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International
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of the
Background
Questionnaires



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Supplement 1: International Version of the TIMSS 1999 Background Questionnaires

Overview

This supplement contains the international version of the TIMSS 1999 background questionnaires in the following five sections:

- Section 1: Student Background Questionnaire - General Science Version
- Section 2: Student Background Questionnaire - Separate Science Subject Version
- Section 3: Mathematics Teacher Background Questionnaire
- Section 4: Science Teacher Background Questionnaire
- Section 5: School Background Questionnaire

It also contains the lists of the international background variables corresponding to each of the background questionnaire items that were administered. For the student questionnaires, although there were two versions administered, only one list is presented where it is indicated whether the variables were included in the general science, the separate science, or both questionnaires.

The questionnaires were designed to provide an opportunity for individual countries to make modifications to some questions or response options. This allowed countries to include the appropriate wording or options most consistent with their own national systems. In the international versions of the questionnaires, such questions contain instructions to the National Research Coordinators (NRC) to substitute the appropriate wording for their country and/or to modify or delete any inappropriate questions or options. These instructions were indicated in two ways in the questionnaires by the text <NRC NOTE:> and <International Option>. When used it was an indicator that the NRC was to substitute, if necessary, an appropriate national option that would retain the same basic interpretation as the international version.

The documentation of the national adaptations of the background questionnaire items is included in Supplement 2. This provides the user with information required to evaluate the availability of internationally comparable data for use in secondary analyses involving the TIMSS background variables.

Even though the TIMSS 1999 Database also contains the TIMSS 1995 Database, in this User Guide we are including only the background questionnaires administered as part of the TIMSS 1999 Assessment. The

lists of variables given for each of the 1999 questionnaires indicate whether the question was also administered and available in the questionnaires administered in 1995. The questionnaires included with this Supplement have each question with its corresponding variable name in the margin. When the question was administered in 1995, the variable name is followed by "(t)" indicating trend information is available. The international versions of the background questionnaires from the 1995 assessment are available with the User Guide for the 1995 Database.

The international background variables are listed in this supplement in order of the corresponding questions in the international version of the background questionnaires. For each background variable, the corresponding international questionnaire location is given. The questionnaire item numbers associated with each variable are indicated by field locations according to the formats given in Table S1.1. The lists of background variables for the student, teacher, and school questionnaires are presented in Tables S1.2 through S1.5.

Table S1.1 Background Questionnaire Item Field Location Format Conventions

Questionnaire	Location
Student Questionnaire - General Science version	SQ2-***
Student Questionnaire - Separate Science version	SQ2S-***
Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire (Sections A and B)	TQM2A-*** and TQM2B-***
Science Teacher Questionnaire (Sections A and B)	TQS2A-*** and TQS2B-***
School Questionnaire	SCQ2-***

Table S1.2 Index of International Background Variables for the TIMSS 1999 Student Questionnaire (part 1 of 10)

Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBGBIRD	Yes	SQ2-01A	SQ2S-01A	On what day were you born?
BSBGBIRM	Yes	SQ2-01B	SQ2S-01B	On what month were you born?
BSBGBIRY	Yes	SQ2-01C	SQ2S-01C	On what year were you born?
BSBGSEX	Yes	SQ2-02	SQ2S-02	Are you a boy or a girl?
BSBGBRNM1	Yes	SQ2-03A	SQ2S-03A	Were you born in <country>?
BSBGBRNM2	Yes	SQ2-03B	SQ2S-03B	How old were you when you came to <country>?
BSBGLANG	Yes	SQ2-04	SQ2S-04	How often do you speak <language of test> at home?
BSBMEXTR	Yes	SQ2-05A	SQ2S-05A	Outside school how much time per week do you spend taking extra lessons in mathematics?
BSBSEXTR	Yes	SQ2-05B	SQ2S-05B	Outside school how much time per week do you spend taking extra lessons in science?
BSBGCLUB	Yes	SQ2-05C	SQ2S-05C	Outside school how much time per week do you spend participating in science or mathematics clubs?
BSBGPAD	Yes	SQ2-05D	SQ2S-05D	Outside school how much time per week do you spend at a paid job?
BSBGDAY1	Yes	SQ2-06A	SQ2S-06A	Outside school how much time per day do you spend watching television and videos?
BSBGDAY2	Yes	SQ2-06B	SQ2S-06B	Outside school how much time per day do you spend playing computer games?
BSBGDAY3	Yes	SQ2-06C	SQ2S-06C	Outside school how much time per day do you spend playing/talking with friends?
BSBGDAY4	Yes	SQ2-06D	SQ2S-06D	Outside school how much time per day do you spend doing jobs at home?
BSBGDAY5	Yes	SQ2-06E	SQ2S-06E	Outside school how much time per day do you spend playing sports?
BSBGDAY6	Yes	SQ2-06F	SQ2S-06F	Outside school how much time per day do you spend reading a book for enjoyment?
BSBMDAY7	Yes	SQ2-06G	SQ2S-06G	Outside school how much time per day do you spend studying or doing homework in mathematics?
BSBSDAY8	Yes	SQ2-06H	SQ2S-06H	Outside school how much time per day do you spend studying or doing homework in science?
BSBGDAY9	Yes	SQ2-06I	SQ2S-06I	Outside school how much time per day do you spend studying or doing homework in other subjects?
BSBGEDDMO	No	SQ2-07A	SQ2S-07A	How far did your mother go in school?
BSBGEDFA	No	SQ2-07B	SQ2S-07B	How far did your father go in school?
BSBGEDSE	No	SQ2-08	SQ2S-08	How far do you expect to go in school?
BSBGBRNM	Yes	SQ2-09A	SQ2S-09A	Was your mother born in <country>?
BSBGBRNF	Yes	SQ2-09B	SQ2S-09B	Was your father born in <country>?
BSBGBOOK	Yes	SQ2-10	SQ2S-10	About how many books are there in your home?
BSBGPS01	Yes	SQ2-11A	SQ2S-11A	Do you have a calculator at your home?
BSBGPS02	Yes	SQ2-11B	SQ2S-11B	Do you have a computer at your home?
BSBGPS03	Yes	SQ2-11C	SQ2S-11C	Do you have a study desk at home for your own use?
BSBGPS04	Yes	SQ2-11D	SQ2S-11D	Do you have a dictionary at your home?
BSBGPS05	Yes	SQ2-11E	SQ2S-11E	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS06	Yes	SQ2-11F	SQ2S-11F	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS07	Yes	SQ2-11G	SQ2S-11G	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS08	Yes	SQ2-11H	SQ2S-11H	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS09	Yes	SQ2-11I	SQ2S-11I	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS10	Yes	SQ2-11J	SQ2S-11J	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS11	Yes	SQ2-11K	SQ2S-11K	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS12	Yes	SQ2-11L	SQ2S-11L	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS13	Yes	SQ2-11M	SQ2S-11M	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGPS14	Yes	SQ2-11N	SQ2S-11N	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBGP15	Yes	SQ2-11O	SQ2S-11O	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBGP16	Yes	SQ2-11P	SQ2S-11P	Do you have a <country specific> at your home?
BSBMP1	Yes	SQ2-12A	SQ2S-12A	My mother thinks it is important for me to do well in science at school.
BSBMMIP2	Yes	SQ2-12B	SQ2S-12B	My mother thinks it is important for me to do well in mathematics at school.
BSBGMIP3	Yes	SQ2-12C	SQ2S-12C	My mother thinks it is important for me to do well in <language of test> at school.
BSBGMIP5	Yes	SQ2-12D	SQ2S-12D	My mother thinks it is important for me to have time to have fun.
BSBGMIP4	Yes	SQ2-12E	SQ2S-12E	My mother thinks it is important for me to be good at sports.
BSBMCLS1	Yes	SQ2-13A	SQ2S-13A	In my mathematics class students often neglect their school work.
BSBMCLS2	Yes	SQ2-13B	SQ2S-13B	In my mathematics class students are orderly and quiet during lessons.
BSBMCLS3	Yes	SQ2-13C	SQ2S-13C	In my mathematics class students do exactly as the teacher says.
BSBSFIP1	Yes	SQ2-14A	SQ2S-14A	My friends think it is important for me to do well in science at school.
BSBMFIP2	Yes	SQ2-14B	SQ2S-14B	My friends think it is important for me to do well in mathematics at school.
BSBGFIP3	Yes	SQ2-14C	SQ2S-14C	My friends think it is important for me to do well in <language of test> at school.
BSBGFIP4	Yes	SQ2-14D	SQ2S-14D	My friends think it is important for me to have time to have fun.
BSBGFIP5	Yes	SQ2-14E	SQ2S-14E	My friends think it is important for me to be good at sports.
BSBSSIP1	Yes	SQ2-15A	SQ2S-15A	I think it is important to do well in science at school.
BSBMSIP2	Yes	SQ2-15B	SQ2S-15B	I think it is important to do well in mathematics at school.
BSBGSIP3	Yes	SQ2-15C	SQ2S-15C	I think it is important to do well in <language of test> at school.
BSBGSIP4	Yes	SQ2-15D	SQ2S-15D	I think it is important to have time to have fun.
BSBGSIP5	Yes	SQ2-15E	SQ2S-15E	I think it is important to be good at sports.
BSBMGOOD	Yes	SQ2-16A	SQ2S-16A	I usually do well in mathematics.
BSBSGOOD	Yes	SQ2-16B	~~~	I usually do well in science.
BSBMMYT1	No	SQ2-17A	SQ2S-17A	I would like mathematics much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBMMYT2	No	SQ2-17B	SQ2S-17B	Although I do my best, Mathematics is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBMMYT3	No	SQ2-17C	SQ2S-17C	I am just not talented in mathematics.
BSBMMYT4	No	SQ2-17D	SQ2S-17D	Sometimes, when I do not understand a new topic initially in math, I never understand it.
BSBMMYT5	No	SQ2-17E	SQ2S-17E	Mathematics is not one of my strengths.
BSBMDOW1	Yes	SQ2-18A	SQ2S-18A	To do well in mathematics you need lots of natural ability.
BSBMDOW2	Yes	SQ2-18B	SQ2S-18B	To do well in mathematics you need good luck.
BSBMDOW3	Yes	SQ2-18C	SQ2S-18C	To do well in mathematics you need lots of hard work studying at home.
BSBMDOW4	Yes	SQ2-18D	SQ2S-18D	To do well in mathematics you need to memorize the textbook or notes.
BSBSSYT1	No	SQ2-19A	~~~	I would like science much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBSSYT2	No	SQ2-19B	~~~	Although I do my best, science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBSSYT3	No	SQ2-19C	~~~	I am just not talented in science.
BSBSSYT4	No	SQ2-19D	~~~	Science is not one of my strengths.
BSBSDOW1	Yes	SQ2-20A	SQ2S-23A	To do well in science you need lots of natural ability.
BSBSDOW2	Yes	SQ2-20B	SQ2S-23B	To do well in science you need good luck.
BSBSDOW3	Yes	SQ2-20C	SQ2S-23C	To do well in science you need lots of hard work studying at home.
BSBSDOW4	Yes	SQ2-20D	SQ2S-23D	To do well in science you need to memorize the textbook or notes.
BSBMLIKM	No	SQ2-21A	SQ2S-24A	How much do you like mathematics?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSB5LIKS	No	SQ2-21B	~	How much do you like science?
BSBMLUCM	No	SQ2-22A	SQ2S-25A	How much do you like using computers to learn mathematics?
BSB5LUCS	No	SQ2-22B	SQ2S-25B	How much do you like using computers to learn science?
BSB5INT1	No	SQ2-23A/A	SQ2S-26A/A	Do you have access to the Internet at home?
BSB5INT2	No	SQ2-23A/B	SQ2S-26A/B	Do you have access to the Internet at school?
BSB5INT3	No	SQ2-23A/C	SQ2S-26A/C	Do you have access to the Internet elsewhere?
BSBGOFT1	No	SQ2-23B/D	SQ2S-26B/D	How often do you use e-mail to work w/students in other schools on math projects?
BSBGOFT2	No	SQ2-23B/E	SQ2S-26B/E	How often do you use e-mail to work w/students in other schools on science projects?
BSBGOFT3	No	SQ2-23B/F	SQ2S-26B/F	How often do you use www to access information for math projects?
BSBGOFT4	No	SQ2-23B/G	SQ2S-26B/G	How often do you use www to access information for science projects?
BSBMENJY	Yes	SQ2-24A	SQ2S-27A	Do you think that you enjoy learning mathematics?
BSBMBORE	Yes	SQ2-24B	SQ2S-27B	Do you think that mathematics is boring?
BSBMEASY	Yes	SQ2-24C	SQ2S-27C	Do you think that mathematics is an easy subject?
BSBMLIFE	Yes	SQ2-24D	SQ2S-27D	Do you think that mathematics is important to everyone's life?
BSBMMWORK	Yes	SQ2-24E	SQ2S-27E	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using mathematics?
BSBMJOB	Yes	SQ2-25A	SQ2S-28A	I need to do well in mathematics to get the job I want
BSBMPRNT	Yes	SQ2-25B	SQ2S-28B	I need to do well in mathematics to please my parents
BSBMSCHL	Yes	SQ2-25C	SQ2S-28C	I need to do well in mathematics to get into the school I prefer.
BSBMSELF	Yes	SQ2-25D	SQ2S-28D	I need to do well in mathematics to please myself.
BSBMPROB	Yes	SQ2-26A	SQ2S-29A	How often does the teacher show how to do mathematics problems in your math lesson?
BSBMNOTE	Yes	SQ2-26B	SQ2S-29B	How often do you copy notes from the board in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMTTEST	Yes	SQ2-26C	SQ2S-29C	How often do you have a quiz or test in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMPROJ	Yes	SQ2-26D	SQ2S-29D	How often do you work on mathematics projects in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMWSHT	Yes	SQ2-26E	SQ2S-29E	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMCALC	Yes	SQ2-26F	SQ2S-29F	How often do you use calculators in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMCOMP	Yes	SQ2-26G	SQ2S-29G	How often do you use computers in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMEVLF	Yes	SQ2-26H	SQ2S-29H	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMSGRP	Yes	SQ2-26I	SQ2S-29I	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMHWGV	Yes	SQ2-26J	SQ2S-29J	How often does the teacher give homework in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMHWCL	Yes	SQ2-26K	SQ2S-29K	How often do you begin homework in class in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMHWTC	Yes	SQ2-26L	SQ2S-29L	How often does the teacher check homework in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMHWFC	Yes	SQ2-26M	SQ2S-29M	How often do you check each other's homework in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMHWDS	Yes	SQ2-26N	SQ2S-29N	How often do you discuss completed homework in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMUSBT	No	SQ2-26O	SQ2S-29O	How often does the teacher use the board in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMUSOT	No	SQ2-26P	SQ2S-29P	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMUSBS	No	SQ2-26Q	SQ2S-29Q	How often do students use the board in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMMUSOS	No	SQ2-26R	SQ2S-29R	How often do students use the overhead projector in your mathematics lesson?
BSBMRUPT	No	SQ2-26S	SQ2S-29S	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your math lesson?
BSBMMIDEA	No	SQ2-26T	SQ2S-29T	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your math lesson?
BSBMRULE	Yes	SQ2-27A	SQ2S-30A	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new math topics?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBMSPRAC	Yes	SQ2-27B	SQ2S-30B	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new mathematics topics?
BSBMSMGP	Yes	SQ2-27C	SQ2S-30C	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new math topics?
BSBMASK	Yes	SQ2-27D	SQ2S-30D	How often does the teacher asks what you know about the topic when beginning new math topics?
BSBMTXBK	Yes	SQ2-27E	SQ2S-30E	How often do you look at textbook while teacher talks about it when beginning new math topics?
BSBMEG	Yes	SQ2-27F	SQ2S-30F	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new mathematics topics?
BSBSSCYE	No	SQ2-28	~	Are you studying science in school this year?
BSBSENJY	Yes	SQ2-29A	~	Do you think that you enjoy learning science?
BSBSBORE	Yes	SQ2-29B	~	Do you think that science is boring?
BSBSEASY	Yes	SQ2-29C	~	Do you think that science is an easy subject?
BSBSLIFE	Yes	SQ2-29D	~	Do you think that science is important to everyone's life?
BSBSWORK	Yes	SQ2-29E	~	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using science?
BSBSJOB	Yes	SQ2-30A	~	I need to do well in science to get the job I want.
BSBSPRNT	Yes	SQ2-30B	~	I need to do well in science to please my parents.
BSBSSCHL	Yes	SQ2-30C	~	I need to do well in science to get into the school I prefer.
BSBSSSELF	Yes	SQ2-30D	~	I need to do well in science to please myself.
BSBSPROB	Yes	SQ2-31A	~	How often does the teacher show how to do science problems in your science lesson?
BSBSNOTE	Yes	SQ2-31B	~	How often do you copy notes from the board in your science lesson?
BSBTEST	Yes	SQ2-31C	~	How often do you have a quiz or test in your science lesson?
BSBSPROJ	Yes	SQ2-31D	~	How often do you work on science projects in your science lesson?
BSBSWSHT	Yes	SQ2-31E	~	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your science lesson?
BSBSCALC	Yes	SQ2-31F	~	How often do you use calculators in your science lesson?
BSBSCOMP	Yes	SQ2-31G	~	How often do you use computers in your science lesson?
BSBSEVLF	Yes	SQ2-31H	~	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your science lesson?
BSBSSGRP	Yes	SQ2-31I	~	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your science lesson?
BSBSHWGV	Yes	SQ2-31J	~	How often does the teacher give homework in your science lesson?
BSBSHWCL	Yes	SQ2-31K	~	How often do you begin homework in class in your science lesson?
BSBSHWTC	Yes	SQ2-31L	~	How often does the teacher check homework in your science lesson?
BSBSHWFC	Yes	SQ2-31M	~	How often do you check each other's homework in your science lesson?
BSBSHWDS	Yes	SQ2-31N	~	How often do you discuss completed homework in your science lesson?
BSBSDEMO	Yes	SQ2-31O	~	How often does the teacher demonstrate an experiment in your science lesson?
BSBSEXPR	Yes	SQ2-31P	~	How often do you do an experiment in your science lesson?
BSBSUSBT	No	SQ2-31Q	~	How often does the teacher use the board in your science lesson?
BSBSUSOT	No	SQ2-31R	~	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your science lesson?
BSBSUSBS	No	SQ2-31S	~	How often do students use the board in your science lesson?
BSBSUSOS	No	SQ2-31T	~	How often do students use the overhead projector in your science lesson?
BSBSRUPT	No	SQ2-31U	~	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your science lesson?
BSBSIDEA	No	SQ2-31V	~	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your science lesson?
BSBSRULE	Yes	SQ2-32A	~	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new science topics?
BSBSPRAC	Yes	SQ2-32B	~	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new science topics?
BSBSSMGP	Yes	SQ2-32C	~	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new science topics?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBASASK	Yes	SQ2-32D	~~	How often does the teacher asks what you know about the topic when beginning new science topics?
BSBSTXBK	Yes	SQ2-32E	~~	How often do you look at textbook while teacher talks about it when beginning new science topics?
BSBSEG	Yes	SQ2-32F	~~	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new science topics?
BSBGADU1	Yes	SQ2-33A	SQ2S-48A	Does your mother live at home with you?
BSBGADU2	Yes	SQ2-33B	SQ2S-48B	Does your father live at home with you?
BSBGADU3	Yes	SQ2-33C	SQ2S-48C	Do any brothers live at home with you?
BSBGADU4	Yes	SQ2-33D	SQ2S-48D	Do any sisters live at home with you?
BSBGADU5	Yes	SQ2-33E	SQ2S-48E	Do you have a steppmother who lives with you?
BSBGADU6	Yes	SQ2-33F	SQ2S-48F	Do you have a stepfather who lives with you?
BSBGADU7	Yes	SQ2-33G	SQ2S-48G	Do any grandparents live at home with you?
BSBGADU8	Yes	SQ2-33H	SQ2S-48H	Do any other relatives live at home with you?
BSBGADU9	Yes	SQ2-33I	SQ2S-48I	Do any non-relatives live at home with you?
BSBGHOME	Yes	SQ2-34	SQ2S-49	Altogether how many people live in your home?
BSBGACT1	Yes	SQ2-35A	SQ2S-50A	How often do you read a book or magazine?
BSBGACT2	Yes	SQ2-35B	SQ2S-50B	How often do you visit a museum or art exhibition?
BSBGACT3	Yes	SQ2-35C	SQ2S-50C	How often do you attend a concert?
BSBGACT4	Yes	SQ2-35D	SQ2S-50D	How often do you go to the theatre?
BSBGACT5	Yes	SQ2-35E	SQ2S-50E	How often do you go to the movies?
BSBGNEWS	Yes	SQ2-36A	SQ2S-51A	How often do you watch news or documentaries on television or video?
BSBGOPER	Yes	SQ2-36B	SQ2S-51B	How often do you watch opera ballet or classical music on television or video?
BSBGNATR	Yes	SQ2-36C	SQ2S-51C	How often do you watch nature, wildlife or history on television or video?
BSBGPOPU	Yes	SQ2-36D	SQ2S-51D	How often do you watch popular music on television or video?
BSBGSPRT	Yes	SQ2-36E	SQ2S-51E	How often do you watch sports on television or video?
BSBGVIDE	Yes	SQ2-36F	SQ2S-51F	How often do you watch video games on television or video?
BSBGCRTN	Yes	SQ2-36G	SQ2S-51G	How often do you watch cartoons on television or video?
BSBGCMDY	Yes	SQ2-36H	SQ2S-51H	How often do you watch comedy adventure or suspense on television or video?
BSBGSSKP	Yes	SQ2-37A	SQ2S-52A	How often did you skip a class last month in school?
BSBGSSSTL	Yes	SQ2-37B	SQ2S-52B	How often was something of yours stolen last month in school?
BSBGSVRT	Yes	SQ2-37C	SQ2S-52C	How often did you think another student might hurt you last month in school?
BSBGFSKP	Yes	SQ2-37D	SQ2S-52D	How often did some of your friends skip a class last month in school?
BSBGFSTL	Yes	SQ2-37E	SQ2S-52E	How often did some of your friends have something stolen last month in school?
BSBGFHRT	Yes	SQ2-37F	SQ2S-52F	How often were some of your friends hurt by other students last month in school?
BSBGENV1	Yes	SQ2-38A	SQ2S-53A	How much do you think science can help address air pollution?
BSBGENV2	Yes	SQ2-38B	SQ2S-53B	How much do you think science can help address water pollution?
BSBGENV3	Yes	SQ2-38C	SQ2S-53C	How much do you think science can help address destruction of forests?
BSBGENV4	Yes	SQ2-38D	SQ2S-53D	How much do you think science can help address endangered species?
BSBGENV5	Yes	SQ2-38E	SQ2S-53E	How much do you think science can help address ozone layer damage?
BSBGENV6	Yes	SQ2-38F	SQ2S-53F	How much do you think science can help address problems from nuclear power plants?
BSBSCARE	Yes	SQ2-39	SQ2S-54	Which science would you most prefer to use in a career?
BSBBGOOD	Yes	~~	SQ2S-16B	I usually do well in biological science.

