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TRANSITIONS IN SCHOOL LIFE  
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Other kids prefer easy work that they are sure they can do.  
BUT  
Other kids would rather find a way to figure it out by themselves.  
BUT  
Other kids don't like to do problems because they are trying to figure out difficult problems.  
BUT  
Other kids would rather make the right answer than some kids make a mistake they would rather figure out the right answer by themselves.  
BUT  
Other kids don't agree with the teacher some times and stick to their own opinion.  
BUT  
Other kids think it's better to do things that the teacher thinks they should be learning.  
BUT  
Other kids keep trying to figure out the problem on their own.  
BUT  
Other kids would rather stick to the assignments which are pretty easy to do.  
BUT  
Other kids like to have their own plans for what to do next.

Some kids like hard work because it is a challenge.  
BUT  
When some kids don't understand something they want the teacher to tell them the answer.  
BUT  
Some kids like difficult problems because they enjoy trying to figure them out.  
BUT  
Other kids would rather make the right answer than some kids make a mistake they would rather figure out the right answer by themselves.  
BUT  
Some kids agree with the teacher because they think the teacher is right about most things.  
BUT  
Some kids like to learn things on their own that interest them.  
BUT  
Some kids get stuck on a problem they see the answer for it.  
BUT  
Some kids like to do on their own that is at a more difficult level.  
BUT  
Some kids like the teacher to help them when they get stuck on a problem.

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How much do you weigh?

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How tall are you?

\_\_\_\_\_ feet and \_\_\_\_\_ inches

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Math

In general, how hard is math for you?

1 very easy 2 3 4 5 6 very hard

Compared to other students your age, how much time do you have to spend working on your math assignments?

1 much less time 2 3 4 5 6 much more time 7

Compared to most other school subjects you have taken or are taking, how hard is math for you?

1 my easiest course 2 3 4 5 6 7 my hardest course

Some kids spend time doing math games or activities. Some of the math games and activities kids have told us about are making models of circles, tracing maps, playing Monopoly, and playing with computers or a Rubik's Cube.

Outside of the time you spend at school, or doing school work, how often do you do math games or activities just because you want to?

1 never 2 3 4 5 6 7 very often

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Some kids think that the teacher should decide what work they should do. BUT Other kids think that the teacher is the best one to decide when to work on things. BUT Other kids like difficult schoolwork because they find it more interesting. BUT Some kids like to do their schoolwork without help. BUT Other kids like to have the teacher help them do their schoolwork. BUT Some kids feel that there are a lot of things about themselves that they would change if they could. BUT Other kids are not very sure of themselves. BUT Some kids are really happy about the way they were doing the way they are doing. BUT Other kids think the way they do things is fine. BUT Some kids aren't very happy with the way they do most of things. BUT Other kids aren't sure that what they are doing is the right thing. BUT Some kids are usually sure that what they are doing is the right thing.

Sort of true for me  
Sort of true for me  
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Sort of true for me

If you didn't have other things you had to do, how much time would you spend doing math games or activities?

V5301 a lot less time than I do now 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 2:46

Do you spend as much time as you do in math (Check one answer.)

V5302 1) because you have to in order to finish the work. 2) because you just like doing math. 2:47

Would you take more math if you didn't have to? (Check one answer.)

V5303 1) I very definitely would take more math. 2) I probably would take more math. 3) Maybe I would take more math. 4) I'm not sure. 5) Maybe, but not that likely. 6) I probably would not take any more math. 7) I very definitely would not take any more math. 2:48

How much do you like your math teacher?

V5304 not very much 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 2:49

I get nervous if I have to explain my answer in math in front of the other students.

V5305 not at all true of me 1 not too true of me 2 somewhat true of me 3 very true of me 4 2:50

When the teacher calls on me in math I think about how the other kids are looking at me.

V5306 not at all true of me 1 not too true of me 2 somewhat true of me 3 very true of me 4 2:51

I feel very embarrassed if the teacher corrects my answer in front of the other students in math.

V5307 not at all true of me 1 not too true of me 2 somewhat true of me 3 very true of me 4 2:52

I don't like the teacher to call on me in math because I wonder what the other kids are thinking about me.

V5308 not at all true of me 1 not too true of me 2 somewhat true of me 3 very true of me 4 2:53

How upset do you think your parents would be if you got a low mark in math?

V5309 not very upset 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very upset 7 2:54

How important is it to your parents for you to do well in math?

V5310 not at all important 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very important 7 2:55

Families

All in all, it is better for the family if the husband provides most of the family's money and the wife takes care of the home and the family.

V5311 strongly disagree 1, disagree 2, agree 3, strongly agree 4, 2:56

It is okay for mothers of babies and young children to have a full time career.

