

Interviewer Number (last 6 digits of student number) \_\_\_\_\_

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ [FIRST NAME ONLY] \_\_\_\_\_, and I'm a student at Louisiana State University, LSU, 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 have questions about this survey, you may contact the LSU Sociology Department, at 578-1645. If you have questions about respondents' rights, you may contact Dennis Landin, Chairman of the LSU Institutional Review Board, at 578-8692.

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

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1. 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)
  4. Don't know, No answer
  
2. 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 police in your local community
  - F. People outside your neighborhood
  - G. City government
  - H. State government
  - I. The federal government
  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
  6. Don't Know
  7. Refused

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: How about in general?)

3. About how often have you ... [INSERT ACTIVITY]? [If necessary probe with categories]

- A. Had friends over to your home?
- B. Visited relatives in person or had them visit you?
- C. Socialized with co-workers outside of work?
- D. Played cards or board games with others?
- E. Attended a club meeting?
- F. Hung out with friends at a park, shopping mall, or other public place?
- G. Attended any public meeting in which there was discussion of town or school affairs?

- 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
- 6. Never
- 7. Don't know
- 8. Refused

4. Now I'd like to ask whether you have taken part in activities with different groups and organizations. I'm going to read a list; just answer YES if you have been involved in the past 12 months with this kind of group.

- A. An adult sports club or league, or an outdoor activity club.
- B. (How about) A youth organization like youth sports leagues, the scouts, 4 H clubs, and Boys & Girls Clubs.
- C. (How about) A parents' association, like the PTA or PTO, or other school support or service groups.
- D. Activities at your church or place of worship, other than attending services? This might include teaching Sunday school, serving on a committee, attending choir rehearsal or a retreat. Or working with any organization affiliated with religion, such as the Knights of Columbus or a bible study group?
- E. A neighborhood association, like a block association, a homeowner or tenant association, or a crime watch group.
- F. A charity or social welfare organization that provides services in such fields as health or service to the needy.
- G. A professional, trade, farm, or business association.
- H. Any other hobby, investment, or garden clubs or societies.
- I. And do you belong to any other kinds of clubs or organizations?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. Don't know
- 4. Refused

5. In the past twelve months, have you served as an officer or served on a committee of any local club or organization?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Don't know
  4. Refused
6. City-Parish government has limited resources and has to set priorities. All of the following issues are important, but if the city can't do everything, which issues do you think should have the highest priority? Take economic development: should it have the highest priority; high priority; medium priority; or lower priority?
- A. Economic development
  - B. [How about] Education
  - C. Reducing traffic congestion
  - D. Fighting crime
  - E. Providing hospitals and emergency rooms
  - F. Providing mental health facilities
  - G. Developing more summer and after-school programs for youth
  - H. Developing more programs for volunteering
  - I. Supporting public art in the community
  - J. Providing housing for homeless veterans
  - K. Making city data available on the internet
1. Highest Priority
  2. High Priority
  3. Medium Priority
  4. Lower Priority
  5. Don't Know
  6. No answer
7. City Services and Infrastructure have to be constantly maintained, but they can be expensive. Which of the following projects do you think should have the highest priority, even if they required higher taxes to pay for them? Take sewage and water drainage: should it have the highest priority; high priority; medium priority; or lower priority?
- A. Sewage and water drainage
  - B. [How about] Roads and bridges
  - C. Public transportation
  - D. The development of alternative energy sources
  - E. Surveillance video cameras in high crime areas
  - F. Expanding the jail system
  - G. Pre-school and elementary school programs to get kids up to grade level
  - H. Reducing blight
  - I. Bike Paths
1. Highest Priority
  2. High Priority
  3. Medium Priority
  4. Lower Priority

5. Don't Know
  6. No answer
8. Some people say we're paying too much in taxes for prisons, especially because of long sentences. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "We should release more prisoners early if they have already served part of their sentences and don't present a danger to society."
1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Disagree
  4. Strongly disagree
  5. Don't know
9. Is there any area near where you live – that is, within a mile – where you would be afraid to walk alone at night?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. DK
  4. NA
10. In general, do you think the courts in this area deal too harshly or not harshly enough with criminals?
1. Too harsh
  2. Not harsh enough
  3. About right
  4. Don't know
  5. No answer
11. Do you think your being a (man/woman) makes your promotion opportunities better or worse?
1. Better
  2. Worse
  3. No effect
  4. Don't know
  5. No answer
12. And, do you agree or disagree . . . It is not good if the man stays at home and cares for the children and the woman goes out to work.
1. Strongly agree
  2. Agree
  3. Neither agree nor disagree
  4. Disagree
  5. Strongly disagree
  6. Can't choose
  7. No answer
13. It is unattractive for women to express strong opinions in public
1. Strongly agree
  2. Tend to agree
  3. Tend to disagree
  4. Strongly disagree