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBEGOOD	Yes	~~	SQ2S-16C	I usually do well in earth science.
BSBCGOOD	No	~~	SQ2S-16D	I usually do well in chemistry.
BSBPGOOD	No	~~	SQ2S-16E	I usually do well in physics.
BSBSBYT1	No	~~	SQ2S-19A	I would like biological science much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBSBYT2	No	~~	SQ2S-19B	Although I do my best, Biological Science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBSBYT3	No	~~	SQ2S-19C	I am just not talented in biological science.
BSBSBYT4	No	~~	SQ2S-19D	Biological science is not one of my strengths.
BSBSEYT1	No	~~	SQ2S-20A	I would like earth science much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBSEYT2	No	~~	SQ2S-20B	Although I do my best, Earth Science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBSEYT3	No	~~	SQ2S-20C	I am just not talented in earth science.
BSBSEYT4	No	~~	SQ2S-20D	Earth science is not one of my strengths.
BSBSCYT1	No	~~	SQ2S-21A	I would like chemistry much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBSCYT2	No	~~	SQ2S-21B	Although I do my best, Chemistry is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBSCYT3	No	~~	SQ2S-21C	I am just not talented in chemistry.
BSBSCYT4	No	~~	SQ2S-21D	Chemistry is not one of my strengths.
BSBSPYT1	No	~~	SQ2S-22A	I would like physics much more if it were not so difficult.
BSBSPYT2	No	~~	SQ2S-22B	Although I do my best, Physics is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.
BSBSPYT3	No	~~	SQ2S-22C	I am just not talented in physics.
BSBSPYT4	No	~~	SQ2S-22D	Physics is not one of my strengths.
BSBBLIKB	No	~~	SQ2S-24B	How much do you like biological science?
BSBELIKS	No	~~	SQ2S-24C	How much do you like earth science?
BSBCLIKC	No	~~	SQ2S-24D	How much do you like chemistry?
BSBPLIKP	No	~~	SQ2S-24E	How much do you like physics?
BSBBSTDY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-31A	Are you studying biology this year?
BSBCSTDY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-31B	Are you studying chemistry this year?
BSBPSTDY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-31C	Are you studying earth science this year?
BSBPSTDY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-31D	Are you studying physics this year?
BSBBENJY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-32A	Do you think that you enjoy learning biology?
BSBBBBORE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-32B	Do you think that biology is boring?
BSBBEASY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-32C	Do you think that biology is an easy subject?
BSBBLIFE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-32D	Do you think that biology is important to everyone's life?
BSBBWORK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-32E	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using biology?
BSBBJOB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-33A	I need to do well in biology to get the job I want.
BSBBPRNT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-33B	I need to do well in biology to please my parents.
BSBBSCHL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-33C	I need to do well in biology to get into the school I prefer.
BSBBSELF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-33D	I need to do well in biology to please myself.
BSBBPROB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34A	How often does the teacher show how to do biology problems in your biology lesson?
BSBBNOTE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34B	How often do you copy notes from the board in your biology lesson?
BSBBTEST	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34C	How often do you have a quiz or test in your biology lesson?
BSBBPROJ	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34D	How often do you work on biology projects in your biology lesson?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBBWSHT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34E	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your biology lesson?
BSBBCALC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34F	How often do you use calculators in your biology lesson?
BSBBCOMP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34G	How often do you use computers in your biology lesson?
BSBBEVLF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34H	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your biology lesson?
BSBBSGRP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34I	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your biology lesson?
BSBBHWGV	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34J	How often does the teacher give homework in your biology lesson?
BSBBHWCL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34K	How often do you begin homework in class in your biology lesson?
BSBBHWTC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34L	How often does the teacher check homework in your biology lesson?
BSBBHWF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34M	How often do you check each other's homework in your biology lesson?
BSBBHWDS	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34N	How often do you discuss completed homework in your biology lesson?
BSBBDEMO	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34O	How often does the teacher demonstrate an experiment in your biology lesson?
BSBBEXPR	Yes	~~	SQ2S-34P	How often do you do an experiment in your biology lesson?
BSBBUSBT	No	~~	SQ2S-34Q	How often does the teacher use the board in your biology lesson?
BSBBUSOT	No	~~	SQ2S-34R	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your biology lesson?
BSBBUSBS	No	~~	SQ2S-34S	How often do students use the board in your biology lesson?
BSBBUSOS	No	~~	SQ2S-34T	How often do students use the overhead projector in your biology lesson?
BSBBRUPT	No	~~	SQ2S-34U	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your biology lesson?
BSBBIDEA	No	~~	SQ2S-34V	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your biology lesson?
BSBBRULE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35A	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new biology topics?
BSBPPRAC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35B	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new biology topics?
BSBBSMGP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35C	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new biology topics?
BSBBASK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35D	How often does the teacher asks what you know about the topic when beginning new biology topics?
BSBBTXBK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35E	How often do you look at textbook while teacher talks about it when beginning new biology topics?
BSBBEG	Yes	~~	SQ2S-35F	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new biology topics?
BSBCENJY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-36A	Do you think that you enjoy learning chemistry??
BSBCBORE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-36B	Do you think that chemistry is boring?
BSBCEASY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-36C	Do you think that chemistry is an easy subject?
BSBCLIFE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-36D	Do you think that chemistry is important to everyone's life?
BSBCWORK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-36E	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using chemistry?
BSBCJOB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-37A	I need to do well in chemistry to get the job I want.
BSBCPRNT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-37B	I need to do well in chemistry to please my parents.
BSBCSCHL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-37C	I need to do well in chemistry to get into the school I prefer.
BSBCSELF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-37D	I need to do well in chemistry to please myself.
BSBCPROB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38A	How often does the teacher show how to do chemistry problems in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCNOTE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38B	How often do you copy notes from the board in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCTEST	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38C	How often do you have a quiz or test in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCPROJ	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38D	How often do you work on chemistry projects in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCWSHT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38E	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your chemistry lesson?
BSBBCALC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38F	How often do you use calculators in your chemistry lesson?
BSBBCOMP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38G	How often do you use computers in your chemistry lesson?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBCEVLF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38H	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCSGRP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38I	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCHWGV	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38J	How often does the teacher give homework in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCHWCL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38K	How often do you begin homework in class in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCHWTC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38L	How often does the teacher check homework in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCHWFC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38M	How often do you check each other's homework in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCHWDs	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38N	How often do you discuss completed homework in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCDEMO	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38O	How often does the teacher demonstrate an experiment in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCEXPR	Yes	~~	SQ2S-38P	How often do you do an experiment in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCUSBT	No	~~	SQ2S-38Q	How often does the teacher use the board in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCUSOT	No	~~	SQ2S-38R	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCUSBS	No	~~	SQ2S-38S	How often do students use the board in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCUSOS	No	~~	SQ2S-38T	How often do students use the overhead projector in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCRUPT	No	~~	SQ2S-38U	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCIDEA	No	~~	SQ2S-38V	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your chemistry lesson?
BSBCRULE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39A	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBCPRAC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39B	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBCSMGP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39C	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBCASK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39D	How often does the teacher asks what you know about the topic when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBCTXBK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39E	How often do you look at textbook while teacher talks about it when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBCEG	Yes	~~	SQ2S-39F	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new chemistry topics?
BSBEEENJY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-40A	Do you think that you enjoy learning earth science?
BSBEBORE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-40B	Do you think that earth science is boring?
BSBEEASY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-40C	Do you think that earth science is an easy subject?
BSBELIFE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-40D	Do you think that earth science is important to everyone's life?
BSBEWORK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-40E	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using earth science?
BSBEJOB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-41A	I need to do well in earth science to get the job I want.
BSBEPRTN	Yes	~~	SQ2S-41B	I need to do well in earth science to please my parents.
BSBESCHL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-41C	I need to do well in earth science to get into the school I prefer.
BSBESSELF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-41D	I need to do well in earth science to please myself.
BSBEPROB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42A	How often does the teacher show how to do earth science problems in your earth science lesson?
BSBENOTE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42B	How often do you copy notes from the board in your earth science lesson?
BSBETEST	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42C	How often do you have a quiz or test in your earth science lesson?
BSBEPROJ	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42D	How often do you work on earth science projects in your earth science lesson?
BSBEWSHT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42E	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your earth science lesson?
BSBECALC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42F	How often do you use calculators in your earth science lesson?
BSBECOMP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42G	How often do you use computers in your earth science lesson?
BSBEEVLF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42H	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your earth science lesson?
BSBESGRP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42I	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your earth science lesson?
BSBEHWGV	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42J	How often does the teacher give homework in your earth science lesson?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBEHWCL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42K	How often do you begin homework in class in your earth science lesson?
BSBEHWTC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42L	How often does the teacher check homework in your earth science lesson?
BSBEHWFC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42M	How often do you check each other's homework in your earth science lesson?
BSBEHWDS	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42N	How often do you discuss completed homework in your earth science lesson?
BSBEDEMO	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42O	How often does the teacher demonstrate an experiment in your earth science lesson?
BSBEEEXPR	Yes	~~	SQ2S-42P	How often do you do an experiment in your earth science lesson?
BSBEUSBT	No	~~	SQ2S-42Q	How often does the teacher use the board in your earth science lesson?
BSBEUSOT	No	~~	SQ2S-42R	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your earth science lesson?
BSBEUSBS	No	~~	SQ2S-42S	How often do students use the board in your earth science lesson?
BSBEUSOS	No	~~	SQ2S-42T	How often do students use the overhead projector in your earth science lesson?
BSBERUPT	No	~~	SQ2S-42U	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your earth science lesson?
BSBEIDEA	No	~~	SQ2S-42V	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your earth science lesson?
BSBERULE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43A	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBEPRAC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43B	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBESMGP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43C	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBEASK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43D	How often does the teacher ask what you know about topic when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBETXBK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43E	How often do you look at textbook as teacher talks about it when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBEEEG	Yes	~~	SQ2S-43F	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new earth science topics?
BSBPENJY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-44A	Do you think that you enjoy learning physics?
BSBPORE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-44B	Do you think that physics is boring?
BSBPEASY	Yes	~~	SQ2S-44C	Do you think that physics is an easy subject?
BSBPLIFE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-44D	Do you think that physics is important to everyone's life?
BSBPWORK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-44E	Do you think that you would like a job that involved using physics?
BSBPJOB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-45A	I need to do well in physics to get the job I want.
BSBPPRNT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-45B	I need to do well in physics to please my parents.
BSBPSCHL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-45C	I need to do well in physics to get into the school I prefer.
BSBPSSELF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-45D	I need to do well in physics to please myself.
BSBPPROB	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46A	How often does the teacher show how to do physics problems in your physics lesson?
BSBPNOTE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46B	How often do you copy notes from the board in your physics lesson?
BSBPTEST	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46C	How often do you have a quiz or test in your physics lesson?
BSBPPROJ	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46D	How often do you work on physics projects in your physics lesson?
BSBPPWHT	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46E	How often do you work from worksheets or textbooks alone in your physics lesson?
BSBPCALC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46F	How often do you use calculators in your physics lesson?
BSBPCOMP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46G	How often do you use computers in your physics lessons in your physics lesson?
BSBPEVLF	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46H	How often do you use things from life to solve problems in your physics lesson?
BSBPSGRP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46I	How often do you work together in pairs or small groups in your physics lesson?
BSBPHWGV	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46J	How often does the teacher give homework in your physics lesson?
BSBPHWCL	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46K	How often do you begin homework in class in your physics lesson?
BSBPHWTC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46L	How often does the teacher check homework in your physics lesson?
BSBPHWFC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46M	How often do you check each other's homework in your physics lesson?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	General Science Questionnaire Location	Separate Science Questionnaire Location	Question
BSBPHWDS	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46N	How often do you discuss completed homework in your physics lesson?
BSBPDEMO	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46O	How often does the teacher demonstrate an experiment in your physics lesson?
BSBPEXPR	Yes	~~	SQ2S-46P	How often do you do an experiment in your physics lesson?
BSBPUGBT	No	~~	SQ2S-46Q	How often does the teacher use the board in your physics lesson?
BSBPUROT	No	~~	SQ2S-46R	How often does the teacher use an overhead projector in your physics lesson?
BSBPUBS	No	~~	SQ2S-46S	How often do students use the board in your physics lesson?
BSBPUOS	No	~~	SQ2S-46T	How often do students use the overhead projector in your physics lesson?
BSBPRUPT	No	~~	SQ2S-46U	How often does the teacher get interrupted by messages etc. in your physics lesson?
BSBPIDEA	No	~~	SQ2S-46V	How often does the teacher use a computer to demonstrate ideas in your physics lesson?
BSBPRULE	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47A	How often does the teacher explain rules and definitions when beginning new physics topics?
BSBPPRAC	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47B	How often do you discuss a practical problem when beginning new physics topics?
BSBPSMGP	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47C	How often do you work together in small groups on a problem when beginning new physics topics?
BSBPAASK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47D	How often does the teacher asks what you know about the topic when beginning new physics topics?
BSBPTXBK	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47E	How often do you look at textbook while teacher talks about it when beginning new physics topics?
BSBPEG	Yes	~~	SQ2S-47F	How often do you try to solve a related example when beginning new physics topics?