V5312 strongly disagree 1, disagree 2, agree 3, strongly agree 4, 2:57

Babies and young children need to have their mothers around most of the day.

V5313 strongly disagree 1, disagree 2, agree 3, strongly agree 4, 2:58

Women are better wives and mothers if they also have a paid job outside the home.

V5314 strongly disagree 1, disagree 2, agree 3, strongly agree 4, 2:59

My parents want me to follow their directions even if I disagree with their reasons.

V5315 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:60

My parents worry that I am up to something they won't like.

V5316 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:61

I have to ask my parents for permission to do most things.

V5317 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:62

My parents trust me to do what they expect without checking up on me.

V5318 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:63

My parents get upset if I disagree with them when their friends are around.

V5319 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:64

I do not know why I am supposed to do what my parents tell me to do.

V5320 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:65

I count on my parents to solve many of my problems for me.

V5321 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:66

I have a lot of fights with my parents about their rules and decisions for me.

V5322 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:67

My parents treat me more like a little kid than like an adult.

V5323 never true 1, sometimes true 2, usually true 3, always true 4, 2:68

English

How we're going to ask you some questions about the schoolwork you do that involves the English language. This includes spelling, reading, and writing.

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- 1) My parents let me just what to do.
- 2) My parents ask me how I feel and then they decide.
- 3) My parents tell me how they feel and then I decide.
- 4) My parents let me decide.

How do you think most decisions should be made in your family? (Check one answer.)

- 1) My parents should let me just what to do.
- 2) My parents should ask me how I feel and then they should decide.
- 3) My parents should tell me how they feel and then I should decide.
- 4) My parents should let me decide.

How often do you take part in making family decisions that concern yourself? (Check one answer.)

- 1) Never
- 2) Seldom
- 3) Often
- 4) Always

How often should you take part in making family decisions that concern yourself? (Check one answer.)

- 1) Never
- 2) Seldom
- 3) Often
- 4) Always

My parents are: (Check one answer.)

- 1) Very strict
- 2) Strict
- 3) A little strict
- 4) Not at all strict

My parents encourage me to give my ideas and opinions even if we might disagree.

- never true
- sometimes true
- usually true
- always true

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In general, I find working on English assignments

very boring	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very interesting

For me, being good at English is

not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very important

How much do you like doing English?

a little	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	a lot

Is the amount of effort it will take to do well in English this year worthwhile to you?

not very worthwhile	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very worthwhile

How useful do you think the English you are learning will be for what you want to do after you graduate and go to work?

not at all useful	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very useful

In general, how useful is what you learn in English?

not at all useful	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very useful

How good at English are you?

not at all good	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very good

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If you were to rank all the students in your English class from the worst to the best in English, where would you put yourself?

V5337 the worst 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 the best 3:33

How much time do you spend on English homework? (Check one answer.)

V5338 1) less than 15 minutes a day 2) 15 to 30 minutes a day 3) 30 minutes to an hour a day 4) an hour or more a day 3:34

Would you take more English if you didn't have to? (Check one answer.)

V5339 1) I very definitely would take more English. 2) I probably would take more English. 3) Maybe I would take more English. 4) I'm not sure. 5) Maybe, but not that likely. 6) I probably would not take any more English. 7) I very definitely would not take any more English. 3:35

How have you been doing in English this year?

V5340 very poorly 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very well 3:36

When taking an English test I have studied for, I do

V5341 very poorly 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very well 3:37

How successful do you think you'd be in a career that required English ability?

V5342 not very successful 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very successful 3:38

How well do you think you will do in English this year?

V5343 not at all well 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very well 3:39

What mark do you think you'll get in English this year?

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Anyone can be good at English if they work hard enough.

V5345 not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4 3:42

Anyone could do well in English if they really wanted to.

V5346 not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4 3:43

I can be good at any type of English if I work on it hard enough.

V5347 not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4 3:44

I could learn to do any type of English assignment if I really wanted to.

V5348 not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4 3:45

I like to know how my English ability compares to other students in my English class.

V5349 not at all true 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very true 3:46

Being better in English than other students in my classroom is important to me.

V5350  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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I compare how hard I try in English to how hard other students try in my classroom.

V5351  
never 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very often  
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Trying harder in English than other students in my classroom is important to me.

V5352  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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I am doing as well in English as my parents want me to do.

V5353  
not very true of me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very true of me  
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I am doing as well in English as my teacher wants me to do.

V5354  
not very true of me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very true of me  
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When my teacher corrects my work in English, I like to see if my work has improved.

V5355  
not very true of me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very true of me  
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Being better in English than I have done before is important to me.

