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## Questionnaire

## Pre-Teens

## Dear Participant,

This questionnaire addresses household members born in 2009 and who are participating for the first time ever.

The teen should have the opportunity to answer the questions without being influenced by the parents!

Of course, your participation is completely voluntary. For our study to produce scientifically valid results, it is important that every member of your household takes part.

We cordially request you

- to answer the questions for our Interviewer
- or to fill out the questionnaire by yourself accurately.

This questionnaire is to be filled out by (may also be filled out by Interviewer):

First name:

## <Vorname>




## Questionnaire

## Pre-Teens



We also offer an online questionnaire as an alternative to the paper version.
To complete the questionnaire online, please enter the following address into your Internet browser:

## <LinkCAWI>

Your personal access code is:

```
<PWD-CAWI>
```

If you completed the questionnaire online, you don't need to return this printed questionnaire.

宿 If an interviewer is present, please enter:


LFD der Schülerin/des Schülers


Interviewernummer

## How should the questionnaire be filled out？

There are different types of question and answer forms：
Example：Do you have siblings？Yes $\triangle$ No
Numbers are entered in the slightly larger white fields according to your answers．

Example：
Number of pupils


For some questions you are given answer options．


A question form is called a scale．It comes from the Latin language and means something like ladder or stairs． You can think of it like that：If something is at the bottom or does not apply at all，you are on the lowest step． If something is at the top or fully true，you are on the top step．Sometimes something is true，but only more or less，then you are on one of the steps in between．
Example：


A 寈 precedes explanations of individual questions．
Once，depending on your answers，it does not go in order，this is indicated by arrows．
Example：Do you have siblings？
${ }_{1} \square$
Yes
$\square$$\quad$ No $\quad{ }_{2} \boxtimes<$ Continue with question $x x$

If you make a mistake with an answer，simply cross out the box clearly and tick the answer that is actually correct．
Example：Do you have siblings？Yes Xo

If you accidentally crossed out the correct answer and ticked the wrong one，then also cross out this wrong answer and draw a circle around the correct answer．
Example：Do you have siblings？Yes
No
元

Please make sure：
$\checkmark$ 宵 that you fill out the questionnaire in black pen only．
宿 that your answers are clearly legible．
宿 and that your answers are inside the boxes．
This makes our work much easier．Thank you very much！

## First, a Few Questions About You

1 Next come a few statements that begin, for example, with: "I am ...", "I have ..." or "I try ..." and where you can think that it is exactly the same for you - i.e. that it "fully applies" or that it is not at all the case for you i.e. that it "does not apply at all" or that it is only "partly true". Please answer all the questions as best you can, even if you are not quite sure or if a question seems strange to you.

Please select one answer per line only.

| I try to be nice to other people, I care about their feelings | Not true of me at all $\square$ | Partly true of me $\square$ | Completely true of me $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I am restless, I cannot stay still for long | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I get a lot of headaches, stomach-aches or sickness | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I usually share with others | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I get very angry and often lose my temper | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am usually on my own; I generally play alone or keep to myself | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I usually do as I am told | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I worry a lot | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am helpful if someone is hurt, upset or feeling ill | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am constantly fidgeting or squirming | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I have one good friend or more | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I fight a lot with others | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I can make other people do what I want | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am often unhappy, down-hearted or tearful | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other people my age generally like me | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am easily distracted, I find it difficult to concentrate | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am nervous in new situations. I easily lose confidence | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am kind to younger children | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I am often accused of lying or cheating | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Other children or young people pick on me or bully me | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I often volunteer to help others (parents, teachers, children) | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I think before I do things | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I take things that are not mine from home, school or elsewhere | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I get on better with adults than with people my own age | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I have many fears, I am easily scared | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| I finish the work I'm doing; My attention is good | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

