

Interviewer Number (last 6 digits of student number) _____

Hello, my name is __[FIRST NAME ONLY]__, and I'm a student at Louisiana State University, here in Baton Rouge. I'm participating in a survey as part of a class project in sociology...I'm not selling anything. For this survey, I'd like to speak with the person in your household who had the last birthday and who is 18 or older. May I speak to this person?

[IF R IS THIS PERSON, CONTINUE WITH INTRO; IF ANOTHER R COMES TO PHONE, INTRODUCE YOURSELF AGAIN AND CONTINUE]

I'd like to ask you some questions about issues that people have been talking about in Baton Rouge, like jobs, family, safety, and other things. We are conducting this survey for our class work and for academic research. Of course, any answers you give are completely confidential, and you are free to refuse to answer any question or to end the interview at any time. If you would like to verify that this really is a class project, I can give you my professor's phone number at LSU.

[IF RESPONDENT WANTS PHONE NUMBER, GIVE RESPONDENT SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBER, 578-1645, AND TELL THEM THAT THE SURVEY IS FOR SOCIOLOGY 2211, SECTION 1. DO NOT VOLUNTEER THIS INFORMATION UNLESS RESPONDENT REQUESTS IT, BUT MOVE ON WITH THE SURVEY.]

May we begin the interview? [RECORD YES ____ OR NO ____]

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1. First, may I ask, In what year were you born?
[RECORD YEAR; IF NO ANSWER, ENTER 99] _____
2. [IF UNSURE ASK]: Are you male or female?
 1. Male
 2. Female
3. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?
 1. Most people can be trusted
 2. Can't be too careful
 3. Other, depends (Volunteered)
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

4. In a time of crisis, such as a natural disaster or economic trouble, who would you trust most to help you? [READ EACH ANSWER]
1. The Government
 2. Your Church
 3. Family and friends
 4. Find means within yourself
 5. Other (vol.)
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
5. Now I am going to read you a list of institutions in American society. Please tell me how much confidence you, yourself, have in each one - a great deal, quite a lot, some, or very little?
- ___ A The Church or organized religion
- ___ B The Presidency
- ___ C The U.S. Senate
- ___ D The U.S. House of Representatives
- ___ E The US Supreme Court
- ___ F Newspapers
- ___ G Television news
- ___ H The Military
- ___ I The Police
- ___ J City government
1. A great deal
 2. Quite a lot
 3. Some
 4. Very little
 5. None (Volunteered)
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

6. I'm going to read you various areas of government spending. Please indicate whether you would like to see more or less government spending in each area. Remember that if you say "much more", it might require a tax increase to pay for it.

- ___ A The environment
- ___ B Health
- ___ C The police and law enforcement
- ___ D Education
- ___ E The military and defense
- ___ F Retirement benefits
- ___ G Unemployment benefits
- ___ H Culture and the arts

- 1. Spend much more
- 2. Spend more
- 3. Spend the same as now
- 4. Spend less
- 5. Spend much less
- 9 Don't know, No answer

7. What do you think is the ideal number of children for a family to have?

- 0 None
- 1. One
- 2. Two
- 3. Three
- 4. Four
- 5. Five
- 6. Six
- 7. Seven or more
- 8. As many as you want
- 9 Don't know, No answer

2. Do you agree or disagree... Families should receive financial benefits for child care when both parents work.

- 1. Strongly agree
- 2. Agree
- 3. Neither agree nor disagree
- 4. Disagree
- 5. Strongly disagree
- 9 Don't know, No answer

3. When a marriage is troubled and unhappy, do you think it is generally better for the children if the couple stays together or gets divorced?
 1. Much better to divorce
 2. Better to divorce
 3. Worse to divorce
 4. Much worse to divorce
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

4. Please tell me whether or not you think it should be possible for a pregnant woman to obtain a legal abortion if...

___ A If the woman's own health is seriously endangered by the pregnancy?
___ B If the family has a very low income and cannot afford any more children?
___ C If the woman wants it for any reason?

 1. Yes
 2. No
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

5. Would you say that job opportunities are, in general, better or worse for women than for men with similar education and experience? Would you say they are much better, better, the same, worse, or much worse?
 1. Much better
 2. Better
 3. No difference
 4. Worse
 5. Much worse
 - 9 Can't choose; No answer

6. Is there any area right around here - that is, within a mile - where you would be afraid to walk alone at night?
 1. Yes
 2. No
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

7. Do you favor or oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?
 1. Favor
 2. Oppose
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

8. Which punishment do you prefer for people convicted of murder: the death penalty or life in prison with no chance of parole?
 1. Death Penalty
 2. Life In Prison
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

9. Do you feel that executing people who commit murder deters others from committing murder, or do you think such executions don't have much effect?"
 1. Deters Others
 2. Not Much Effect
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

10. In general, do you think the courts in this area deal too harshly or not harshly enough with criminals?
 1. Too harshly
 2. Not harshly enough
 3. About right (Vol.)
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

11. How important you think a person's race is for getting ahead in life?
 1. Essential
 2. Very important
 3. Fairly important
 4. Not very important
 5. Not important at all
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

12. If you honestly assessed yourself, would you say that you have at least some racist feelings?
 1. Yes
 2. No
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

13. Some people say that when the experience of a racial or ethnic minority group is taught in high school or college, it should be taught by a teacher from that group. Do you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree?
 1. Strongly agree
 2. Agree
 3. Neither agree nor disagree
 4. Disagree
 5. Strongly disagree
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

14. Do you think being homosexual is something people choose to be, or do you think it is something they cannot change?
 1. Something people choose to be
 2. Something they cannot change
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