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Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire			
Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBGAGE	Yes	TQM2A-01	Teacher age
BTBGSEX	Yes	TQM2A-02	Teacher sex
BTBGTAUG	Yes	TQM2A-03	By the end of this year how many years will you have been teaching?
BTBGTOTL	Yes	TQM2A-04	In a typical calendar week how many single periods are you formally scheduled?
BTBMSUB1	Yes	TQM2A-05A	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach mathematics?
BTBSSSUB2	Yes	TQM2A-05B	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach general science?
BTBSSSUB3	Yes	TQM2A-05C	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach physical science?
BTBSSSUB4	Yes	TQM2A-05D	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach earth science?
BTBSSSUB5	Yes	TQM2A-05E	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach life science?
BTBSSSUB6	Yes	TQM2A-05F	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach biology?
BTBSSSUB7	Yes	TQM2A-05G	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach chemistry?
BTBSSSUB8	Yes	TQM2A-05H	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach physics?
BTBGSUB9	Yes	TQM2A-05I	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach other subjects?
BTBGTSK1	Yes	TQM2A-06A	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform student supervision?
BTBGTSK2	Yes	TQM2A-06B	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform student counseling/appraisal?
BTBGTSK3	Yes	TQM2A-06C	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform administrative duties?
BTBGTSK4	Yes	TQM2A-06D	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform individual curriculum planning?
BTBGTSK5	Yes	TQM2A-06E	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform cooperative curriculum planning?
BTBGTSK6	Yes	TQM2A-06F	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform other non-student contact time?
BTBGTSK7	No	TQM2A-06G	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform other tasks?
BTBGACT1	Yes	TQM2A-07A	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week preparing or grading exams?
BTBGACT2	Yes	TQM2A-07B	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week grading other work?
BTBGACT3	Yes	TQM2A-07C	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week planning lessons?
BTBGACT4	Yes	TQM2A-07D	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week meeting with students?
BTBGACT5	Yes	TQM2A-07E	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week meeting with parents?
BTBGACT6	Yes	TQM2A-07F	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week in professional development?
BTBGACT7	Yes	TQM2A-07G	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week keeping records?
BTBGACT8	Yes	TQM2A-07H	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week on administrative tasks?
BTBGACT9	No	TQM2A-07I	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week on other activities?
BTBGALTO	No	TQM2A-08	How many hours per week do you normally spend on your teaching activities altogether?
BTBGMEET	Yes	TQM2A-09	How often do you meet with other teachers to discuss curriculum or teaching issues?
BTBGINF1	Yes	TQM2A-10A	How much influence do you have on subject matter to be taught?
BTBGINF2	Yes	TQM2A-10B	How much influence do you have on textbooks to be used?
BTBGINF3	Yes	TQM2A-10C	How much influence do you have on the amount of money to be spent on supplies?
BTBGINF4	Yes	TQM2A-10D	How much influence do you have on what supplies are purchased?
BTBMMMP1	Yes	TQM2A-11A	To be good in mathematics how important is it to remember formulas and procedures?
BTBMMMP2	Yes	TQM2A-11B	To be good in mathematics how important is it to think in a sequential & procedural manner?
BTBMMMP3	Yes	TQM2A-11C	To be good in mathematics how important is it to understand mathematical concepts?
BTBMMMP4	Yes	TQM2A-11D	To be good in mathematics how important is it to think creatively?
BTBMMMP5	Yes	TQM2A-11E	To be good in mathematics how important is it to understand real world use?