V5356  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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Trying harder in English than I have tried before is important to me.

V5357  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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I compare how hard I try in English now to how hard I have tried before.

V5358  
never 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very often  
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I look at other students' English work to see what the right answer is.

V5359  
never 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very often  
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I look at other students' English work to see how to do the work.

V5360  
never 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very often  
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Doing the best I can in English is important to me.

V5361  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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I try to do the best I can in English.

V5362  
not much of the time 1 2 3 4 5 6 all of the time  
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Trying as hard as I can in English is important to me.

V5363  
strongly disagree 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 strongly agree  
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In general, how hard is English for you?

V5364  
very easy 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very hard  
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Compared to other students your age, how much time do you have to spend working on your English assignments?

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much less time	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	much more time
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Compared to most other school subjects you have taken or are taking, how hard is English for you?

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How upset do you think your parents would be if you got a low mark in English?

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not very upset	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very upset
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How important is it to your parents for you to do well in English?

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not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very important
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Do you ever compare yourself with your classmates in English? (Check one answer.)

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1) Yes  
 2) No

If you checked no, skip right to page 16. Do not answer the last 3 questions on this page.

If you checked yes, please continue with the questions on this page.

Kids decide to compare themselves with their classmates for different reasons. How important are the following reasons for you when you make comparisons in your English class?

I make comparisons to see if I'm doing better than another student.

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not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very important
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I make comparisons to see if I'm doing worse than another student.

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not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very important
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I make comparisons to see how good I am.

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not at all important	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	very important
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Continue here if you don't compare yourself with your classmates in English.

Kids decide not to compare themselves with their classmates for different reasons. How important are the following reasons for you when you decide not to make comparisons in your English class?

I don't make comparisons because I think that would embarrass other kids.

not at all important 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very important

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I don't make comparisons because I would feel embarrassed.

not at all important 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very important

V5377

I don't make comparisons because I don't think that would tell me how good I am at English.

not at all important 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very important

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Sports

How hard do you have to work to be good at sports?

a little 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 a lot

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Compared to other students your age, how hard do you have to try to be good at sports?

much less 1 2 3 4 5 6 much more 7

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How difficult is it for you to be good at sports?

very easy 1 2 3 4 5 6 very hard 7

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People who do very well at sports, probably can't do anything to get any better.

not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4

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Anyone could be a good athlete if they really wanted to be.

not at all true 1 not very true 2 sort of true 3 very true 4

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How good at sports are my parents when I was a kid?

not very true of me 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very true of me

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How upset would you be if you were not doing as well in sports as you thought you could do?

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not at all  
upset  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very upset

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I feel good when I can do something in a sport that I was not able to do before.

15397  
not very true of me  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very true of me

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Doing better in sports than I have done before is important to me.

15398  
strongly disagree  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
strongly agree

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Doing the best I can in sports is important to me.

15399  
strongly disagree  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
strongly agree

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I like to know how my ability in sports compares to other students in my grade.

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not at all true  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very true

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I compare how hard I try in sports to how hard other students try in my grade.

15401  
never  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very often

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Trying harder in sports than other students in my grade is important to me.

15402  
strongly disagree  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
strongly agree

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In general, how would you compare the athletic ability of boys and girls? (Check one answer.)

- 1) Girls are much better than boys.
- 2) Girls are somewhat better than boys.
- 3) Girls and boys are the same.
- 4) Boys are somewhat better than girls.
- 5) Boys are much better than girls.

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Friends

How good are you at making friends?

not at all good  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very good

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How popular are you in school?

not at all popular  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very popular

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If you were to rank all the students in your class from the least to the most popular, where would you put yourself?

the least popular  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
the most popular

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How much do you like doing things with your friends?

a little  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
a lot

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For me, making friends is

not at all important  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very important

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For me, being popular is

not at all important  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
very important

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Outside of school time, how much time do you spend doing things with your friends? (check one answer.)

- 1) 3 hours or more a day
- 2) 2 hours a day
- 3) 1 hour a day
- 4) less than 1 hour a day
- 5) I rarely spend time with friends outside of school.

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How much time do you spend making sure you look OK? (Check one answer.)

- 1) less than 15 minutes a day
- 2) 15 to 30 minutes a day
- 3) 30 minutes to an hour a day
- 4) an hour or more a day

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How much do you enjoy getting dressed up and looking good?

not at all 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very much

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How important is it to your parents that you be popular?

not at all 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very important

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How hard is it for you to make friends?

very easy 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 very hard

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Compared to other kids your age, how difficult is it for you to make friends?

much less 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 much more difficult

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Compared to other kids your age, how much time do you spend with your friends?

much less time 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 much more time

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Thank you for your participation!