2 What grade are you in?
sclgrade
In the
 grade

3 How many students are there in your class?
sclppls
 Total number of students

4 How many of your fellow students or their parents were not from Germany?


Students
Nobody 1
Don't know

5 Do you have the feeling that the teachers...


Does not apply, no school grades included in the report card
7 What school-leaving qualification do you personally want to attain one day?
idegrad
皃 Please select one answer only.
Lower secondary school-leaving certificate (Hauptschulabschluss)
Intermediate secondary school-leaving certificate (Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluss)
Upper secondary school-leaving certificate (Abitur)
8 How important is it to you to attain this school-leaving qualification?
impgrad

| Very important | ${ }_{1} \square$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Important | ${ }_{2} \square$ |
| Less important | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| Quite unimportant | ${ }_{4} \square$ |

9 And what do you think, what school-leaving qualification will you actually attain one day?
Please select one answer only.
Lower secondary school-leaving certificate (Hauptschulabschluss)
Intermediate secondary school-leaving certificate (Mittlere Reife, Realschulabschluss)
Upper secondary school-leaving certificate (Abitur)

Will leave school without a certificate

10 How interested are your parents in your performance at school?
Very interested
Moderately interested
Not so interested
Completely disinterested
11 Think about your timetable. Can you please indicate for each day of the week, from Monday to Friday, at what

This refers only to school, that is classes, AGs, free supervised time, lunch. Please do not include the time spent in after-school care if you go there!


12 Do you also have school on Saturday?
Here we are also referring just to school, that is, classes, AGs, free supervised time, lunch. Please do not include the time spent in after-school care if you go there!

13 What time does school start on Saturday and what time does it end?

| Time: | Saturday |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Hour | Minute |
| Start: |  |  |
| End: |  |  |

14 Now we want to know about where you go after school．How many hours do you spend there during the care13h week，in other words，how many hours altogether from Monday to Friday？And how many hours altogethe care14h on Saturday and Sunday？

菅 Please enter full hours only！If not applicable，please enter＂0＂！

|  | Total hours <br> Monday to <br> Friday | Total hours <br> Saturday and <br> Sunday |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| After－school care |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |

15 Where do you usually do your homework？
hwplace＿v2
宵 Please select one answer only．

| At home | ${ }_{1} \square$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| At school，in the after－school club | ${ }_{2} \square$ |
| In the youth center，community center | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| With relatives such as grandparents | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| With friends，neighbours | ${ }_{5} \square$ |
| Elsewhere | ${ }_{6} \square$ |
| I have no homework | ${ }_{7} \square$ |

16 How much time do you usually spend on your homework and studying for school？
hwduration
官 Please select one answer only．
Less than half an hour per day
A half hour to one hour per day
One to two hours per day
Two to three hours per day
Three to four hours per day
Four or more hours per day

17 How often do the following people help you with your homework or studying for school?
helphmwk1 helphmwk2
shaus11
helphmwk3
helphmwk4 helphmwk5 helphmwk6 helphmwk7

Please select one answer per line only.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Mother \& Never

$\square$ \& Seldom

$$
=\square^{2}=
$$ \& Sometimes

$$
=\square^{3}=
$$ \& Often

$$
=\square^{4}=
$$ \& Always

$$
=\square^{5}
$$ \& Person no present in my life

$\square$ <br>
\hline Father \& \& $\square$ \& $\square \square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline With same-sex parents: Second, social mother / father \& \& $\square$ \& $\square \square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline Grandparents \& \& $\square$ \& $\square \square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline Siblings \& \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& = \& $\square$ <br>
\hline Friends or classmates \& \& $\square$ \& $\square \square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline Paid tutoring \& \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline Homework supervision (for example, at school, youth center, community center) \& \& $\square$ \& $\square \square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ \& $\square$ <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

18 How often do you take part in the following recreational activities?
Please select one answer per line only.


19 Do you get allowance money or regular financial support from your parents or other relatives？
No $\square \rightarrow$ Continue with question 21