5. Don't know
14. Consider application forms for jobs, school, loans, and similar things. Is it okay for the form to require you to disclose:
- Your Gender/sex
  - Your Race
  - Your Religion
  - Whether you have been arrested
  - Whether you have been incarcerated
- Okay to require disclosure
  - Not okay to require disclosure
  - Don't know
15. Compared to your parents when they were the age you are now, Do you think your own standard of living now is much better, somewhat better, about the same, somewhat worse, or much worse than theirs was?
- Much better
  - Somewhat better
  - About the same
  - Somewhat worse
  - Much worse
  - Don't know, No answer
16. People differ in their ideas about what it takes for a young person to become an adult these days. By what age should they normally be capable of supporting a family financially?
- \_\_\_\_\_
17. Do you believe that technology is making the younger generation lazy?
- Strongly agree
  - Agree
  - Neither agree nor disagree
  - Disagree
  - Strongly disagree
  - Don't Know
18. Have you ever first come into contact with someone on the Internet – through a chat room, bulletin board, news group, discussion forum, social media, or other interactive site, or through their Web page – with whom you later established a relationship outside the Internet?
- Yes
  - No
  - Don't know, No answer
19. The federal government has a lot of different pieces of information about people which computers can bring together very quickly. Is this a very serious threat to individual privacy, a fairly serious threat, not a serious threat, or not a threat at all to individual privacy?
- Very serious threat
  - Fairly serious

3. Not serious
  4. Not a threat at all
  5. Can't choose
  6. No answer
20. Are there any situations you can imagine in which you would approve of a policeman striking an adult male citizen?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Don't know, No answer
21. Do you favor or oppose on-duty police officers wearing video cameras which would record events and actions as they occur?
1. Favor
  2. Oppose
  3. Unsure, No Answer
22. How confident are you that the police in this country are adequately trained to avoid the use of excessive force: very confident, somewhat confident, not so confident or not confident at all?
1. Very confident
  2. Somewhat confident
  3. Not so confident
  4. Not confident at all
  5. Unsure

**Next I'd like to ask you a couple questions about where you get information.**

23. How many days in the past week did you read a daily newspaper?
1. \_\_\_\_ [VALID RANGE 0-7]
  2. Don't know
  3. Refused
24. 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]
1. \_\_\_\_ [VALID RANGE 0-12]
  2. Don't know
  3. Refused
25. How many hours per day do you spend accessing the internet on an average weekday, that is Monday through Friday? [IF RESPONSE IS 12 OR GREATER, ENTER 12]
1. \_\_\_\_ [VALID RANGE 0-12]
  2. Don't know
  3. Refused
26. Which technology do you use and how do you feel about these tools?
- A. Laptop Computers
  - B. Desktop Computers
  - C. Smartphones
  - D. Tablets

1. Essential/Must Have
2. Like it
3. Optional/Not needed
4. Plan to use
5. Not used

27. Next, please tell me if you ever use the internet to do any of the following things. Do you ever use the internet to use... And about how often do you visit or use them?

- A. Twitter
- B. Instagram
- C. Pinterest
- D. LinkedIn
- E. Facebook
- F. Email

1. Several times a day
2. About once a day
3. A few days a week
4. Every few weeks
5. Less often
6. Don't Use
7. Don't Know

28. And how often do you generally communicate with family and friends by:

- A. Phone
- B. Texting
- C. Face to face

1. Several times a day
2. About once a day
3. A few days a week
4. Every few weeks
5. Less often
6. Don't know

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

29. First, may I ask, In what year were you born? \_\_\_\_\_

[RECORD FULL YEAR (e.g., 1967); IF NO ANSWER, ENTER 9999]

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, African American
3. Asian
4. American Indian

5. Other
  6. Don't Know (volunteered)
  7. No Answer
32. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. 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. No Answer
34. Do you have children? How many?
0. None
  1. One
  2. Two
  3. Three
  4. Four or more
  5. Other answer
  6. No Answer
35. [If children] And how old is your [oldest] child?
- \_\_\_\_\_

