not sure  Have you ever been in any of the following kinds of courses or programs in high school? (MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE) Yes No Advanced or honors program in English O Advanced or honors program in Mathematics O Advanced or honors program in Science O O  |
| Which one of the following has had the MOST influence on your FIRST CHOICE of job? (MARK ONE OVAL ONLY)  My mother  My father  My brother or sister  Another relative  A teacher  A school counselor  My friends  What I have read   | Bilingual or bicultural program  Classes for gifted or talented students  English as a second language (ESL)  Remedial English (sometimes called basic or essential)  Remedial Mathematics (sometimes called basic or essential)  Special program for the educationally handicapped  Special program for the physically handicapped  |

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| How do you feel about each of the following stateme  | III(S?             |                           |          |   |                                       |
| (FILL IN ONE OVAL ON EACH LINE)  | Strongly           |                           | Not      |   | Strongly                              |
|  | Agree              | Agree                     | Sure     | Disagree                                      | Disagree                              |
| I take a positive attitude toward myself   | 0                  | 0                         |          | 0   |                                       |
| Good luck is more important than hard work for success   | 0                  |                           |          |   |                                       |
| I feel I am a person of worth, on an equal plane with others   | 000                |                           | 0 0      | 0   |                                       |
| I am able to do things as well as most other people  Every time I try to get ahead, it seems that something or somebody  |                    |                           |          |   |                                       |
| stops me   | 0                  | 0                         | 0        | 0   |                                       |
| Generally speaking, I am a good student.   |                    | 0                         | 0        | 0   |                                       |
| Planning only makes a person unhappy, since plans hardly ever work   |                    | \$                        |          | 4   |                                       |
| Out anyway  Records who account their condition in life are harmier than these who   | , O %              | . C                       |          |   |                                       |
| People who accept their condition in life are happier than those who try to change things  | 0                  | 0                         | 0        | 0   | 0                                     |
| On the whole, I am satisfied with myself   |                    | 0                         |          | <i>Q</i> O                                    |                                       |
| I wish I could have more respect for myself  |                    | 0                         | 0        |   |                                       |
| It is best to live each day to its fullest and let tomorrow take   |                    |                           |          |   |                                       |
| care of itself   | 0                  | 0                         |          | 0   |                                       |
| All in all, I am inclined to feel that I am a failure I like to figure things out for myself without anybody else's help   | 0                  |                           |          |   |                                       |
| I like working on tough problems until I get the answer right  |                    | 0                         | 0        | 0   |                                       |
| I don't like to do any more school work than I have to   |                    |                           |          | 0   | • •                                   |
| I would rather keep struggling with a problem than give up   | 0                  |                           | 0        |   |                                       |
| on it before I get the answer right I like to solve puzzles and riddles  |                    | 0                         |          |   |                                       |
| I like to play games like chess and checkers that require logic  |                    | e i ya i Mali             |          | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·         | i pagein in the side of the re-       |
| and strategy   |                    |                           |          |   |                                       |
| Given a choice, most days I would come to school rather than   |                    |                           |          |   |                                       |
| stay at home   |                    |                           | <u> </u> |   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
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| How important are each of the following to you:  |                    |                           |          |   |                                       |
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| (MINT ONE OVAL FOR EACH BINE)  |                    | ery<br>ortant             |          | portant                                       | Important                             |
| Getting good grades in school  |                    | -                         |          |   |                                       |
| Getting good grades in school<br>Completing your homework every night  |                    | -                         |          | portant                                       | Important                             |
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For each of the school subjects listed below, please mark the statement that best describes your grades last year.

(MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH SUBJECT)

|   | English    | Mathematics | Science      | Social<br>Studies |
|---|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Mostly A (a numerical average of s<br>About half A and half B (85-89) | 90-100) ©  | <b>O</b>    | <b>0</b>     | <u> </u>          |
| Mostly B (80-84)<br>About half B and half C (75-79)                   | <b>©</b> 0 | <b>0</b>    | <b>0</b> 0   | 00                |
| Mostly C (70-74) About half C and half D (65-69)                      | 0          | 0           | 0            | , <b>0</b>        |
| Mostly D (60-64)<br>Mostly below D (below 60)                         | <b>0</b> 0 | 0           | * <b>. 0</b> | <b>6</b>          |

