

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. I'm going to read you a list of some things that different people value. Some people say these things are very important to them. Other people say they are not so important. Please tell me how important each things is to you personally. How about being financially secure? Is it one of the most important values you hold, very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

- A Being financially secure.
- B Being married.
- C Having children.
- D Having faith in God.

- 1. One of the most important
- 2. Very important
- 3. Somewhat important
- 4. Not too important
- 5. Not at all important
- 9 Don't know, No answer

4. 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

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 Public Schools
- C Congress
- D The Police
- E Health Maintenance Organizations, HMO's
- F Newspapers

- 1. A great deal
- 2. Quite a lot
- 3. Some
- 4. Very little
- 5. None (Volunteered)
- 9 Don't know, No answer

6. 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?)

7. In history classes in high school and college, do the experiences of racial and ethnic minority groups in America receive too much attention now, too little attention, or about the right amount?

- 1. Too much attention
- 2. Too little attention
- 3. About the right amount
- 9 Don't know, No answer

8. In general, how much of a problem do you think racism in the work place is for black families today? Is this a big problem for black families today, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem?
1. Big problem
 2. Somewhat of a problem
 3. Not a problem
 - 9 Don't know
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. There has been a lot of discussion recently about whether gay couples should be granted either marriage or its equivalent in terms of legal rights. Do you believe gays and lesbians should be allowed to get legally married, allowed a legal domestic partnership similar to but not called marriage, or should there be no legal recognition given to gay and lesbian relationships?
1. Allowed to get legally married
 2. Allowed a legal domestic partnership
 3. There should be no legal recognition
 - 9 Not sure
11. Even though the U.S. Constitution guarantees freedom of speech, government has placed some restrictions on it. Overall, do you think Americans have too much freedom to speak freely, too little freedom to speak freely, or is the amount of freedom people have to speak freely about right?
1. Too much freedom
 2. Too little freedom
 3. About right
 - 9 Don't know/Refused

12. There are some people whose views are considered extreme by the majority. Consider a person who advocates doing away with elections and letting the military run the country. If such a person wanted to make a speech in your community, should he be allowed to speak, or not?
1. Yes, allowed to speak
 2. Not allowed
 - 9 Don't know
13. Do you think it should be legal or illegal to burn the American flag?
1. Should be legal to burn
 2. Should be illegal [go to B]
 - 9 Not sure
- B. [If answered "Illegal"]: Is it worth amending the U.S. Constitution to make flag burning illegal, or not worth it?
- 1 Worth it to amend Constitution
 - 2 Not worth it to amend
 - 9 Not sure
14. 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
15. Some states have special laws that provide harsher penalties for crimes motivated by hate of certain groups than the penalties for the same crimes if they are not motivated by this kind of hate. Would you favor or oppose this type of hate crime law in your state?
1. Favor
 2. Oppose
 - 9 Don't know
16. In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?
1. More strict
 2. Less strict
 3. Kept as they are now
 - 9 Don't know, No answer

17. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree that it is sometimes necessary to discipline a child with a good, hard spanking?
1. Strongly agree
 2. Agree
 3. Disagree
 4. Strongly disagree
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
18. 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
19. Do you favor or oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?
1. Favor
 2. Oppose
 - 9 Don't know, No answer
20. 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
21. 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
22. 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 25]
 - 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] _____

23. 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

24. 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

25. About how often have you ... [INSERT ACTIVITY]? [IF NECESSARY PROBE WITH CATEGORIES]

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

- 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
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

26. 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]
- B (How about) A youth organization like youth sports leagues, the scouts, 4-H clubs, and Boys & Girls Clubs. [C]
- C (How about) A parents' association, like the PTA or PTO, or other school support or service groups. [D]
- 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? [A]
- E A neighborhood association, like a block association, a homeowner or tenant association, or a crime watch group. [F]
- F A charity or social welfare organization that provides services in such fields as health or service to the needy. [H]
- G A professional, trade, farm, or business association. [J]
- H Any other hobby, investment, or garden clubs or societies. [O]
- I And do you belong to any other kinds of clubs or organizations? [R]
 - 1. Yes
 - 2. No
 - 8 Don't know
 - 9 Refused

27. 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
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

28. 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

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

29. 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
30. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
1. Yes
 2. No
 - 9 No answer/Don't know
31. 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
32. Do you have children? How many?
1. None
 2. One
 3. Two
 4. Three
 5. Four or more
 6. Other answer
 7. NA

33. 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
34. 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
35. Who did you vote for in the Presidential election last fall?
1. George W. Bush
 2. Al Gore
 3. Someone else [Volunteered]
 4. Didn't vote
 - 9 Don't remember, No Answer, Refused

36. 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

37. What is your Zip Code?

[INTERVIEW IS COMPLETE IF YOU REACH THIS POINT]

38. 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 2000, 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]

38. Was the respondent cooperative

1. No
2. Yes

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

1. No
2. Yes

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

1. No
2. Yes

[BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PROBLEM]

41. Did the respondent seem to be impaired?

1. No
2. Yes

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

43. 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]