

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 FULL YEAR (e.g., 1967); IF NO ANSWER, ENTER 9999]\_\_\_\_\_
2. 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
3. Do you think of yourself as a trusting person? Are you...
  1. Very trusting
  2. Somewhat trusting
  3. Somewhat distrusting
  4. Very distrusting
  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. Next, we'd like to know how much you trust different groups of people. First, think about (GROUP). Generally speaking, would you say that you can trust them a lot, some, only a little, or not at all?
- \_\_\_ A People in your neighborhood
- \_\_\_ B (How about) People you work with
- \_\_\_ C People at your church or place of worship
- \_\_\_ D People who work in the stores where you shop
- \_\_\_ E The local news media
- \_\_\_ F The police in your local community
- \_\_\_ G (How about) White people
- \_\_\_ H What about African Americans or Blacks?
- \_\_\_ I What about Asian people?
- \_\_\_ J How about Hispanics or Latinos?
- \_\_\_ K City government
- \_\_\_ L Grade and high school teachers
- \_\_\_ M Congressmen
- \_\_\_ N Medical doctors
- \_\_\_ O Journalists
- \_\_\_ P Clergy
1. Trust them a lot
  2. Trust them some
  3. Trust them only a little
  4. Trust them not at all
  5. (VOLUNTEERED) Does not apply
  - 8 Don't Know
  - 9 Refused
- (CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

6. Which do you think should be a greater priority for the Bush Administration - maintaining economic growth or restoring moral and family values?
  1. Maintaining economic growth
  2. Restoring moral and family values
  3. Both (volunteered)
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
7. There's been a lot of discussion about the way morals and attitudes about sex are changing in this country. If a man and woman have sex relations before marriage, do you think it is always wrong, almost always wrong, wrong only sometimes, or not wrong at all?
  1. Always wrong
  2. Almost always wrong
  3. Wrong only sometimes
  4. Not wrong at all
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
8. 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
  
9. Suppose a close relative or family member were marrying an Asian person? Would you favor it happening, oppose it, or neither favor nor oppose it happening?  
  
\_\_\_ A An Asian person?  
\_\_\_ B (How about marrying an) African-American or Black person?  
\_\_\_ C (How about marrying a) White person?  
\_\_\_ D (How about marrying a) Latino or Hispanic person?  
  
  1. Favor
  2. Neither favor nor oppose
  3. Oppose
  9. Don't know, Refused
  
10. Would you yourself have any objection to sending your children to a school where half of the children are Whites and half are Blacks/African- Americans?
  1. Yes
  2. No
  9. Don't know, No answer

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Catholic Church is handling the issue of sexual abuse of children by priests? (If Approve/Disapprove, ask:) Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?
  1. Approve strongly
  2. Approve somewhat
  3. Disapprove strongly
  4. Disapprove somewhat
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
12. Please tell me how important you think it is for getting ahead in life - Being born a man or a woman - how important is that 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
  
13. It has been reported that some police officers stop motorists of certain racial or ethnic groups because the officers believe that these groups are more likely than others to commit certain types of crimes. Do you believe that this practice, known as 'racial profiling,' is widespread, or not?
  1. Is widespread
  2. Is not widespread
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
14. Do you approve or disapprove of the use of 'racial profiling' by police?
  1. Approve
  2. Disapprove
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
15. Now I'm going to read you several statements. Do you agree strongly, agree somewhat, neither agree nor disagree, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with each of the following statements? People we elect to Congress try to keep the promises they have made during the election
  1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
  9. Don't know, No answer

16. ...Irish, Italians, Jewish and many other minorities overcame prejudice and worked their way up. Blacks should do the same without special favors.
  1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
17. ...Under the First Amendment guaranteeing free speech, people should be allowed to express their own opinions even if they are harmful or offensive to members of other religious or racial groups.
  1. Agree strongly
  2. Agree somewhat
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree somewhat
  5. Disagree strongly
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
18. Do you think the police should or should not be allowed to collect DNA information from suspected criminals, similar to how they take fingerprints?
  1. Should
  2. Should not
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
19. 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
  
20. Do you favor or oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?
  1. Favor
  2. Oppose
  9. Don't know, No answer
  
21. You may have heard recent news stories from Illinois about the death penalty. Several prisoners on death row were found to have been wrongly convicted and were released. The Illinois governor said that other convictions might also be unreliable, and he commuted all death sentences to life imprisonment. Had you heard this news?
  1. Yes
  2. No
  9. Don't know, No answer

22. Do you think some death row inmates in Louisiana might also have been wrongly convicted?
1. Yes
  2. No
  9. Don't know, No answer
23. Do you think the governor should commute all death sentences to life imprisonment in Louisiana?
1. Yes
  2. No
  9. Don't know, No answer
24. Have you heard news stories about the serial killer in Baton Rouge and nearby communities?
1. Yes [Go on to question 25]
  2. No [Go on to question 26]
  9. Don't know, No answer
25. [If yes] Have these news stories made you feel more concerned about your own safety?
1. Yes
  2. No
  9. Don't know, No answer
26. Now I have some questions related to the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon that took place September 11th 2001. We'd like your opinion of some things that have been done--or might be done--to improve security and protect against terrorism in the United States. What about using race, religion, or ethnicity as a factor in determining who is a suspected terrorist? Please tell me if you strongly favor it, are willing to accept it if necessary, or think it goes too far.
1. Strongly favor
  2. Willing to accept
  3. Goes too far
  9. Don't know, No answer
27. If the United States takes military action against Iraq, do you think the threat of terrorism against the United States will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?
1. Increase
  2. Decrease
  3. Same
  9. Don't know, No answer
28. 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

29. 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

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

30. [IF UNSURE ASK]: Are you male or female?

1. Male

2. Female

31. 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

32. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

1. Yes

2. No

9 No answer/Don't know

33. 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

34. Do you have children? How many?

0 None

1. One

2. Two

3. Three

4. Four or more

5. Other answer

6. NA

35. What is the highest grade of schooling that you have completed? [READ RESPONSES IF NECESSARY]

1. 8<sup>th</sup> 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

36. 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 39]
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 NA

A What specific denomination is that, if any? [PROBE FOR EXACT DENOMINATION]

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B [RECORD OTHER]\_\_\_\_\_

37. 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

38. 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



39. 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
40. 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
41. 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
42. What is your Zip Code?
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[INTERVIEW IS COMPLETE IF YOU REACH THIS POINT]

43. 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 2002, 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]

44. Was the respondent cooperative

1. No
2. Yes

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

1. No
2. Yes

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

1. No
2. Yes

[BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PROBLEM]

47. Did the respondent seem to be impaired?

1. No
2. Yes

48. Respondent's city (from sample form) \_\_\_\_\_

49. 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 12 ASSIGNED (OR MORE, IF EXTRA CREDIT)? \_\_\_\_\_

[ENTER ANY EXTRA COMMENTS IF NECESSARY]