20 How much allowance do you get per week／per month？
allowpw
 euros per week
or
 euros per month

## 21 What would you say：How many close friends do you have？

frnds
宵 If not applicable，please enter＂0＂！
 Friends

## 22 We would like to know about your three best friends who you see regularly and who are around your age．

frnd1grad
frnd2grad frnd3grad

佗 Ifyou are not sure of the answers，state what you think．
If you don＇t have three friends，answer for one，two or none．

What school－leaving qualifications do your three best friends want to attain？
官 Please select only one answer per friend．

| Lower secondary school－leaving certificate（Hauptschulabschluss） | 1st friend $\square$ <br> 1 | 2nd friend $\square$ | 3rd friend ${ }_{1} \text { [ }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intermediate secondary school－leaving certificate （Mittlere Reife，Realschulabschluss） | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ |
| Upper secondary school－leaving certificate（Abitur） | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| Don＇t know | ${ }_{4} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| And how do you know your three best friends？ <br> Please select only one answer per friend． |  |  |  |
| Kindergarten | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{1} \square$ |
| Elemantary school | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ |
| Same class | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| Same school，but not same class | ${ }_{4} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| Neighborhood | ${ }_{5} \square$ | ${ }_{5} \square$ | ${ }_{5} \square$ |
| Family／Relatives | ${ }_{6} \square$ | ${ }_{6} \square$ | ${ }_{6} \square$ |
| Club | ，$\square$ | ${ }_{7} \square$ | ，$\square$ |
| Church／religious organization | $8 \square$ | $8 \square$ | $8 \square$ |
| Other | ${ }_{9} \square$ | ${ }_{9} \square$ | ${ }_{9} \square$ |

23 How often do your parents interfere with who you spend your time with or who your friends are?
frndspar

| Very often | ${ }_{1} \square$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Often | ${ }_{2} \square$ |
| Sometimes | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| Seldom | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| Never | ${ }_{5} \square$ |

24 Do you have older siblings?
siblings ${ }^{1} \square$
Yes
$\square$$\quad$ No $\quad \square \rightarrow$ Continue with question 26

25 Now we have a question about three of your older siblings.
sbsnam1 sbsnam2 sbsnam3

If you have more than three older siblings, please give the answers for the three oldest in order - i.e. the oldest brother or sister first. If you have fewer than three older siblings, give the answers for one or two. If you are not sure of the answers, state what you think.

Please also state the first name of the brother or sister:


26 Where and with whom does do you usually eat the following meals? If it's different on different days of the week, please state what is usually the case on weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
宴 When we talk about family, we mean everyone who lives here with you.
At home with the

whole family \begin{tabular}{c}
At home with <br>
part of the family

$\quad$

At home <br>
alone

 

Not at home <br>
(at school, daycare, <br>
friends/acquaintances, <br>
grandparents)

$\quad$

I usually <br>
miss this <br>
meal
\end{tabular}

| Weekdays: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Breakfast | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lunch | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Dinner | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Weekend: |  |  | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Breakfast | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Lunch | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Dinner | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

27 How tall are you (body height in cm )?
height 宿 Ifyou don't know, please estimate.


## 28 How many kilograms do you currently weigh?

weight 佗 Ifyou don't know, please estimate.


## Your Friends, Siblings, Parents

29 The next question is about how your friends, your siblings and your parents behave towards you.
sorrow1
sorrow2
Ifyou don't have one of these people in your life, for example, if you don't have any siblings, answer "person not present in my life"

How often do you turn to the following people when you have concerns?

| Friends | Very often $\square$ $\square$ | Often $=\square^{2}=$ | Sometime $=\square^{3}=$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Seldom } \\ & =\square \square^{4}= \end{aligned}$ | Never $=\square^{5}$ | Person not present in my life $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Siblings | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square \square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mother | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Father | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square \square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| With same-sex parents: Second, social mother / father | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

How often do the following people encourage or help you when something is important to you?