*Interviewer: Try to find a "reference child" age 8-14. It's okay to improvise slightly here. If oldest child is 7 or younger, skip to Q 42. If oldest child is 8-14, simply continue. If oldest child is 15 or older, say "I have a couple questions about middle school children, children aged about 8-14. Do you happen to have a child age 8-14? [If no] Then could you answer a couple questions about your [oldest] child when s/he was about 8-14?"*

36. [Ask about "reference child"] Is that a boy or a girl [man or woman, if that age]
1. Male
  2. Female
37. What does/did s/he do most days after school, before dinnertime? **[DON'T READ OUT ANSWERS. LET R ANSWER FREELY. CIRCLE ANY ANSWERS MENTIONED, BUT IF THERE ARE MULTIPLE ANSWERS, ASK WHICH IS MOST FREQUENT & INDICATE BELOW.]**
1. After school sports program at school
  2. Other after school program at school
  3. After school sports program NOT at school
  4. Other after school program NOT at school
  5. Does/did homework at home



6. Watched TV or visited with friends at home or at friend's home
7. Hung out in public place or on street, with or without friends
8. Other [specify]
9. DK, No Answer

NOTE: Write down what R said

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38. How much education do/did you think s/he will/would get? How far do/did you think s/he will/would stay in school? *[DON'T READ OUT ANSWERS]*

1. Less than High School Diploma
2. High School Diploma
3. Vocational/Technical school, Community College
4. Learned a Trade
5. Some College
6. College degree
7. Some graduate school
8. Graduate degree
9. Other [specify]
10. DK, No Answer

NOTE: Write down what R said; note any multiple answers

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39. What kind of job do/did you think s/he will/would get?

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40. Does/did s/he have a mentor of some kind, I mean an adult other than his/her parents who tries to help him/her in life?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know

41. [If yes] What does/did the mentor do? I mean, is/was it a school teacher, a neighbor, a relative, a coach, a music teacher, or what? *[DON'T READ OUT ANSWERS]*

1. School teacher
2. Neighbor
3. Relative
4. A Coach
5. A Music teacher
6. Clergy or religious leader
7. Other [specify]
8. DK, No Answer

NOTE: Write down what R said; note any multiple answers

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42. What is the highest grade of schooling that *you yourself* 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. No Answer
43. 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 NEXT QUESTION]
  6. Don't Know
  7. No Answer
- A. What specific denomination is that, if any? [PROBE FOR EXACT DENOMINATION] \_\_\_\_\_
- B. [RECORD OTHER] \_\_\_\_\_
44. Are you a member of a local church, synagogue, or other religious or spiritual community?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Don't know
  4. Refused
45. 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
  6. Don't know
  7. Refused
46. Would you say that in general your health is –
1. Excellent
  2. Very Good
  3. Good
  4. Fair
  5. Poor
  6. Don't know
  7. Refused
47. 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
48. Who did you vote for in the 2012 Presidential election?
1. Barack Obama (D)
  2. Mitt Romney (R)
  3. Someone else [Volunteered]
  4. Didn't vote
  5. Don't remember
  6. No Answer, Refused
49. Who do you favor in the 2016 Presidential election?
1. Donald Trump
  2. Ted Cruz
  3. Marco Rubio
  4. John Kasich
  5. Hillary Clinton
  6. Bernie Sanders
  7. Someone else [Volunteered]
  8. No Answer, Refused
50. Who did you vote for in the 2012 election for Mayor of Baton Rouge? Did you vote for [Read four candidate names...]
1. Kip Holden
  2. Mike Walker
  3. Steve Myers
  4. Gordon Mese
  5. Someone else [Volunteered]
  6. Didn't vote
  7. Don't remember, No Answer, Refused
51. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Kip Holden is handling his job as Mayor of Baton Rouge?
1. Approve
  2. Disapprove
  3. Unsure

52. 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. No Answer

53. [Ask Respondent:] What is your Zip Code?

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\_\_\_\_\_ [DON'T ASK: Enter Zip code from sample (phone) sheet, if available]

54. [Ask Respondent:] What city do you live in?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ [DON'T ASK: Enter City from sample (phone) sheet, if available]

55. What is the name of the subdivision or neighborhood you live in?

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56. Just to make sure we understand where that is, what are a couple of the main streets in your subdivision or neighborhood?

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[INTERVIEW IS COMPLETE IF YOU REACH THIS POINT]

57. 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 last year, from all sources.

1. Under \$25,000
2. Under \$35,000
3. Under \$50,000
4. Under \$75,000
5. Under \$100,000
6. Under \$200,000
7. More than \$200,000
8. Don't Know
9. No Response

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