Now we would like you to tell us how you feel about math and science. Please indicate how you feel about each of the following statements. (FILL IN ONE OVAL ON EACH LINE)

|   | Strongly        | ,                                      | Not  |          | Strongly     |   |
|---|-----------------|--|--|----------|--------------|---|
|   | Agree           | Agree                                  | Sure   | Disagree | Disagree     | 3   |
| I enjoy math  | . 0             | <b>'O</b> '.                           | Ο.   | Ο,,      | $-\Phi_{ij}$ |   |
| I am good at math   | 0               | 0                                      | 0  | 0        | 0            |   |
| I usually understand what we are doing in math                            | o,              | er Ф.                                  | , O.,  | Ο,       | • •          | 776   |
| Math is more useful for boys than for girls                               | 0               | 0                                      | 0  | 0        | 0            |   |
| Doing math often makes me nervous or upset                                | , d             | ······································ | · ' 🔘 . :                                    | · . •    |              | 30 C V (70)                                 |
| I worry about how well I will do on math tests                            | 0               |  | 0  | . 0      |              |   |
| I often get scared when I open my math book and see                       | 4.4             |  |  |          | , a          |   |
| a page of problems  |                 | · . •                                  | <u>,                                    </u> |          | - 14         |   |
| Math is useful in everyday problems                                       | 0 ,             |  |  | . 0      |              |   |
| Math helps a person think logically                                       | " . <b>O</b> !? | . <b>,</b> O.,                         | * .CD  | 0        |              |   |
| Boys are generally better at math than are girls                          |                 |  |  | 0        | 0            | \$ .  |
| It is important to know math to get a good job                            | <b></b>         | æ Ç                                    |  | Φ        |              | H. 1836                                     |
| I will use math in many ways as an adult                                  |                 | 0                                      | 0  | 0        | 0            |   |
|   | lacksquare      | . O                                    |  | Ο.       | T.           |   |
| I enjoy science   |                 |  |  |          |              |   |
| I am good at science  | Д               | . 0                                    | <u> </u>                                     |          |              | n.  |
| I usually understand what we are doing in science                         |                 |  | _  | 0        |              |   |
| Science is more useful for boys than for girls                            |                 |  |  | . 0      |              |   |
| Doing science often makes me nervous or upset                             | 0               |  |  |          |              |   |
| I worry about how well I will do on science tests                         |                 |  |  |          |              |   |
| I often get scared when I open my science book and see a page of problems | Θ.              | Ο.                                     | Θ.   | ð        | 6            |   |
| Science is useful in everyday problems                                    |                 | 0                                      | 0  | 0        |              |   |
| Science helps a person think logically                                    | Φ.              |  | . · •  | . O      | Ö            |   |
| Boys are generally better at science than are girls                       | 0               | 0                                      | 0  | 0        | 0            |   |
| It is important to know science to get a good job                         | Φ.              | Ο'                                     | O'   | . 0      | . O          |   |
| I will use science in many ways as an adult                               | 0               | 0                                      | 0  |          | 0            | anner - The Section Section 4 and Section 4 |
|   |                 |  |  |          |              |   |

| How many of your friends   |             | (MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)                                     |  |               |  |  |  |  |
|--|-------------|---|--|---------------|--|--|--|--|
|  | None        | A few   | Some   | Most          | A11  |  |  |  |
| Are really good students   | 0           |   |  | 0             |  |  |  |  |
| Plan to go to college  | 0           |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Really don't like school   | 0           |   | 0  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Have decided on what career they want  |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Have a weekend curfew set by their parent(s)   | 0           |   |  | 9             |  |  |  |  |
| Like math  |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Do well in math  | 0           | 9   | 9  | 9             |  |  |  |  |
| Watch a lot of television  | 0           |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Are active in school clubs and activities  | 0           | <b>O</b>  |  | 0             |  |  |  |  |
| Like science   |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Do well in science   | 0           |   | 0  | 0             |  |  |  |  |
| Think you are a good student Know how to write computer programs   | 0           |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Hope to become scientists, doctors,  |             |   | ray (1987) <del>TT</del> (1984) e<br>T   |               |  |  |  |  |
| engineers, or mathematicians   | 0           | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0  |  |  |  |
| Are well informed about political and  |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| social issues  | 0           |   | 0  | 0             | 0  |  |  |  |
| Often discuss current news events  | 0           | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0  |  |  |  |
| Have worked for a candidate in the 1988  |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| presidential election  | $\circ$     | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0  |  |  |  |
| Will drop out before graduating from   |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| high school  | 0           | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0  |  |  |  |
|  |             |   |  |               |  |  |  |  |
| Which of the following best describes your present school program? (MARK ONE ONLY)   |             | How often following?  |  |               | he<br>R EACH LINE)   |  |  |  |
| General Academic or college preparatory Vocational (occupational preparation) Agricultural occupations Business or office occupations Distributive education Health occupations Home economics occupations Technical occupations Trade or industrial occupations   |             | Women's m<br>Teenage ma<br>Science mag<br>Car magazi<br>Hobby mag | ws magazines<br>nagazines<br>ngazines<br>gazines<br>nes                          |               | MOST         SOME-         NOT           ISSUES         TIMES         AT ALL           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O           O         O         O |  |  |  |
| How often do you talk to your mother or father about: (MARK ONE OVAL FOR EACH LINE)  SOME-   |             | How often   | -  |               | n of the   |  |  |  |
| how well you are doing in school your career and future plans homework and school projects dating problems you are having at school international and foreign policy issues racial problems in society the problems of women in society issues involving science or technology military or defense issues the space program economic issues and business conditions the 1988 Presidential election |             | NOVA (PBS   | news show<br>science sho<br>eographic Sp<br>ent/game<br>show<br>talk show<br>act | Often<br>w) □ | Sometimes Never  |  |  |  |
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## How do you feel about each of the following statements?