Person not present in my life

| Friends | $\square^{1}=\square^{2}=\square^{3}=\square^{4}=\square^{5}$ | my life $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Siblings | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mother | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |
| Father | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |

With same-sex parents:
Second, social mother / father
$\square=$


How often do the following people boss you around?
bossarnd1 bossarnd ossarnd bossarnd bossarnd svkom7

Very often Often Sometimes Seldom Never Person not present in

| Friends | $\square^{1}=\square^{2}=\square^{3}=\square^{4}=\square^{5}$ | my life $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Siblings | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mother | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |
| Father | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |
| With same-sex parents: Second, social mother / father | $\square=\square=\square=\square$ | $\square$ |

How often do the following people tell you that it is important that you do well at school, learn a lot?

| Friends | Very often $\square$ $\square=$ | Often $=\square^{2}=$ | Sometimes $=\square^{3}=$ | Seldom $=\square^{4}=$ | Never $=\square^{5}$ | Person not present in my life $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Siblings | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mother | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Father | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square \square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| With same-sex parents: Second, social mother / father | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square \square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

How often do you find yourself arguing with the following people?
quarrel1
quarrel2
quarrel3
quarrel4
sstr9
motivate1 motivate2 motivate3 motivate4 svlob7

| Friends | Very often $\square$ $\square$ | Often $=\square^{2}=$ | Sometimes $=\square^{3}=$ | Seldom $=\square^{4}=$ | Never $=\square^{5}$ | Person not present in my life $\square$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Siblings | $\square$ | $\square$ | = | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Mother | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Father | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square \square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| With same-sex parents: Second, social mother / father | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square=$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

30 There are a lot of different qualities that people can have-some are listed below. You will probably think that some of these describe you perfectly whereas others describe you partly or do not describe you at all. And with some of them you might be unsure or somewhere in between.

佗 Please answer on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means "Does not describe me at all" and 7 means "Describes me perfectly".


31 Are you generally a person who is willing to take risks or do you try to avoid taking risks?
菅 Please tick a box on the scale, where the value 0 means "Not at all willing to take risks" and the value 10 means "Very willing to take risks".


## At Home

32 At your home, do you have ...

|  | Yes | $\underset{2}{\text { No }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ... a desk all to yourself where you can do homework or study? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... a room for yourself? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... books that are all yours (except your school books)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |

## 33 At your home, do you have ...

hhfclts4
hhfclts5
hhfclts6
hhfclts7
hhfclts8

|  | Yes | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| ... learning software <br> (for example, for computer, tablet, console)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... books that are helpful for homework |  |  |
| (other than your school books)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... Classical literature (for example, books with poems)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... musical instruments (for example, piano)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ... works of art (for example, paintings)? | $\square$ | $\square$ |

34 Can you use the following devices at home? If so, also state whether you have these devices to yourself or
hhtech1a
hhtech1b whether you share them with other family members.


35 Does everyone who lives here in the household speak only German with you or do they also speak in another language?

Please select one answer only.
Always German
Sometimes another language besides German
Always another language
36 In conclusion, we would like to ask you how satisfied you are with your life in general.
宵 Please answer on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means "Completely dissatisfied" and 10 means "Completely satisfied".

How satisfied are you with your life, all things considered?


A Please state your date of birth.
gebt
gebm


Day


Month


Year

B Are you...
sex_n
... male
... female
... "divers"
C When did you finish filling out the questionnaire?
datt, datm datst, datmi

Date



Time:


D Approximately how long did it take you to complete this questionnaire?
dauer2
 Minutes

E Were other persons present while you were filling out the questionnaire?
宿 Please select all answers that apply.
$\left.\begin{array}{lr}\text { Yes, my father / my mother } & \square \\ \text { Yes, other person who is living in the same household } & \square \\ \text { Yes, other person who does not live in the same household } \begin{array}{l}\text { a }\end{array}\end{array}\right] \rightarrow$ Continue with question $F$
No
$\square \rightarrow$ End of questionnaire
F Did any of the aforementioned people bother you while you were filling out the questionnaire?
Yes
No

## Thank you for taking part.

Please give the completed questionnaire to our interviewer or send it back to infas in the enclosed postage-paid envelope:
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