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Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire			
Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBIMMP6	Yes	TQM2A-11F	To be good in mathematics how important is it to be able to provide reasons to support solutions?
BTBIMAGR1	Yes	TQM2A-12A	Mathematics is primarily an abstract subject.
BTBIMAGR2	Yes	TQM2A-12B	Mathematics is primarily a formal way of representing the real world.
BTBIMAGR3	Yes	TQM2A-12C	Mathematics is primarily a practical and structured guide for addressing real situations.
BTBGAGR4	Yes	TQM2A-12D	If students have difficulty they should be given more practice by themselves.
BTBIMAGR5	Yes	TQM2A-12E	Some students have a natural talent for mathematics and others do not.
BTBIMAGR6	Yes	TQM2A-12F	More than one representation should be used in teaching a mathematics topic.
BTBIMAGR7	Yes	TQM2A-12G	Mathematics should be learned as sets of algorithms that cover all possibilities.
BTBIMAGR8	Yes	TQM2A-12H	Basic computational skills are sufficient for teaching primary school mathematics.
BTBIMAGR9	Yes	TQM2A-12I	A liking for and understanding of students are essential for teaching science.
BTBMFAM1	Yes	TQM2A-13A	How familiar are you with the <national curriculum guide for mathematics>?
BTBMFAM2	Yes	TQM2A-13B	How familiar are you with the <regional curriculum guide for mathematics>?
BTBGFAM3	Yes	TQM2A-13C	How familiar are you with the <school curriculum guide>?
BTBGFAM4	Yes	TQM2A-13D	How familiar are you with the <national examination specifications>?
BTBGFAM5	Yes	TQM2A-13E	How familiar are you with the <regional pedagogy guide for mathematics>?
BTBMFAM6	Yes	TQM2A-13F	How familiar are you with the <national pedagogy guide for mathematics>?
BTBMFAM7	Yes	TQM2A-13G	How familiar are you with the <regional examination specifications>?
BTBMFP01	No	TQM2A-14A	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach fractions, decimals and percentages?
BTBMFP02	No	TQM2A-14B	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach ratios and proportions?
BTBMFP03	No	TQM2A-14C	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach measurement?
BTBMFP04	No	TQM2A-14D	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach perimeter, area and volume?
BTBMFP05	No	TQM2A-14E	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach geometric figures - definitions and properties?
BTBMFP06	No	TQM2A-14F	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach geometric figures - symmetry, motions....?
BTBMFP07	No	TQM2A-14G	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach coordinate geometry?
BTBMFP08	No	TQM2A-14H	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach algebraic representation?
BTBMFP09	No	TQM2A-14I	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach how to evaluate operations on algebraic expressions?
BTBMFP10	No	TQM2A-14J	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach solving linear equations and inequalities?
BTBMFP11	No	TQM2A-14K	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach representation and interpretation of data?
BTBMFP12	No	TQM2A-14L	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach simple probabilities?
BTBGEDUC	Yes	TQM2A-15	What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?
BTBGTRAC	No	TQM2A-16A	Do you have a teacher training certificate?
BTBGYETR	No	TQM2A-16B	How many years of pre-service teacher training have you had?
BTBGPRTTR	No	TQM2A-16C	If you have had pre-service teacher training, did you begin this training in secondary?
BTBGMAS	No	TQM2A-17	I do not have a BA or equivalent?
BTBGCMAS1	No	TQM2A-17A	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study mathematics?
BTBGCMAS2	No	TQM2A-17B	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study biology?
BTBGCMAS3	No	TQM2A-17C	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study physics?
BTBGCMAS4	No	TQM2A-17D	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study chemistry?
BTBGCMAS5	No	TQM2A-17E	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study education?
BTBGCMAS6	No	TQM2A-17F	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study mathematics education?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBGCMA7	No	TQM2A-17G	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study science education?
BTBGCMA8	No	TQM2A-17H	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study other?
BTBGMMAS	No	TQM2A-18	I do not have a master's degree?
BTBGMMA1	No	TQM2A-18A	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study mathematics?
BTBGMMA2	No	TQM2A-18B	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study biology?
BTBGMMA3	No	TQM2A-18C	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study physics?
BTBGMMA4	No	TQM2A-18D	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study chemistry?
BTBGMMA5	No	TQM2A-18E	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study education?
BTBGMMA6	No	TQM2A-18F	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study mathematics education?
BTBGMMA7	No	TQM2A-18G	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study science education?
BTBGMMA8	No	TQM2A-18H	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study other?
BTBGCARE	Yes	TQM2A-19	Was teaching your first choice as a career when beginning university?
BTBGCHNG	Yes	TQM2A-20	Would you change to another career if you had the opportunity?
BTBGSOAP	Yes	TQM2A-21	Do you think that society appreciates your work?
BTBGSTAP	Yes	TQM2A-22	Do you think your students appreciate your work?
BTBGBOOK	Yes	TQM2A-23	Approximately how many books are in your home?
BTBMBBOY	Yes	TQM2B-01A	How many boys are in your class?
BTBMBGIRL	Yes	TQM2B-01B	How many girls are in your class?
BTBMSMEC	No	TQM2B-02	What subject matter do you emphasize most in your mathematics class?
BTBMTIME	Yes	TQM2B-03	How many minutes per week do you teach mathematics to your class?
BTBMTXBK	Yes	TQM2B-04A	Do you use a textbook in teaching mathematics to your class?
BTBMTXBR	No	TQM2B-04B	If yes to 4A, what percentage of your teaching time is based on the text?
BTBMCUDL	No	TQM2B-05	Do students in your mathematics class have calculators available to use during mathematics lessons?
BTBMMWECP	No	TQM2B-06	To what extent are the students permitted to use calculators during math lessons?
BTBMCAL1	Yes	TQM2B-07A	How often do your students use calculators for checking answers?
BTBMCAL2	Yes	TQM2B-07B	How often do your students use calculators for tests?
BTBMCAL3	Yes	TQM2B-07C	How often do your students use calculators for routine computation?
BTBMCAL4	Yes	TQM2B-07D	How often do your students use calculators for solving complex problems?
BTBMCAL5	Yes	TQM2B-07E	How often do your students use calculators for exploring number concepts?
BTBMCOM1	No	TQM2B-08A	Do the students in your class have computers available to use in the classroom?
BTBMCOM2	No	TQM2B-08B	Do the students in your class have computers available to use in other instructional rooms?
BTBMINIT1	No	TQM2B-08C	If computers are available, do any of the computers have access to the internet?
BTBMINIT2	No	TQM2B-08D	If computers are available, do you use the internet for instructional/educational purposes?
BTBMSRC1	Yes	TQM2B-09A	What is your main source when deciding which topics to teach?
BTBMSRC2	Yes	TQM2B-09B	What is your main source when deciding how to present a topic?
BTBMSRC3	Yes	TQM2B-09C	What is your main source when selecting practice exercises?
BTBMSRC4	Yes	TQM2B-09D	What is your main source when selecting exercises for assessment?
BTBMASK1	No	TQM2B-10A	How often do you ask students to explain reasoning behind an idea?
BTBMASK2	No	TQM2B-10B	How often do you ask students to use tables charts or graphs?
BTBMASK3	No	TQM2B-10C	How often do you ask students to work on problems with no obvious method of solution?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBMASK4	No	TQM2B-10D	How often do you ask students to use computers?
BTBMASK5	No	TQM2B-10E	How often do you ask students to write equations to represent relationships?
BTBMASK6	No	TQM2B-10F	How often do you ask students to practice computational skills?
BTBMASK7	No	TQM2B-10G	How often do you ask students to use graphing calculators?
BTBLES1	No	TQM2B-11A	In mathematics lessons how often do students work individually without assistance?
BTBLES2	No	TQM2B-11B	In mathematics lessons how often do students work individually with assistance?
BTBLES3	No	TQM2B-11C	In mathematics lessons how often do students work as a class with teacher leading?
BTBLES4	No	TQM2B-11D	In mathematics lessons how often do students work as a class with students responding to each other?
BTBLES5	No	TQM2B-11E	In mathematics lessons how often do students work in pairs without assistance?
BTBLES6	No	TQM2B-11F	In mathematics lessons how often do students work in pairs with assistance?
BTBMACT1	No	TQM2B-12A	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on administrative tasks?
BTBMACT2	No	TQM2B-12B	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on homework review?
BTBMACT3	No	TQM2B-12C	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on lecture-style presentation by the teacher?
BTBMACT4	No	TQM2B-12D	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on teacher-guided student practice?
BTBMACT5	No	TQM2B-12E	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on re-teaching and clarification?
BTBMACT6	No	TQM2B-12F	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on student independent practice?
BTBMACT7	No	TQM2B-12G	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on tests and quizzes?
BTBMACT8	No	TQM2B-12H	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on other?
BTBMTB01	No	TQM2B-13A01A	Whole numbers was taught before this year.
BTBMTT01	No	TQM2B-13A01B	How many periods was whole numbers taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTT01	No	TQM2B-13A01C	I do not know when whole numbers was taught.
BTBMTB02	No	TQM2B-13A02A	Understanding and representing common fractions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT02	No	TQM2B-13A02B	How many periods was understanding and representing common fractions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTT02	No	TQM2B-13A02C	I do not know when understanding and representing common fractions was taught.
BTBMTB03	No	TQM2B-13A03A	Computations with common fractions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT03	No	TQM2B-13A03B	How many periods was computations with common fractions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN03	No	TQM2B-13A03C	I do not know when computations with common fractions was taught.
BTBMTB04	No	TQM2B-13A04A	Understanding and representing decimal fractions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT04	No	TQM2B-13A04B	How many periods was understanding and representing decimal fractions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN04	No	TQM2B-13A04C	I do not know when understanding and representing decimal fractions was taught.
BTBMTB05	No	TQM2B-13A05A	Computations with decimal fractions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT05	No	TQM2B-13A05B	How many periods was computations with decimal fractions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN05	No	TQM2B-13A05C	I do not know when computations with decimal fractions was taught.
BTBMTB06	No	TQM2B-13A06A	Relationships between common and decimal fractions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT06	No	TQM2B-13A06B	How many periods was relationships between common and decimal fractions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN06	No	TQM2B-13A06C	I do not know when relationships between common and decimal fractions was taught.
BTBMTB07	No	TQM2B-13A07A	Rounding was taught before this year.
BTBMTT07	No	TQM2B-13A07B	How many periods was rounding taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN07	No	TQM2B-13A07C	I do not know when rounding was taught.
BTBMTB08	No	TQM2B-13A08A	Estimating was taught before this year.

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBMTT08	No	TQM2B-13A08B	How many periods was estimating taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN08	No	TQM2B-13A08C	I do not know when estimating was taught.
BTBMTB09	No	TQM2B-13A09A	Number lines was taught before this year.
BTBMTT09	No	TQM2B-13A09B	How many periods was number lines taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN09	No	TQM2B-13A09C	I do not know when number lines was taught.
BTBMTB10	No	TQM2B-13A10A	Computations with percentages was taught before this year.
BTBMTT10	No	TQM2B-13A10B	How many periods was computations with percentages taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN10	No	TQM2B-13A10C	I do not know when computations with percentages was taught.
BTBMTB11	No	TQM2B-13A11A	Simple computations with negative numbers was taught before this year.
BTBMTT11	No	TQM2B-13A11B	How many periods was simple computations with negative numbers taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN11	No	TQM2B-13A11C	I do not know when simple computations with negative numbers was taught.
BTBMTB12	No	TQM2B-13A12A	Square roots was taught before this year.
BTBMTT12	No	TQM2B-13A12B	How many periods was square roots taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN12	No	TQM2B-13A12C	I do not know when square roots was taught.
BTBMTB13	No	TQM2B-13B13A	Units of measurement was taught before this year.
BTBMTT13	No	TQM2B-13B13B	How many periods was units of measurement taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN13	No	TQM2B-13B13C	I do not know when units of measurements was taught.
BTBMTB14	No	TQM2B-13B14A	Reading measurement instruments was taught before this year.
BTBMTT14	No	TQM2B-13B14B	How many periods was reading measurement instruments taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN14	No	TQM2B-13B14C	I do not know when reading measurement instruments was taught.
BTBMTB15	No	TQM2B-13B15A	Estimates of measurement was taught before this year.
BTBMTT15	No	TQM2B-13B15B	How many periods was estimates of measurement taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN15	No	TQM2B-13B15C	I do not know when estimates of measurement was taught.
BTBMTB16	No	TQM2B-13B16A	Perimeter and area of simple shapes was taught before this year.
BTBMTT16	No	TQM2B-13B16B	How many periods was perimeter and area of simple shapes taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN16	No	TQM2B-13B16C	I do not know when perimeter and area of simple shapes was taught.
BTBMTB17	No	TQM2B-13B17A	Perimeter and area of combined shapes was taught before this year.
BTBMTT17	No	TQM2B-13B17B	How many periods was perimeter and area of combined shapes taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN17	No	TQM2B-13B17C	I do not know when perimeter and area of combined shapes was taught.
BTBMTB18	No	TQM2B-13B18A	Volume of rectangular solids was taught before this year.
BTBMTT18	No	TQM2B-13B18B	How many periods was volume of rectangular solids taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN18	No	TQM2B-13B18C	I do not know when volume of rectangular solids was taught.
BTBMTB19	No	TQM2B-13C19A	Cartesian coordinates was taught before this year.
BTBMTT19	No	TQM2B-13C19B	How many periods was Cartesian coordinates taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN19	No	TQM2B-13C19C	I do not know when Cartesian coordinates was taught.
BTBMTB20	No	TQM2B-13C20A	Coordinates of points was taught before this year.
BTBMTT20	No	TQM2B-13C20B	How many periods was coordinates of points taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTN20	No	TQM2B-13C20C	I do not know when coordinates of points was taught.
BTBMTB21	No	TQM2B-13C21A	Simple 2D geometry was taught before this year.
BTBMTT21	No	TQM2B-13C21B	How many periods was simple 2D geometry taught this year, if at all?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBMTNT21	No	TQM2B-13C21C	I do not know when simple 2D geometry was taught.
BTBMTB22	No	TQM2B-13C22A	Congruence and similarity was taught before this year.
BTBMTT22	No	TQM2B-13C22B	How many periods was congruence and similarity taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT22	No	TQM2B-13C22C	I do not know when congruence and similarity was taught.
BTBMTB23	No	TQM2B-13C23A	Symmetry and transformations was taught before this year.
BTBMTT23	No	TQM2B-13C23B	How many periods was symmetry and transformations taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT23	No	TQM2B-13C23C	I do not know when symmetry and transformations was taught.
BTBMTB24	No	TQM2B-13C24A	Visualization of 3D shapes was taught before this year.
BTBMTT24	No	TQM2B-13C24B	How many periods was visualization of 3D shapes taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT24	No	TQM2B-13C24C	I do not know when visualization of 3D shapes was taught.
BTBMTB25	No	TQM2B-13D25A	Scales applied to maps and models was taught before this year.
BTBMTT25	No	TQM2B-13D25B	How many periods was scales applied to maps and models taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT25	No	TQM2B-13D25C	I do not know when scales applied to maps and models was taught.
BTBMTB26	No	TQM2B-13D26A	Concepts of ratio and proportion was taught before this year.
BTBMTT26	No	TQM2B-13D26B	How many periods was concepts of ratio and proportion taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT26	No	TQM2B-13D26C	I do not know when concepts of ratio and proportion was taught.
BTBMTB27	No	TQM2B-13E27A	Number patterns was taught before this year.
BTBMTT27	No	TQM2B-13E27B	How many periods was number patterns taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT27	No	TQM2B-13E27C	I do not know when number patterns was taught.
BTBMTB28	No	TQM2B-13E28A	Simple algebraic expressions was taught before this year.
BTBMTT28	No	TQM2B-13E28B	How many periods was simple algebraic expressions taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT28	No	TQM2B-13E28C	I do not know when simple algebraic expressions was taught.
BTBMTB29	No	TQM2B-13E29A	Representing situations algebraically was taught before this year.
BTBMTT29	No	TQM2B-13E29B	How many periods was representing situations algebraically taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT29	No	TQM2B-13E29C	I do not know when representing situations algebraically was taught.
BTBMTB30	No	TQM2B-13E30A	Solving simple equations was taught before this year.
BTBMTT30	No	TQM2B-13E30B	How many periods was solving simple equations taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT30	No	TQM2B-13E30C	I do not know when solving simple equations was taught.
BTBMTB31	No	TQM2B-13E31A	Solving simple inequalities was taught before this year.
BTBMTT31	No	TQM2B-13E31B	How many periods was solving simple inequalities taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT31	No	TQM2B-13E31C	I do not know when solving simple inequalities was taught.
BTBMTB32	No	TQM2B-13F32A	Representation and interpretation of data was taught before this year.
BTBMTT32	No	TQM2B-13F32B	How many periods was representation and interpretation of data taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT32	No	TQM2B-13F32C	I do not know when representation and interpretation of data was taught.
BTBMTB33	No	TQM2B-13F33A	Arithmetic mean was taught before this year.
BTBMTT33	No	TQM2B-13F33B	How many periods was arithmetic mean taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT33	No	TQM2B-13F33C	I do not know when arithmetic mean was taught.
BTBMTB34	No	TQM2B-13F34A	Simple probabilities was taught before this year.
BTBMTT34	No	TQM2B-13F34B	How many periods was simple probabilities taught this year, if at all?
BTBMTNT34	No	TQM2B-13F34C	I do not know when simple probabilities was taught.