(FILL IN ONE OVAL ON EACH LINE)

|  | Strongly    |         | Not    |              | Strongly                    |
|--|-------------|---------|--------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| •  | Agree       | Agree   | Sure   | Disagree     | Disagree                    |
| Scientific invention is largely responsible for our standard of living in the United States  | 0           | 0       | Ö      | 0            | ο.                          |
| There are still major unanswered questions about the safety  |             |         |        |              |                             |
| of nuclear power plants  | 0           | 0       | 0      | 0            | 0                           |
| Solar energy is the best single long-term solution to our energy problem   | 0           | .0      | ,<br>, | 0            | 0.,                         |
| The United States should build a space station large enough to house scientific and manufacturing                                    |             |         |        |              |                             |
| experiments.   | 0           | 0       | 0      | 0            | 0                           |
| The risk involved in generating nuclear power is relatively minor and should not block the construction of new nuclear power plants  | Ö           | 0       | 0      | <u>.</u> O   | 0                           |
| Most of the people on unemployment could find jobs if they really wanted to  | 0           | . 0     | 0      | 0            | 0                           |
| Rocket launchings and other space activities have caused changes in our weather  | Ö           | О       | ð      | . 0          | , o:                        |
| Human beings as we know them today developed from earlier species of animals   |             | 0       | 0      | 0            | 0                           |
| Smoking causes serious health problems   | · (C)       | Ο .     | O:     | · · · ·      | . <b>a</b>                  |
| In the entire universe, it is likely that there are thousands of   |             |         |        |              |                             |
| planets like our own on which life could have developed  | 0           | 0       |        | - 0          | 0                           |
| The continents on which we live have been moving their location for millions of years and will continue to move in the future        | ō,          | Ó       | 0      | ‡ <b>⊙</b> ; | es.                         |
| Because of their knowledge, scientific researchers have a power  | 2           |         |        |              | 2.0                         |
| that makes them dangerous  |             |         |        | 0            |                             |
| The United States should try to land astronauts on   |             | 2       |        |              |                             |
| Mars in the next decade.   | <b>P</b> ;/ | Ο.      | φ.     | 9            |                             |
| Scientific researchers are dedicated people who work for the good of humanity  | 0           | 0       |        | 0            | 0                           |
| One trouble with science is that it makes our way of life change   |             |         |        |              |                             |
| too fast   |             | : O:    | Φ.     |              | $, \mathbf{i} \mathbf{o} :$ |
| It is likely that some of the unidentified flying objects that have  |             |         |        |              |                             |
| been reported are really space vehicles from other civilizations   |             |         |        |              |                             |
| In this complicated world of ours, the only way we can know what<br>is going on is to rely on leaders and experts who can be trusted | O           | 50      | 0      | ď            | 6                           |
| New inventions will always be found to counteract any harmful  |             |         |        |              |                             |
| consequences of technological development  | 0           | 0       | 0      |              |                             |
| If we don't automate our factories, American products will be too  |             | . 40.00 |        |              |                             |
| expensive to compete successfully against products made in automated factories in Japan and Europe                                   | 0           | ۵       | 0      | ð'           | σ.                          |
| One of the main reasons why there is high unemployment in this   |             |         |        |              |                             |
| country is that technological developments have put many   |             |         |        |              |                             |
| Americans out of work  |             |         |        |              |                             |
| On balance, computers and factory automation will create more jobs than they will eliminate  | Ö           | 0       | Ð      | , Oi         | ď.                          |

You have completed the questionnaire.

Thank you for your help.

Please return the questionnaire to your monitor.