15. In general, do you think gays and lesbians should or should not be allowed to be legally married?
 1. Should
 2. Should not
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

16. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement: There is nothing inherently wrong with prostitution, so long as the health risks can be minimized. If consenting adults agree to exchange money for sex, that is their business
1. Agree strongly
 2. Agree somewhat
 3. Disagree somewhat
 4. Disagree strongly
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
17. Do you think the United States should pay reparations for slavery, that is, pay money to African-Americans who are descendants of slaves?
1. Yes
 2. No
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
18. Should the main purpose of prison be punishment or rehabilitation?
1. Punishment
 2. Rehabilitation
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
19. Next I'd like to ask you a couple questions about television and newspapers. How many days in the past week did you read a daily newspaper?
- ___ [VALID RANGE 0-7]
- 8 Don't know
 - 9 Refused
20. How many hours per day do you spend watching TV (television) on an average weekday, that is Monday through Friday? [IF RESPONSE IS 12 OR GREATER, ENTER 12]
- ___ [VALID RANGE 0-12]
- 98 Don't know
 - 99 Refused
21. On how many days in the last month did you consume an alcoholic beverage, that is beer, wine or liquor?
- _____ days
22. Think back over the last two weeks. How many times have you had five or more drinks at a sitting where a "drink" is a bottle of beer, a glass of wine, a wine cooler, a shot glass of liquor, or a mixed drink?
- _____ times

Now I just have a few questions about your household and your background.

23. Do you consider yourself to be: [READ RESPONSE OPTIONS]
1. White
 2. Black
 3. Asian
 4. American Indian
 5. Other

 6. Don't Know (vol.)
 7. NA
24. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
1. Yes
 2. No
 9. No answer/Don't know
25. Are you currently married, living with a partner, separated, divorced, widowed, or have you never been married?
1. Married
 2. Living with partner
 3. Separated
 4. Divorced
 5. Widowed
 6. Single, never married
 7. Don't Know
 8. NA
26. Do you have children? How many?
0. None
 1. One
 2. Two
 3. Three
 4. Four or more
 5. Other answer
 6. NA

27. What is the highest grade of schooling that you have completed? [READ RESPONSES IF NECESSARY]
1. 8th Grade or less
 2. Some high school
 3. High School Diploma
 4. Vocational/Technical school
 5. Some College
 6. College degree
 7. Some graduate school
 8. Graduate degree
 9. Don't Know
 10. NA
28. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, or no religion?
1. Protestant [ASK A]
 2. Catholic
 3. Jewish
 4. Other [SPECIFY IN B]
 5. None [SKIP TO Question 31]
 8. Don't Know
 9. NA
- A What specific denomination is that, if any? [PROBE FOR EXACT DENOMINATION]
- _____
- B [RECORD OTHER] _____
29. Are you a member of a local church, synagogue, or other religious or spiritual community?
1. Yes
 2. No
 8. Don't know
 9. Refused
30. Not including weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? [IF NECESSARY PROBE WITH CATEGORIES]
1. Every week (or more often)
 2. Almost every week
 3. Once or twice a month
 4. A few times per year
 5. Less often than that
 8. Don't know
 9. Refused

31. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or what?
1. Republican [ASK B]
 2. Democrat [ASK B]
 3. Independent [ASK C]
 4. Other [SPECIFY AND ASK C]
 5. No Preference [ASK C]
- B [IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT] Would you call yourself a strong (Republican/Democrat) or not a very strong (Republican/Democrat)?
1. Strong
 2. Not very strong
- C [IF INDEPENDENT, NO PREFERENCE, OR OTHER] Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?
- 1 Republican
 - 2 Democratic
 - 3 Neither
32. Who did you vote for in the 2000 Presidential election?
1. George W. Bush
 2. Al Gore
 3. Someone else [Volunteered]
 4. Didn't vote
 - 9 Don't remember, No Answer, Refused
33. We hear a lot of talk these days about liberals and conservatives. Would you call yourself [READ ANSWER CATEGORIES]:
1. Extremely Liberal
 2. Liberal
 3. Slightly Liberal
 4. Moderate, middle of the road
 5. Slightly Conservative
 6. Conservative
 7. Extremely Conservative
 8. Don't Know
 9. NA
34. What is your Zip Code?
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[INTERVIEW IS COMPLETE IF YOU REACH THIS POINT]

35. Just one more question: I'm going to read you a series of income categories. Please stop me when I get to the category that includes the total income that you and all other members of your household earned before taxes during 2001, from all sources.

1. Under \$5,000
2. Under \$10,000
3. Under \$15,000
4. Under \$25,000
5. Under \$35,000
6. Under \$50,000
7. Under \$75,000
8. More than \$75,000

9. Don't Know
10. No Response

This concludes the interview. Thank you for participating in this survey and giving so generously of your time.

[INTERVIEWER: Please answer the questions on the next page]

36. Was the respondent cooperative

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

37. Did the respondent seem to answer all of the questions in a satisfactory manner?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

38. Were there any questions the respondent had any trouble understanding?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

[BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PROBLEM]

39. Did the respondent seem to be impaired?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes

40. Respondent's city (from sample form) _____

41. Respondent's FIPS code (from sample form) _____

Check here when you have recorded on the sample form that the interview is complete ____

INTERVIEWER: WHICH NUMBER INTERVIEW IS THIS FOR YOU OF THE 10 ASSIGNED (OR MORE, IF EXTRA CREDIT)? _____

[ENTER ANY EXTRA COMMENTS IF NECESSARY]