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Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire			
Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBMLM01	Yes	TQM2B-14A	Is your teaching limited by students with different academic abilities?
BTBMLM02	Yes	TQM2B-14B	Is your teaching limited by students from a wide range of backgrounds?
BTBMLM03	Yes	TQM2B-14C	Is your teaching limited by students with special needs?
BTBMLM04	Yes	TQM2B-14D	Is your teaching limited by uninterested students?
BTBMLM05	Yes	TQM2B-14E	Is your teaching limited by disruptive students?
BTBMLM06	Yes	TQM2B-14F	Is your teaching limited by parents interested in their children's progress?
BTBMLM07	Yes	TQM2B-14G	Is your teaching limited by parents uninterested in their children's progress?
BTBMLM08	Yes	TQM2B-14H	Is your teaching limited by shortage of computer hardware?
BTBMLM09	Yes	TQM2B-14I	Is your teaching limited by shortage of computer software?
BTBMLM10	Yes	TQM2B-14J	Is your teaching limited by shortage of other instructional equipment for student use?
BTBMLM11	Yes	TQM2B-14K	Is your teaching limited by shortage of equipment for demonstrations?
BTBMLM12	Yes	TQM2B-14L	Is your teaching limited by inadequate physical facilities?
BTBMLM13	Yes	TQM2B-14M	Is your teaching limited by high student/teacher ratio?
BTBMLM14	Yes	TQM2B-14N	Is your teaching limited by low morale among fellow teachers/administrators?
BTBMLM15	Yes	TQM2B-14O	Is your teaching limited by low morale among students?
BTBMLM16	Yes	TQM2B-14P	Is your teaching limited by threats to personal safety or students' safety?
BTBMHMW2	No	TQM2B-15	How often do you assign mathematics homework?
BTBMHWMA	No	TQM2B-16	How many minutes of homework do you usually assign?
BTBMMWKBR	No	TQM2B-17A	How often do you assign worksheets for homework?
BTBMPROR	No	TQM2B-17B	How often do you assign textbook problems for homework?
BTBMRER	No	TQM2B-17C	How often do you assign reading for homework?
BTBMRIRR	No	TQM2B-17D	How often do you assign writing for homework?
BTBMDATR	No	TQM2B-17E	How often do you assign small investigations for homework?
BTBMLEXR	No	TQM2B-17F	How often do you assign long term individual projects for homework?
BTBGMEXR	No	TQM2B-17G	How often do you assign long term small group projects for homework?
BTBMMFINR	No	TQM2B-17H	How often do students find uses of the content for homework?
BTBMMORAR	No	TQM2B-17I	How often do you have students prepare oral reports for homework?
BTBMMJORR	No	TQM2B-17J	How often do you assign journals for homework?
BTBMMWHNA	No	TQM2B-18	I do not assign written homework
BTBMMWHR1	No	TQM2B-18A	How often do you record whether or not homework was completed?
BTBMMWHR2	No	TQM2B-18B	How often do you collect correct and keep homework assignments?
BTBMMWHR3	No	TQM2B-18C	How often do you collect correct and return homework assignments?
BTBMMWHR4	No	TQM2B-18D	How often do you give feedback on homework to whole class?
BTBMMWHR5	No	TQM2B-18E	How often do you have students correct their own homework assignments in class?
BTBMMWHR6	No	TQM2B-18F	How often do you have students exchange homework assignments and correct them?
BTBMMWHR7	No	TQM2B-18G	How often do you use homework as a basis for class discussion?
BTBMMWHR8	No	TQM2B-18H	How often do you use homework to contribute towards students' grades?
BTBMMWGT1	No	TQM2B-19A	In assessment how much weight do you give standardized test produced outside the school?
BTBMMWGT2	No	TQM2B-19B	In assessment how much weight do you give teacher-made open-ended tests?
BTBMMWGT3	No	TQM2B-19C	In assessment how much weight do you give teacher-made multiple-choice tests?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire Location	Question
BTBMMWT4	No	TQM2B-19D	In assessment how much weight do you give homework assignments?
BTBMMWT5	No	TQM2B-19E	In assessment how much weight do you give laboratory exercises?
BTBMMWT6	No	TQM2B-19F	In assessment how much weight do you give observations of students?
BTBMMWT7	No	TQM2B-19G	In assessment how much weight do you give responses of students in class?
BTBGASS1	No	TQM2B-20A	How often do you use assessment information to provide grades for students?
BTBGASS2	No	TQM2B-20B	How often do you use assessment information to provide feedback to students?
BTBGASS3	No	TQM2B-20C	How often do you use assessment information to diagnose learning problems?
BTBGASS4	No	TQM2B-20D	How often do you use assessment information to report to parents?
BTBGASS5	No	TQM2B-20E	How often do you use assessment information to assign students to tracks?
BTBGASS6	No	TQM2B-20F	How often do you use assessment information to plan for future lessons?

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Science Teacher Questionnaire			
Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBGAGE	Yes	TQS2A-01	Teacher age
BTBGSEX	Yes	TQS2A-02	Teacher sex
BTBGTAG	Yes	TQS2A-03	By the end of this year how many years will you have been teaching?
BTBGTOTL	Yes	TQS2A-04	In a typical calendar week, for how many single periods are you formally scheduled?
BTBMSUB1	Yes	TQS2A-05A	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach mathematics?
BTBSSUB2	Yes	TQS2A-05B	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach general science?
BTBSSUB3	Yes	TQS2A-05C	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach physical science?
BTBSSUB4	Yes	TQS2A-05D	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach earth science?
BTBSSUB5	Yes	TQS2A-05E	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach life science?
BTBSSUB6	Yes	TQS2A-05F	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach biology?
BTBSSUB7	Yes	TQS2A-05G	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach chemistry?
BTBSSUB8	Yes	TQS2A-05H	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach physics?
BTBGSUB9	Yes	TQS2A-05I	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to teach other subjects?
BTBGTSK1	Yes	TQS2A-06A	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform student supervision?
BTBGTSK2	Yes	TQS2A-06B	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform student counseling/appraisal?
BTBGTSK3	Yes	TQS2A-06C	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform administrative duties?
BTBGTSK4	Yes	TQS2A-06D	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform individual curriculum planning?
BTBGTSK5	Yes	TQS2A-06E	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform cooperative curriculum planning?
BTBGTSK6	Yes	TQS2A-06F	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform other non-student contact time?
BTBGTSK7	No	TQS2A-06G	In a typical calendar week how many periods are you scheduled to perform other tasks?
BTBGACT1	Yes	TQS2A-07A	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week preparing or grading exams?
BTBGACT2	Yes	TQS2A-07B	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week grading other work?
BTBGACT3	Yes	TQS2A-07C	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week planning lessons?
BTBGACT4	Yes	TQS2A-07D	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week meeting with students?
BTBGACT5	Yes	TQS2A-07E	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week meeting with parents?
BTBGACT6	Yes	TQS2A-07F	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week in professional development?
BTBGACT7	Yes	TQS2A-07G	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week keeping records?
BTBGACT8	Yes	TQS2A-07H	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week on administrative tasks?
BTBGACT9	No	TQS2A-07I	How many hours outside the school day do you spend per week on other activities?
BTBGALTO	No	TQS2A-08	How many hours per week do you normally spend on your teaching activities altogether?
BTBGMEET	Yes	TQS2A-09	How often do you meet with other teachers to discuss curriculum or teaching issues?
BTBGINF1	Yes	TQS2A-10A	How much influence do you have on subject matter to be taught?
BTBGINF2	Yes	TQS2A-10B	How much influence do you have on textbooks to be used?
BTBGINF3	Yes	TQS2A-10C	How much influence do you have on the amount of money to be spent on supplies?
BTBGINF4	Yes	TQS2A-10D	How much influence do you have on what supplies are purchased?
BTBSIMP1	Yes	TQS2A-11A	To be good in science how important is it to remember formulas and procedures?
BTBSIMP2	Yes	TQS2A-11B	To be good in science how important is it to think in a sequential & procedural manner?
BTBSIMP3	Yes	TQS2A-11C	To be good in science how important is it to understand scientific concepts?
BTBSIMP4	Yes	TQS2A-11D	To be good in science how important is it to think creatively?
BTBSIMP5	Yes	TQS2A-11E	To be good in science how important is it to understand real world use?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBSIMP6	Yes	TQS2A-11F	To be good in science how important is it to be able to provide reasons to support solutions?
BTBSAGR1	Yes	TQS2A-12A	Science is primarily an abstract subject.
BTBSAGR2	Yes	TQS2A-12B	Science is primarily a formal way of representing the real world.
BTBSAGR3	Yes	TQS2A-12C	Science is primarily a practical and structured guide for addressing real situations.
BTBSAGR4	Yes	TQS2A-12D	Some students have a natural talent for science and others do not.
BTBSAGR5	Yes	TQS2A-12E	It is important for teachers to give students prescriptive directions for doing science experiments.
BTBSAGR6	Yes	TQS2A-12F	Focusing on rules gives students the impression that the sciences are a set of procedures.
BTBSAGR7	Yes	TQS2A-12G	If students get into debates about ideas in sciences it can harm their learning.
BTBSAGR8	Yes	TQS2A-12H	Students see a science task as the same task when it is represented in two different ways.
BTBSAGR9	Yes	TQS2A-12I	A liking for and understanding of students are essential for teaching science.
BTBSFAM1	Yes	TQS2A-13A	How familiar are you with the <national curriculum guide for science>?
BTBSFAM2	Yes	TQS2A-13B	How familiar are you with the <regional curriculum guide for science>?
BTBGFAM3	Yes	TQS2A-13C	How familiar are you with the <school curriculum guide>?
BTBGFAM4	Yes	TQS2A-13D	How familiar are you with the <national examination specifications>?
BTBGFAM5	Yes	TQS2A-13E	How familiar are you with the <regional examination specifications>?
BTBSFAM6	Yes	TQS2A-13F	How familiar are you with the <national pedagogy guide for science>?
BTBSFAM7	Yes	TQS2A-13G	How familiar are you with the <regional pedagogy guide for science>?
BTBSFP01	No	TQS2A-14A	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach earth science-earth's features?
BTBSFP02	No	TQS2A-14B	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach earth science-the solar system?
BTBSFP03	No	TQS2A-14C	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach biology-structure and function?
BTBSFP04	No	TQS2A-14D	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach biology-diversity, structure and processes?
BTBSFP05	No	TQS2A-14E	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach chemistry-classification and structure?
BTBSFP06	No	TQS2A-14F	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach chemistry-chemical reactivity?
BTBSFP07	No	TQS2A-14G	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach physics-types of energy?
BTBSFP08	No	TQS2A-14H	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach physics-light?
BTBSFP09	No	TQS2A-14I	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach environmental and resource issues?
BTBSFP10	No	TQS2A-14J	How well prepared do you feel you are to teach scientific method and inquiry skills?
BTBGEDUC	Yes	TQS2A-15	What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?
BTBGTRAC	No	TQS2A-16A	Do you have a teacher training certificate?
BTBGYETR	No	TQS2A-16B	How many years of pre-service teacher training have you had?
BTBGPRTTR	No	TQS2A-16C	If you have had pre-service teacher training, did you begin this training in secondary?
BTBGCMAS	No	TQS2A-17	I do not have a BA or equivalent?
BTBGCMA1	No	TQS2A-17A	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study mathematics?
BTBGCMA2	No	TQS2A-17B	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study biology?
BTBGCMA3	No	TQS2A-17C	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study physics?
BTBGCMA4	No	TQS2A-17D	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study chemistry?
BTBGCMA5	No	TQS2A-17E	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study education?
BTBGCMA6	No	TQS2A-17F	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study mathematics education?
BTBGCMA7	No	TQS2A-17G	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study science education?
BTBGCMA8	No	TQS2A-17H	While studying to obtain your BA, was your major area of study other?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBGMMAS	No	TQS2A-18	I do not have a master's degree?
BTBGMMA1	No	TQS2A-18A	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study mathematics?
BTBGMMA2	No	TQS2A-18B	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study biology?
BTBGMMA3	No	TQS2A-18C	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study physics?
BTBGMMA4	No	TQS2A-18D	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study chemistry?
BTBGMMA5	No	TQS2A-18E	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study education?
BTBGMMA6	No	TQS2A-18F	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study mathematics education?
BTBGMMA7	No	TQS2A-18G	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study science education?
BTBGMMA8	No	TQS2A-18H	If you have a master's degree, was your major area of study other?
BTBGCARE	Yes	TQS2A-19	Was teaching your first choice as a career when beginning university or teacher education college?
BTBGCHNG	Yes	TQS2A-20	Would you change to another career if you had the opportunity?
BTBGSOAP	Yes	TQS2A-21	Do you think that society appreciates your work?
BTBGSTAP	Yes	TQS2A-22	Do you think your students appreciate your work?
BTBGBOOK	Yes	TQS2A-23	Approximately how many books are in your home?
BTBSBOY	Yes	TQS2B-01A	How many boys are in your class?
BTBSGIRL	Yes	TQS2B-01B	How many girls are in your class?
BTBSSMEC	No	TQS2B-02	What subject matter do you emphasize most in your science class?
BTBSTMTE	Yes	TQS2B-03	How many minutes per week do you teach science to your class?
BTBSTSXBK	Yes	TQS2B-04A	Do you use a textbook in teaching science to your class?
BTBSTSXR	No	TQS2B-04B	If yes to 4A, what percentage of your teaching time is based on the text?
BTBSCUDL	No	TQS2B-05	Do the students in your science class have calculators available to use during science lessons?
BTBSWECP	No	TQS2B-06	To what extent are the students in your science class permitted to use calculators in science lessons?
BTBSCAL1	Yes	TQS2B-07A	How often do students in your science class use calculators for checking answers?
BTBSCAL2	Yes	TQS2B-07B	How often do students in your science class use calculators for tests and exams?
BTBSCAL3	Yes	TQS2B-07C	How often do students in your science class use calculators for routine computation?
BTBSCAL4	Yes	TQS2B-07D	How often do students in your science class use calculators for solving complex problems?
BTBSCAL5	Yes	TQS2B-07E	How often do students in your science class use calculators for exploring number concepts?
BTBSCOM1	No	TQS2B-08A	Do the students in your science class have computers available to use in the classroom?
BTBSCOM2	No	TQS2B-08B	Do the students in your science class have computers available to use in other instructional rooms?
BTBSCINT1	No	TQS2B-08C	If computers are available, do any of the computers have access to the internet?
BTBSCINT2	No	TQS2B-08D	If computers are available, do you use the internet for instructional/educational purposes?
BTBSSRC1	Yes	TQS2B-09A	What is your main source when deciding which topics to teach?
BTBSSRC2	Yes	TQS2B-09B	What is your main source when deciding how to present a topic?
BTBSSRC3	Yes	TQS2B-09C	What is your main source when selecting practice exercises?
BTBSSRC4	Yes	TQS2B-09D	What is your main source when selecting exercises for assessment?
BTBASK1	No	TQS2B-10A	In your science lessons how often do you ask students to explain reasoning behind an idea?
BTBASK2	No	TQS2B-10B	In your science lessons how often do you ask students to use tables or graphs?
BTBASK3	No	TQS2B-10C	How often do you ask students to work on problems with no obvious method of solution?
BTBASK4	No	TQS2B-10D	How often do you ask students to use computers?
BTBASK5	No	TQS2B-10E	How often do you ask students to write explanations of what was observed and why?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBSASK6	No	TQSB-10F	How often do you ask students to put events in order and give a reason?
BTBSASK7	No	TQSB-10G	How often do you ask students to use graphing calculators to solve exercises or problems?
BTBSLES1	No	TQSB-11A	In science lessons how often do students work individually without assistance?
BTBSLES2	No	TQSB-11B	In science lessons how often do students work individually with assistance?
BTBSLES3	No	TQSB-11C	In science lessons how often do students work as a class with teacher leading?
BTBSLES4	No	TQSB-11D	In science lessons how often do students work as a class with students responding to each other?
BTBSLES5	No	TQSB-11E	In science lessons how often do students work in pairs without assistance?
BTBSLES6	No	TQSB-11F	In science lessons how often do students work in pairs with assistance?
BTBSAC01	No	TQSB-12A	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on administrative tasks?
BTBSAC02	No	TQSB-12B	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on homework review?
BTBSAC03	No	TQSB-12C	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on lecture-style presentation by the teacher?
BTBSAC04	No	TQSB-12D	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on teacher-guided student practice?
BTBSAC05	No	TQSB-12E	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on re-teaching and clarification?
BTBSAC06	No	TQSB-12F	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on student independent practice?
BTBSAC07	No	TQSB-12G	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on tests and quizzes?
BTBSAC08	No	TQSB-12H	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on teacher demonstration of experiments?
BTBSAC09	No	TQSB-12I	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on students conducting experiments?
BTBSAC10	No	TQSB-12J	In a typical month of lessons, what percentage of time is spent on other?
BTBSTB01	No	TQSB-13A01A	The earth's physical features was taught before this year.
BTBSTT01	No	TQSB-13A01B	How many periods was the earth's physical features taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT01	No	TQSB-13A01C	I do not know when the earth's physical features was taught.
BTBSTB02	No	TQSB-13A02A	The earth's atmosphere was taught before this year.
BTBSTT02	No	TQSB-13A02B	How many periods was the earth's atmosphere taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT02	No	TQSB-13A02C	I do not know when the earth's atmosphere was taught.
BTBSTB03	No	TQSB-13A03A	The earth's processes and history was taught before this year.
BTBSTT03	No	TQSB-13A03B	How many periods was the earth's processes and history taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT03	No	TQSB-13A03C	I do not know when the earth's processes and history was taught.
BTBSTB04	No	TQSB-13A04A	The earth in the solar system and the universe was taught before this year.
BTBSTT04	No	TQSB-13A04B	How many periods was the earth in the solar system and the universe taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT04	No	TQSB-13A04C	I do not know when the earth in the solar system and the universe was taught.
BTBSTB05	No	TQSB-13B05A	The human body - structure and function was taught before this year.
BTBSTT05	No	TQSB-13B05B	How many periods was the human body - structure and function taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT05	No	TQSB-13B05C	I do not know when the human body - structure and function was taught.
BTBSTB06	No	TQSB-13B06A	The human bodily processes was taught before this year.
BTBSTT06	No	TQSB-13B06B	How many periods was the human bodily processes taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT06	No	TQSB-13B06C	I do not know when the human bodily processes was taught.
BTBSTB07	No	TQSB-13B07A	Human nutrition was taught before this year.
BTBSTT07	No	TQSB-13B07B	How many periods was human nutrition taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT07	No	TQSB-13B07C	I do not know when human nutrition was taught.
BTBSTB08	No	TQSB-13B08A	The biology of plant and animal life was taught before this year.

