In this booklet, you will find questions about yourself. Some questions ask for facts while other questions ask for your opinions.

Read each question carefully and respond as accurately as possible. You may ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to respond.

Some of the questions will be followed by a few possible choices indicated with a circle with a number in it. For these questions, shade in the circle with the response of your choice as shown in Examples 1, 2, and 3.

1

Do you go to school?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Yes --- ●

No -- ②

2

How often do you do these things?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

		↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
a)	I listen to music	①	②	●	④	⑤
b)	I talk with my friends	●	②	③	④	⑤
c)	I play sports	①	●	③	④	⑤

Indicate how much you agree with each of these statements.

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

↓   ↓   ↓   ↓

a)   Watching movies is fun -------------------① ----● ------③ ----- ④

b)   I like eating ice cream -------------------● ------② ------③ ----- ④

Read each question carefully, and pick the answer you think is best. Fill in the circle next to---0k8le

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When were you born?

A. *Fill in the circle next to the year you were born*

B. *Fill in the circle next to the month you were born*

Year		**Month**	
①	1985	①	January
②	1986	②	February
③	1987	③	March
④	1988	④	April
⑤	1989	⑤	May
⑥	1990	⑥	June
⑦	1991	⑦	July
⑧	1992	⑧	August
	Other		September
		1⑧	October
		1①	November
		1②	December

2

Are you a girl or a boy?

*Fill in **one** circle only*

Girl -- ①

Boy -- ②

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Do you have any of these items at your home?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

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A. What is the highest level of education completed by your mother (or stepmother or female guardian)?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Did not finish <ISCED 1> or did not
go to school --- ①

<ISCED 1> -- ②

<ISCED 2> -- ③

<ISCED 3> -- ④

<ISCED 4B> -- ⑤

<ISCED 5B> -- ⑥

<ISCED 5A, first degree> --------------------------------- ⑦

Beyond <ISCED 5A, first degree> ----------------------- ⑧

I don't know --

B. What is the highest level of education completed by your father (or stepfather or male guardian)?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Did not finish <ISCED 1> or did not
go to school --- ①

<ISCED 1> -- ②

<ISCED 2> -- ③

<ISCED 3> -- ④

<ISCED 4B> -- ⑤

<ISCED 5B> -- ⑥

<ISCED 5A, first degree> --------------------------------- ⑦

Beyond <ISCED 5A, first degree> ----------------------- ⑧

I don't know --

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How far in school do you expect to go?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Finish <ISCED 3> --- ①

Finish <ISCED 4B> -- ②

Finish <ISCED 5B> -- ③

Finish <ISCED 5A, first degree> -------------------------------------- ④

Beyond <ISCED 5A, first degree> ------------------------------------ ⑤

I don't know --- ⑥

How much do you agree with these statements about learning mathematics?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) I usually do well in mathematics ------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

b) I would like to take more
    mathematics in school ------------------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

c) Mathematics is more difficult for me
    than for many of my classmates -------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

d) I enjoy learning mathematics ----------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

e) Sometimes, when I do not initially
    understand a new topic in
    mathematics, I know that I will
    never really understand it --------------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

f) Mathematics is not one of
    my strengths -------------------------------- ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

g) I learn things quickly in mathematics ① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

How much do you agree with these statements about learning science?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) I usually do well in science ---------------① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

b) I would like to take more science
in school --------------------------------------① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

c) Science is more difficult for me
than for many of my classmates --------① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

d) I enjoy learning science ------------------① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

e) Sometimes, when I do not initially
understand a new topic in science,
I know that I will never really
understand it --------------------------------① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

f) Science is not one of my strengths -----① ------ ② ------ ③ ----- ④

How much do you agree with these statements about science?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

A. Do you ever use a computer? (Do not include PlayStation®, GameCube®, XBox®, or other TV/video game computers).

*Fill in **one** circle onl* ------------------- ① ------ ②

*If **No**, please go to q estion **15*** ➡

B. Where do you use a computer?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) At home ------------------------------------ ① ------ ②

b) At school ----------------------------------- ① ------ ②

c) At a library -------------------------------- ① ------ ②

d) At a friend's home ------------------------ ① ------ ②

e) At an Internet café ------------------------ ① ------ ②

f) Elsewhere ---------------------------------- ① ------ ②

C. How often do you do these things with a computer?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) I l905.185 l500.913 205.185 lf* EMCBTBsp)

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How much do you agree with these statements about your school?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) I like being in school ----------------------①------②------③-----④

b) I think that students in my school
    try to do their best------------------------①------②------③-----④

c) I think that teachers in my school
    care about the students -------------------①------②------③-----④

d) I think that teachers in my school
    want students to do their best ----------①------②------③-----④

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In school, did any of these things happen during the last month?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

a) Something of mine was stolen ----------①------②

b) I was hit or hurt by other student(s)
    (e.g., shoving, hitting, kicking) ----------①------②

c) I was made to do things I didn't
    want to do by other students ------------①------②

d) I was made fun of or called names -----①------②

e) I was left out of activities by other
    students-------------------------------------①------②

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On a normal school day, how much time do you spend before or after school doing each of these things?

*Fill in **one** circle for each line*

			1	1-2	2 4	4
a)	I watch television and videos	①	②	③	④	⑤
b)	I play computer games	①	②	③	④	⑤
c)	I play or talk with friends	①	②	③	④	⑤
d)	I do jobs at home	①	②	③	④	⑤
e)	I work at a paid job	①	②	③	④	⑤
f)	I play sports	①	②	③	④	⑤
g)	I read a book for enjoyment	①	②	③	④	⑤
h)	I use the internet	①	②	③	④	⑤
i)	I do homework	①	②	③	④	⑤

A. During this school year, how often have you had extra lessons or tutoring in mathematics that is not part of your regular class?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Every or almost every day --------------------- ①

Once or twice a week -------------------------- ②

Sometimes ------------------------------------- ③

Never or almost never------------------------- ④

B. During this school year, how often have you had extra lessons or tutoring in science that is not part of your regular class?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Every or almost every day --------------------- ①

Once or twice a week -------------------------- ②

Sometimes ------------------------------------- ③

Never or almost never------------------------- ④

A. How often does your teacher give you homework in science?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Every day --- ①

3 or 4 times a week ------------------------------ ②

1 or 2 times a week ------------------------------ ③

Less than once a week ------------------------- ④

Never --- ⑤

*If **Never**, please go to question **21***

B. When your teacher gives you science homework, about how many minutes are you usually given?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Fewer than 15 minutes ------------------------ ①

15–30 minutes ------------------------------------- ②

31–60 minutes ------------------------------------- ③

61–90 minutes ------------------------------------- ④

More than 90 minutes ------------------------- ⑤

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Including yourself, how many people live in your home?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

2 --- ②

3 --- ③

4 --- ④

5 --- ⑤

6 --- ⑥

7 --- ⑦

8 or more --- ⑧⑦

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A. Were you born in <country>?

*Fill in **one** circle onl* ------------------ ① ------ ②

*If **Yes**, o ha e completed the q estionnaire* ●

B. If you were not born in <country>, how old were you when you came to <country>?

*Fill in **one** circle onl*

Older than 10 years old ------------------------ ①

5 to 10 years old---------------------------------- ②

Younger than 5 years old --------------------- ③

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