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Science Teacher Questionnaire Location	Question
BTBSTIT08	No	TQSQSB-13B08B	How many periods was the biology of plant and animal life taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT08	No	TQSQSB-13B08C	I do not know when the biology of plant and animal life was taught.
BTBSTIT09	No	TQSQSB-13B09A	The interactions of living things was taught before this year.
BTBSNT09	No	TQSQSB-13B09B	How many periods was the interactions of living things taught this year, if at all?
BTBSTIT10	No	TQSQSB-13B09C	I do not know when the interactions of living things was taught.
BTBSTIT10	No	TQSQSB-13B10A	Reproduction, genetics, evolution and speciation was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT10	No	TQSQSB-13B10B	How many periods was reproduction, genetics, evolution and speciation taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT10	No	TQSQSB-13B10C	I do not know when reproduction, genetics, evolution and speciation was taught.
BTBSTIT11	No	TQSQSB-13C11A	Classification of matter was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT11	No	TQSQSB-13C11B	How many periods was the classification of matter taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT11	No	TQSQSB-13C11C	I do not know when the classification of matter was taught.
BTBSTIT12	No	TQSQSB-13C12A	Structure of matter was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT12	No	TQSQSB-13C12B	How many periods was the structure of matter taught this year, if at all?
BTBSTIT12	No	TQSQSB-13C12C	I do not know when the structure of matter was taught.
BTBSTIT13	No	TQSQSB-13C13A	Chemical reactivity and transformations was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT13	No	TQSQSB-13C13B	How many periods was chemical reactivity and transformations taught this year, if at all?
BTBSTIT13	No	TQSQSB-13C13C	I do not know when chemical reactivity and transformations was taught.
BTBSTIT14	No	TQSQSB-13C14A	Energy and chemical change was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT14	No	TQSQSB-13C14B	How many periods was energy and chemical change taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT14	No	TQSQSB-13C14C	I do not know when energy and chemical change was taught.
BTBSTIT15	No	TQSQSB-13D15A	The physical properties of matter was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT15	No	TQSQSB-13D15B	How many periods was the physical properties of matter taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT15	No	TQSQSB-13D15C	I do not know when the physical properties of matter was taught.
BTBSTIT16	No	TQSQSB-13D16A	Subatomic particles was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT16	No	TQSQSB-13D16B	How many periods was subatomic particles taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT16	No	TQSQSB-13D16C	I do not know when subatomic particles was taught.
BTBSTIT17	No	TQSQSB-13D17A	Energy types was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT17	No	TQSQSB-13D17B	How many periods was energy types taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT17	No	TQSQSB-13D17C	I do not know when energy types was taught.
BTBSTIT18	No	TQSQSB-13D18A	Heat and temperature was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT18	No	TQSQSB-13D18B	How many periods was heat and temperature taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT18	No	TQSQSB-13D18C	I do not know when heat and temperature was taught.
BTBSTIT19	No	TQSQSB-13D19A	Wave phenomena was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT19	No	TQSQSB-13D19B	How many periods was wave phenomena taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT19	No	TQSQSB-13D19C	I do not know when wave phenomena was taught.
BTBSTIT20	No	TQSQSB-13D20A	Light was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT20	No	TQSQSB-13D20B	How many periods was light taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT20	No	TQSQSB-13D20C	I do not know when light was taught.
BTBSTIT21	No	TQSQSB-13D21A	Electricity and magnetism was taught before this year.
BTBSTIT21	No	TQSQSB-13D21B	How many periods was electricity and magnetism taught this year, if at all?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBSNT21	No	TQSB-13D21C	I do not know when electricity and magnetism was taught.
BTBSTB22	No	TQSB-13D22A	Forces and motion was taught before this year.
BTBSTT22	No	TQSB-13D22B	How many periods was forces and motion taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT22	No	TQSB-13D22C	I do not know when forces and motion was taught.
BTBSTB23	No	TQSB-13E23A	Pollution was taught before this year.
BTBSTT23	No	TQSB-13E23B	How many periods was pollution taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT23	No	TQSB-13E23C	I do not know when pollution was taught.
BTBSTB24	No	TQSB-13E24A	Conservation of natural resources was taught before this year.
BTBSTT24	No	TQSB-13E24B	How many periods was conservation of natural resources taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT24	No	TQSB-13E24C	I do not know when conservation of natural resources was taught.
BTBSTB25	No	TQSB-13E25A	Food supply and production was taught before this year.
BTBSTT25	No	TQSB-13E25B	How many periods was food supply and production taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT25	No	TQSB-13E25C	I do not know when food supply and production was taught.
BTBSTB26	No	TQSB-13E26A	Scientific method was taught before this year.
BTBSTT26	No	TQSB-13E26B	How many periods was scientific method taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT26	No	TQSB-13F27A	I do not know when scientific method was taught.
BTBSTB27	No	TQSB-13F27B	Experimental design was taught before this year.
BTBSTT27	No	TQSB-13F27C	How many periods was experimental design taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT27	No	TQSB-13F27D	I do not know when experimental design was taught.
BTBSTB28	No	TQSB-13F28A	Scientific measurements was taught before this year.
BTBSTT28	No	TQSB-13F28B	How many periods was scientific measurements taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT28	No	TQSB-13F28C	I do not know when scientific measurements was taught.
BTBSTB29	No	TQSB-13F29A	Using scientific apparatus was taught before this year.
BTBSTT29	No	TQSB-13F29B	How many periods was using scientific apparatus taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT29	No	TQSB-13F29C	I do not know when using scientific apparatus was taught.
BTBSTB30	No	TQSB-13F30A	Gathering data was taught before this year.
BTBSTT30	No	TQSB-13F30B	How many periods was gathering data taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT30	No	TQSB-13F30C	I do not know when gathering data was taught.
BTBSTB31	No	TQSB-13F31A	Describing data was taught before this year.
BTBSTT31	No	TQSB-13F31B	How many periods was describing data taught this year, if at all?
BTBSNT31	No	TQSB-13F31C	I do not know when describing data was taught.
BTBSLM01	Yes	TQSB-14A	Is your teaching limited by students with different academic abilities?
BTBSLM02	Yes	TQSB-14B	Is your teaching limited by students from a wide range of backgrounds?
BTBSLM03	Yes	TQSB-14C	Is your teaching limited by students with special needs?
BTBSLM04	Yes	TQSB-14D	Is your teaching limited by uninterested students?
BTBSLM05	Yes	TQSB-14E	Is your teaching limited by disruptive students?
BTBSLM06	Yes	TQSB-14F	Is your teaching limited by parents interested in their children's progress?
BTBSLM07	Yes	TQSB-14G	Is your teaching limited by parents uninterested in their children's progress?
BTBSLM08	Yes	TQSB-14H	Is your teaching limited by shortage of computer hardware?
BTBSLM09	Yes	TQSB-14I	Is your teaching limited by shortage of computer software?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Location	Question
BTBSLM10	Yes	TQS2B-14J	Is your teaching limited by shortage of other instructional equipment for student use?
BTBSLM11	Yes	TQS2B-14K	Is your teaching limited by shortage of equipment for demonstrations?
BTBSLM12	Yes	TQS2B-14L	Is your teaching limited by inadequate physical facilities?
BTBSLM13	Yes	TQS2B-14M	Is your teaching limited by high student/teacher ratio?
BTBSLM14	Yes	TQS2B-14N	Is your teaching limited by low morale among fellow teachers/administrators?
BTBSLM15	Yes	TQS2B-14O	Is your teaching limited by low morale among students?
BTBSLM16	Yes	TQS2B-14P	Is your teaching limited by threats to personal safety or students' safety?
BTBSHMW2	No	TQS2B-15	How often do you assign science homework?
BTBSHWA	No	TQS2B-16	How many minutes of homework do you usually assign?
BTBSWKBR	No	TQS2B-17A	How often do you assign worksheets for homework?
BTBSPROR	No	TQS2B-17B	How often do you assign textbook problems for homework?
BTBSREAR	No	TQS2B-17C	How often do you assign reading for homework?
BTBSWRIR	No	TQS2B-17D	How often do you assign writing for homework?
BTBSDATR	No	TQS2B-17E	How often do you assign small investigations for homework?
BTBSIEXR	No	TQS2B-17F	How often do you assign long term individual projects for homework?
BTBSGEXR	No	TQS2B-17G	How often do you assign long term small group projects for homework?
BTBSFINR	No	TQS2B-17H	How often do you have students find uses of the content for homework?
BTBSORAR	No	TQS2B-17I	How often do you have students prepare oral reports for homework?
BTBSJORR	No	TQS2B-17J	How often do you assign journals for homework?
BTBSWHNA	No	TQS2B-18	I do not assign written homework
BTBSWHR1	No	TQS2B-18A	How often do you record whether or not homework was completed?
BTBSWHR2	No	TQS2B-18B	How often do you collect correct and keep homework assignments?
BTBSWHR3	No	TQS2B-18C	How often do you collect correct and return homework assignments?
BTBSWHR4	No	TQS2B-18D	How often do you give feedback on homework to whole class?
BTBSWHR5	No	TQS2B-18E	How often do you have students correct their own homework assignments in class?
BTBSWHR6	No	TQS2B-18F	How often do you have students exchange homework assignments and correct them?
BTBSWHR7	No	TQS2B-18G	How often do you use homework as a basis for class discussion?
BTBSWHR8	No	TQS2B-18H	How often do you use homework to contribute towards students' grades?
BTBSWGT1	No	TQS2B-19A	In assessment how much weight do you give standardized tests produced outside the school?
BTBSWGT2	No	TQS2B-19B	In assessment how much weight do you give teacher-made open-ended tests?
BTBSWGT3	No	TQS2B-19C	In assessment how much weight do you give teacher-made multiple-choice tests?
BTBSWGT4	No	TQS2B-19D	In assessment how much weight do you give homework assignments?
BTBSWGT5	No	TQS2B-19E	In assessment how much weight do you give laboratory exercises?
BTBSWGT6	No	TQS2B-19F	In assessment how much weight do you give observations of students?
BTBSWGT7	No	TQS2B-19G	In assessment how much weight do you give responses of students in class?
BTBGASS1	No	TQS2B-20A	How often do you use assessment information to provide grades for students?
BTBGASS2	No	TQS2B-20B	How often do you use assessment information to provide feedback to students?
BTBGASS3	No	TQS2B-20C	How often do you use assessment information to diagnose learning problems?
BTBGASS4	No	TQS2B-20D	How often do you use assessment information to report to parents?
BTBGASS5	No	TQS2B-20E	How often do you use assessment information to assign students to tracks?

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Variable Name	Available In 1995	Science Teacher Questionnaire	
		Location	Question
BTBGASS6	No	TQSCB-20F	How often do you use assessment information to plan for future lessons?

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School			
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question
BCBGCOMM	Yes	SCQ2-01	In what type of community is your school located?
BCBGFTE1	Yes	SCQ2-02A	How many principals are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE2	Yes	SCQ2-02B	How many assistant principals are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE3	Yes	SCQ2-02C	How many department heads are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE4	Yes	SCQ2-02D	How many <classroom teachers> are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE5	Yes	SCQ2-02E	How many teacher aides are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE6	Yes	SCQ2-02F	How many laboratory technicians are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE7	Yes	SCQ2-02G	How many learning specialists are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGFTE8	Yes	SCQ2-02H	How many other professional staff members are on the staff of your school? (in FTE)
BCBGPTE	Yes	SCQ2-03A	How many individual full-time <classroom teacher> are there in your school?
BCBGPTE	Yes	SCQ2-03B	How many individual part-time <classroom teachers> are there in your school?
BCBGTSE5Y	Yes	SCQ2-04	What percentage of the <classroom teachers> have been at your school for 5 or more years?
BCBMSTA1	No	SCQ2-05A	How long do students in your school typically stay with the mathematics teacher?
BCBSTSAA2	No	SCQ2-05B	How long do students in your school typically stay with the <general/integrated science> teacher?
BCBSTSAA3	No	SCQ2-05C	How long do students in your school typically stay with the <biology> teacher?
BCBSTSAA4	No	SCQ2-05D	How long do students in your school typically stay with the <chemistry> teacher?
BCBSTSAA5	No	SCQ2-05E	How long do students in your school typically stay with the <earth science> teacher?
BCBSTSAA6	No	SCQ2-05F	How long do students in your school typically stay with the <physics> teacher?
BCBGCOL1	Yes	SCQ2-06A	Does your school have policy promoting cooperation and collaboration among teachers?
BCBGCOL2	Yes	SCQ2-06B	Are teachers encouraged to share and discuss instructional ideas and materials?
BCBGCOL3	Yes	SCQ2-06C	Do teachers in your school meet regularly to discuss instructional goals and issues?
BCBGAC01	Yes	SCQ2-07A	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on hiring teachers?
BCBGAC02	Yes	SCQ2-07B	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on representing school in community?
BCBGAC03	Yes	SCQ2-07C	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on representing school at official meetings?
BCBGAC04	Yes	SCQ2-07D	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on internal administrative tasks?
BCBGAC05	Yes	SCQ2-07E	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on teaching?
BCBGAC06	Yes	SCQ2-07F	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on giving demonstration lessons?
BCBGAC07	Yes	SCQ2-07G	As principal how many hours per month do you spend discussing educational objectives w/ teachers?
BCBGAC08	Yes	SCQ2-07H	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on initiating curriculum revision/planning?
BCBGAC09	Yes	SCQ2-07I	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on talking with parents?
BCBGAC10	Yes	SCQ2-07J	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on counseling/disciplining students?
BCBGAC11	Yes	SCQ2-07K	How many hours per month do you spend responding to requests from state education officials?
BCBGAC12	Yes	SCQ2-07L	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on training teachers?
BCBGAC13	Yes	SCQ2-07M	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on professional development activities?
BCBGAC14	Yes	SCQ2-07N	As principal how many hours per month do you spend on other activities?
BCBGRP01	Yes	SCQ2-08A	In your school who has primary responsibility for hiring teachers?
BCBGRP02	Yes	SCQ2-08B	In your school who has primary responsibility for establishing disciplinary policies?
BCBGRP03	Yes	SCQ2-08C	In your school who has primary responsibility for establishing student grading policies?
BCBGRP04	Yes	SCQ2-08D	In your school who has primary responsibility for formulating the school budget?
BCBGRP05	Yes	SCQ2-08E	In your school who has primary responsibility for purchasing supplies?

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School			
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question
BCBGRP06	Yes	SCQ2-08F	In your school who has primary responsibility for placing students in classes?
BCBGRP07	Yes	SCQ2-08G	In your school who has primary responsibility for assigning teachers to classes?
BCBGRP08	Yes	SCQ2-08H	In your school who has primary responsibility for choosing textbooks?
BCBGRP09	Yes	SCQ2-08I	In your school who has primary responsibility for establishing homework policies?
BCBGRP10	Yes	SCQ2-08J	In your school who has primary responsibility for determining teacher salaries?
BCBGRP11	Yes	SCQ2-08K	In your school who has primary responsibility for establishing community relationships?
BCBGRP12	Yes	SCQ2-08L	In your school who has primary responsibility for communicating with students' families?
BCBGRP13	Yes	SCQ2-08M	In your school who has primary responsibility for determining course content?
BCBGRP14	Yes	SCQ2-08N	In your school who has primary responsibility for determining course offerings?
BCBGF01	Yes	SCQ2-09A	How much influence does the <National Curriculum Council> have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF02	Yes	SCQ2-09B	How much influence does the <National Subject Association> have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF03	Yes	SCQ2-09C	How much influence does the <educational districts> have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF04	Yes	SCQ2-09D	How much influence does the <school governing board> have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF05	Yes	SCQ2-09E	How much influence does the principal/head of school have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF06	Yes	SCQ2-09F	How much influence do teachers collectively have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF07	Yes	SCQ2-09G	How much influence do teachers of a subject have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF08	Yes	SCQ2-09H	How much influence do individual teachers have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF09	Yes	SCQ2-09I	How much influence do parents have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF10	Yes	SCQ2-09J	How much influence do students have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF11	Yes	SCQ2-09K	How much influence do church/religious groups have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF12	Yes	SCQ2-09L	How much influence does business community have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF13	Yes	SCQ2-09M	How much influence do textbook publishers have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF14	Yes	SCQ2-09N	How much influence do external exams/standardized tests have in determining curriculum?
BCBGF15	Yes	SCQ2-09O	How much influence do teacher unions have in determining curriculum?
BCBMCURR	Yes	SCQ2-10A	Does your school have its own written statement of the mathematics content to be taught?
BCBSCURR	Yes	SCQ2-10B	Does your school have its own written statement of the science content to be taught?
BCBMDVLP	No	SCQ2-11A	Has your school developed learning materials to address mathematics taught?
BCBSDVLP	No	SCQ2-11B	Has your school developed learning materials to address science taught?
BCBGST01	Yes	SCQ2-12A	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of instructional materials?
BCBGST02	Yes	SCQ2-12B	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of budget for supplies?
BCBGST03	Yes	SCQ2-12C	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of school buildings and grounds?
BCBGST04	Yes	SCQ2-12D	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of heating and lighting system?
BCBGST05	Yes	SCQ2-12E	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of instructional space?
BCBGST06	Yes	SCQ2-12F	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of equipment for handicapped pupils?
BCBMST07	Yes	SCQ2-12G	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of computers for maths instruction?
BCBMST08	Yes	SCQ2-12H	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of software for maths instruction?
BCBMST09	Yes	SCQ2-12I	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of calculators for maths instruction?
BCBMST10	Yes	SCQ2-12J	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of library tools for maths instruction?
BCBMST11	Yes	SCQ2-12K	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of A-V resources for maths instruction?
BCBSST12	Yes	SCQ2-12L	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of science laboratory equipment?

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School			
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question
BCBSST13	Yes	SCQ2-12M	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of computers for science instruction?
BCBSST14	Yes	SCQ2-12N	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of software for science instruction?
BCBSST15	Yes	SCQ2-12O	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of calculators for science instruction?
BCBSST16	Yes	SCQ2-12P	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of library tools relevant to science instruction?
BCBSST17	Yes	SCQ2-12Q	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of A-V resources for science instruction?
BCBSST18	No	SCQ2-12R	Is your school's instructional capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach maths?
BCBSST19	No	SCQ2-12S	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach general/integrated?
BCBSST20	No	SCQ2-12T	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach biology?
BCBSST21	No	SCQ2-12U	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach chemistry?
BCBSST22	No	SCQ2-12V	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach earth science?
BCBSST23	No	SCQ2-12W	Is your school's capacity affected by inadequacy of teachers qualified to teach physics?
BCBGBENR	Yes	SCQ2-13A1	How many boys attend your school?
BCBGGENDR	Yes	SCQ2-13A2	How many girls attend your school?
BCBGABST	Yes	SCQ2-13B	What percentage of students are absent on a typical day?
BCBGENDY	Yes	SCQ2-13C	What percentage of students who begin the year in your school also finish in your school?
BCBGTNSF	Yes	SCQ2-13D	What percentage of students in your school transfer in after the beginning of school year?
BCBGUBER	Yes	SCQ2-14A1	How many boys are in upper grade?
BCBUGER	Yes	SCQ2-14A2	How many girls are in upper grade?
BCBGUBRT	Yes	SCQ2-14B1	How many boys in upper grade are repeating the grade?
BCBGUGRT	Yes	SCQ2-14B2	How many girls in upper grade are repeating the grade?
BCBGUSIZ	Yes	SCQ2-14C	What is the approximate average class size in upper grade?
BCBGUMGR	Yes	SCQ2-14D	How many upper grade students are in multi-grade classrooms?
BCBGCMP1	No	SCQ2-15A	What is the no of computers that can be used by students in u-grade for instructional activities?
BCBGCMP2	No	SCQ2-15B	What is the no of computers (other than above) that can be used by u-grade teachers for teaching?
BCBGCMP3	No	SCQ2-15C	What is the no of computers that can be used by either students or teachers for instructional purposes?
BCBGIACC	No	SCQ2-16	Does your school have Internet access for instructional/educational purposes?
BCBGACPL	No	SCQ2-16A	If your school have no access to Internet, is it planning to get Internet access?
BCBGACYE	No	SCQ2-16B	If your school is planning to get Internet access, when do you expect it to get Internet access?
BCBGNAC2	No	SCQ2-16C	If your school have access to Internet what percentage of the computers in Q15 have access to email?
BCBGNAC3	No	SCQ2-16D	If your school have access to Internet what percentage of the computers in Q15 have access to www?
BCBGWB1	No	SCQ2-16E	If your school have access to Internet, has it made information about the school available on www?
BCBGWB2	No	SCQ2-16F	If your school have access to Internet, has it made maths curriculum guidelines available on www?
BCBGWB3	No	SCQ2-16G	If your school have access to Internet, has it made science curriculum guidelines available on www?
BCBGWB4	No	SCQ2-16H	If your school have access to Internet, has it made maths instructional activities available on www?
BCBGWB5	No	SCQ2-16I	If your school have access to Internet has it made science instruction activities available on www?
BCBGUF01	No	SCQ2-17A1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with u-grade students' being late at school?
BCBGUS01	No	SCQ2-17A2	To what extent does upper grade students' arrive late at school present a problem in your school?
BCBGUF02	No	SCQ2-17B1	How often does school administration or staff have to deal with u-grade students' absenteeism?
BCBGUS02	No	SCQ2-17B2	To what extent does u-grade students' unjustifiable absenteeism present a problem in your school?
BCBGUF03	No	SCQ2-17C1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with u-grade students' skipping classes?

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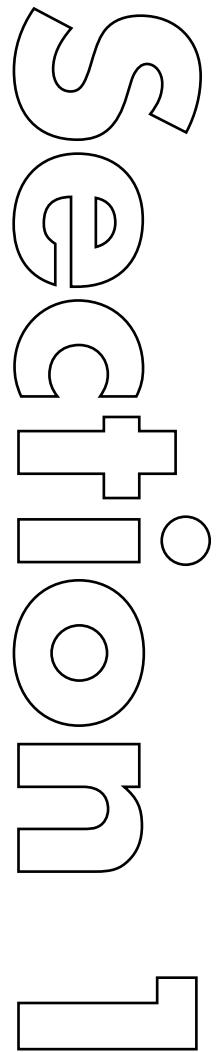
		School		
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question	
BCBGUS03	No	SCQ2-17C2	To what extent does upper grade students' skipping class periods present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF04	No	SCQ2-17D1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with u-grade students' violating dress code?	
BCBGUS04	No	SCQ2-17D2	To what extent does upper grade students' violating the dress code present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF05	No	SCQ2-17E1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with class disturbance by u-grade pupils?	
BCBGUS05	No	SCQ2-17E2	To what extent does classroom disturbance by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF06	No	SCQ2-17F1	How often does school administration or staff have to deal with cheating by upper grade students?	
BCBGUS06	No	SCQ2-17F2	To what extent does cheating by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF07	No	SCQ2-17G1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with use of profanity by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS07	No	SCQ2-17G2	To what extent does profanity by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF08	No	SCQ2-17H1	How often does school administration or staff have to deal with vandalism by upper grade students?	
BCBGUS08	No	SCQ2-17H2	To what extent does vandalism by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF09	No	SCQ2-17I1	How often does school administration or staff have to deal with theft by upper grade students?	
BCBGUS09	No	SCQ2-17I2	To what extent does theft by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF10	No	SCQ2-17J1	How often does school administration/staff have to deal with intimidation of pupils by u-grade ones?	
BCBGUS10	No	SCQ2-17J2	To what extent does u-grade students' intimidation of students by u-grade students in your school?	
BCBGF11	No	SCQ2-17K1	How often does administration/staff have to deal with injury to students caused by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS11	No	SCQ2-17K2	To what extent does physical injury to students caused by u-grade students present a problem?	
BCBGF12	No	SCQ2-17L1	How often does administration/staff have to deal with intimidation of teachers/staff by upper grade students?	
BCBGUS12	No	SCQ2-17L2	To what extent does intimidation of teachers/staff by upper grade students present a problem?	
BCBGF13	No	SCQ2-17M1	How often does school administration have to deal with injury of staff caused by u-grade pupils?	
BCBGUS13	No	SCQ2-17M2	To what extent does physical injury of staff caused by upper grade students present a problem?	
BCBGF14	No	SCQ2-17N1	How often does school administration have to deal with tobacco use/possession by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS14	No	SCQ2-17N2	To what extent does tobacco use/possession by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF15	No	SCQ2-17O1	How often does school administration have to deal with alcohol use/possession by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS15	No	SCQ2-17O2	To what extent does alcohol use/possession by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF16	No	SCQ2-17P1	How often does school administration have to deal with illegal drug use/possession by u-grade pupil?	
BCBGUS16	No	SCQ2-17P2	To what extent does illegal drug use/possession by upper grade students present a problem?	
BCBGF17	No	SCQ2-17Q1	How often does school administration have to deal with weapon use/possession by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS17	No	SCQ2-17Q2	To what extent does weapon use/possession by upper grade students present a problem in your school?	
BCBGF18	No	SCQ2-17R1	How often does school administration have to deal with sexual behavior by u-grade students?	
BCBGUS18	No	SCQ2-17R2	To what extent does inappropriate sexual behavior by upper grade students present a problem?	
BCBGUDYY	Yes	SCQ2-18A	How many instructional days are in the school year for upper grade?	
BCBGUFLW	Yes	SCQ2-18B	How many full instructional days are in the school week for upper grade?	
BCBGUHFW	Yes	SCQ2-18C	How many half instructional days are in the school week for upper grade?	
BCBGUTHW	Yes	SCQ2-18D	How many total hours are in the school week for upper grade?	
BCBGUHW	Yes	SCQ2-18E	How many instructional hours are in the school week for upper grade?	
BCBGDIVI	Yes	SCQ2-19	Is the school week divided into instructional periods?	
BCBGUPDW	Yes	SCQ2-19A	How many instructional periods are there in a week for upper grade?	
BCBGUTMP	Yes	SCQ2-19B	How many minutes is a typical instructional period for upper grade?	
BCBMODF1	No	SCQ2-20A	Does your school study similar contents at different levels for u-grade students in maths?	

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			School
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question
BCBMODF2	No	SCQ2-20B	Does your school group by ability u-grade students in maths?
BCBMODF3	No	SCQ2-20C	Does your school provide enrichment activities for u-grade students in maths?
BCBMODF4	No	SCQ2-20D	Does your school provide remedial teaching for u-grade students in maths?
BCBMODF5	No	SCQ2-20E	Does your school provide classes that study different contents for u-grade students in maths?
BCBMUC3	Yes	SCQ2-20E1	How many courses that study different contents does your school have for u-grade students in maths?
BCBMUFC1	Yes	SCQ2-21A	How important is academic performance in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC2	Yes	SCQ2-21B	How important are standardized tests in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC3	Yes	SCQ2-21C	How important is entrance exam in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC4	Yes	SCQ2-21D	How important is oral exam in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC5	Yes	SCQ2-21E	How important are teacher recommendations in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC6	Yes	SCQ2-21F	How important are parental wishes in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC7	Yes	SCQ2-21G	How important are student wishes in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBMUFC8	Yes	SCQ2-21H	How important are curricular requirements in selecting mathematics course of study for student?
BCBSODF1	No	SCQ2-22A	Does your school study similar contents at different levels for u-grade students in science?
BCBSODF2	No	SCQ2-22B	Does your school group by ability u-grade students in science?
BCBSODF3	No	SCQ2-22C	Does your school provide enrichment activities for u-grade students in science?
BCBSODF4	No	SCQ2-22D	Does your school provide remedial teaching for u-grade students in science?
BCBSODF5	No	SCQ2-22E	Does your school provide classes that study different contents for u-grade students in science?
BCBSUC3	Yes	SCQ2-22E1	How many courses that study different contents does your school have for u-grade students in science?
BCBSUFC1	Yes	SCQ2-23A	How important is academic performance in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC2	Yes	SCQ2-23B	How important are standardized tests in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC3	Yes	SCQ2-23C	How important is entrance exam in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC4	Yes	SCQ2-23D	How important is oral exam in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC5	Yes	SCQ2-23E	How important are teacher recommendations in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC6	Yes	SCQ2-23F	How important are parental wishes in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC7	Yes	SCQ2-23G	How important are student wishes in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBSUFC8	Yes	SCQ2-23H	How important are curricular requirements in selecting science course of study for student?
BCBGBS01	Yes	SCQ2-24A	In admitting students to your school do you consider residence in a particular area?
BCBGBS02	Yes	SCQ2-24B	In admitting students to your school do you consider student's academic performance?
BCBGBS03	Yes	SCQ2-24C	In admitting students to your school do you consider interview with student?
BCBGBS04	Yes	SCQ2-24D	In admitting students to your school do you consider interview with parent?
BCBGBS05	Yes	SCQ2-24E	In admitting students to your school is preference given to students with siblings in the school?
BCBGBS06	Yes	SCQ2-24F	In admitting students to your school is preference given according to date of application?
BCBGBS07	Yes	SCQ2-24G	In admitting students to your school do you consider recommendations of previous teachers?
BCBGBS08	Yes	SCQ2-24H	In admitting students to your school is preference given to students from a particular school?
BCBGBS09	Yes	SCQ2-24I	In admitting students to your school is preference given to children of former students?
BCBGBS10	Yes	SCQ2-24J	In admitting students to your school do you consider performance on a standardized test?
BCBGBS11	Yes	SCQ2-24K	In admitting students to your school do you consider performance on an entrance exam?
BCBGBS12	Yes	SCQ2-24L	In admitting students to your school do you consider performance on an oral exam?
BCBGBS13	Yes	SCQ2-24M	In admitting students to your school do you consider other factors?

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School			
Variable Name	Available in 1995	Questionnaire Location	Question
BCBGE01	No	SCQ2-25A	Does your school expect parents to notify the school about their child's problems?
BCBGE02	No	SCQ2-25B	Does your school expect parents to serve as teacher aids in the classroom?
BCBGE03	No	SCQ2-25C	Does your school expect parents to raise funds for the school?
BCBGE04	No	SCQ2-25D	Does your school expect parents to volunteer for school projects and programs?
BCBGE05	No	SCQ2-25E	Does your school expect parents to be sure that their child completes his/her homework?
BCBGE06	No	SCQ2-25F	Does your school expect parents to assist teachers on trips?
BCBGE07	No	SCQ2-25G	Does your school expect parents to prepare their child's lunchbox?
BCBGE08	No	SCQ2-25H	Does your school expect parents to patrol the grounds of the school to monitor student behavior?
BCBGE09	No	SCQ2-25I	Does your school expect parents to serve on committees which select school personnel?
BCBGE10	No	SCQ2-25J	Does your school expect parents to serve on committees which review school finances?



**Student Background Questionnaire
Integrated Science Version (SQ2)**

Student General Science Questionnaire Main Survey



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GENERAL DIRECTIONS

In this booklet, you will find questions about yourself. Some questions ask for facts while other questions ask for your opinion.

Read each question carefully and respond as accurately and carefully as possible. You may ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to respond.

Some of the questions will be followed by a few possible choices indicated with a letter next to or below it. For these questions, circle the letter next to or below your choice as shown in Example 1.

Example 1

- | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-------------------------|----|
| 1. I attend school | <input type="radio"/> A | Yes | <input type="radio"/> B | No |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----|-------------------------|----|

The letter "A" has been circled because you attend school.

If you decide to change your response to a question, put an "X" over your first choice and then put a circle around your new choice as shown in Example 2.

Example 2

- | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. I like ice cream | <input type="radio"/> A | Strongly agree | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B | Agree | <input type="checkbox"/> C | Disagree | <input type="checkbox"/> D | Strongly disagree |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------------------|

For other questions you will be asked to write a number or date in the space provided in your booklet. For these questions, you may use words and numbers in your answers. When you write, please be sure that your handwriting is clear.

BSBGBIRD
BSBGBIRM
BSBGBIRY

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1. On what date were you born?

Write in the day, month and year.

<____ day ____ month ____ year>

<NRC NOTE: USE STYLE APPROPRIATE TO YOUR COUNTRY AND GRADE LEVEL.>

BSBGSEX

2. Are you a girl or a boy?

Circle either A or B.

girl A

boy B

BSBGBRN1

3a. Were you born in <country> ?

Circle either A or B.

Yes A

No B

BSBGBRN2

3b. If you were not born in <country>, how old were you when you came to <country>?

Write in your age at the time.

I was _____ years old when I came to <country>.

BSBGLANG

4. How often do you speak <language of test> at home?

Circle either A, B, or C.

always or almost always A

sometimes B

never C

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5. During the week, how much time before or after school do you usually spend...

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.

		No time	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	More than 5 hours
BSBMEXTR	a) taking <extra lessons/cramming school> in mathematics?	A	B	C	D	E
BSBSEXTR	b) taking <extra lessons/cramming school> in science?	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGCLUB	c) participating in science or mathematics clubs?	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGPAID	d) working at a paid job?	A	B	C	D	E

6. On a normal school day, how much time do you spend before or after school doing each of these things?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.

		No time	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	More than 5 hours
BSBGDAY1	a) watching television and videos	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY2	b) playing computer games	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY3	c) playing or talking with friends outside of school.....	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY4	d) doing jobs at home	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY5	e) playing sports	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY6	f) reading a book for enjoyment	A	B	C	D	E
BSBMDAY7	g) studying mathematics or doing mathematics homework after school	A	B	C	D	E
BSBSDAY8	h) studying science or doing science homework after school.....	A	B	C	D	E
BSBGDAY9	i) studying or doing homework in school subjects other than mathematics and science	A	B	C	D	E

BSBGEDMO
BSBGEDFA

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BSBGEDSE

7. How far in school did your mother and father go?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, or H, in each column.*

	<i>a) Mother</i>	<i>b) Father</i>
<some primary school, or did not go to school>	A	A
<finished primary school>	B	B
<some secondary school>	C	C
<finished secondary school>	D	D
<some vocational/technical education after secondary school>	E	E
<some university>	F	F
<finished university>	G	G
I don't know	H	H

BSGBRNM

8. How far in school do you expect to go?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, E, or F.*

<some secondary school>.....	A
<finish secondary school>	B
<some vocational/technical education after secondary school>	C
<some university>	D
<finish university>	E
I don't know	F

BSGBRNF

9a. Was your mother born in <country>?*Circle either A or B.**Yes* *No*

A B

9b. Was your father born in <country>?*Circle either A or B.*

A B

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BSBGB00K

10. About how many books are there in your home?

(Do not count magazines, newspapers, or your school books.)

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E.

- | | |
|--|---|
| none or very few (0-10 books)..... | A |
| enough to fill one shelf (11-25 books) | B |
| enough to fill one bookcase (26-100 books) | C |
| enough to fill two bookcases (101-200 books) | D |
| enough to fill three or more bookcases (more than 200) | E |

11. Do you have any of these items at your home?*Circle either A or B for each line.*

BSBGPS01
BSBGPS02
BSBGPS03
BSBGPS04
BSBGPS05
BSBGPS06
BSBGPS07
BSBGPS08
BSBGPS09
BSBGPS10
BSBGPS11
BSBGPS12
BSBGPS13
BSBGPS14
BSBGPS15
BSBGPS16

	Yes	No
a) calculator.....	A	B
b) computer	A	B
c) study desk/table for your use	A	B
d) dictionary	A	B
e) <country-specific>	A	B
f) <country-specific>	A	B
g) <country-specific>	A	B
h) <country-specific>	A	B
i) <country-specific>	A	B
j) <country-specific>	A	B
k) <country-specific>	A	B
l) <country-specific>	A	B
m) <country-specific>	A	B
n) <country-specific>	A	B
o) <country-specific>	A	B
p) <country-specific>	A	B

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12. My mother thinks it is important for me to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSMIP1	a) do well in science at school.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMMIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP5	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP4	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

13. In my mathematics class...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMCLS1	a) students often neglect their school work.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCLS2	b) students are orderly and quiet during <lessons>..	A	B	C	D
BSBMCLS3	c) students do exactly as the teacher says.	A	B	C	D

14. Most of my friends think it is important to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSFIP1	a) do well in science at school.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMFIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP4	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP5	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

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15. I think it is important to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSSIP1	a) do well in science at school.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMSIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIPI3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIPI4	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIPI5	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

16. How well do you usually do in mathematics and science at school?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMGOOD	a) I usually do well in mathematics.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSGOOD	b) I usually do well in science.	A	B	C	D

17. How difficult do you think mathematics is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMMYT1	a) I would like mathematics much more if it were not so difficult.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT2	b) Although I do my best, mathematics is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT3	c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in mathematics.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT4	d) Sometimes, when I do not understand a new topic in mathematics initially, I know that I will never really understand it.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT5	e) Mathematics is not one of my strengths.	A	B	C	D

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18. To do well in mathematics at school you need...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMDOW1	a) lots of natural <talent/ability>.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW2	b) good luck.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW3	c) lots of hard work studying at home.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW4	d) to memorize the textbook or notes.....	A	B	C	D

19. How difficult do you think science is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSSYT1	a) I would like science much more if it were not so difficult.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSSYT2	b) Although I do my best, science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates	A	B	C	D
BSBSSYT3	c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in science.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSSYT4	d) Science is not one of my strengths.....	A	B	C	D

20. To do well in science at school you need...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSDOW1	a) lots of natural <talent/ability>.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSDOW2	b) good luck.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSDOW3	c) lots of hard work studying at home.....	A	B	C	D
BSBSDOW4	d) to memorize the textbook or notes.....	A	B	C	D

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21. How much do you like...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*BSBMLIKM
BSBSLIK5

		<i>Like a lot</i>	<i>Like</i>	<i>Dislike</i>	<i>Dislike a lot</i>
a)	mathematics?	A	B	C	D
b)	science?	A	B	C	D

22. How much do you like using computers to learn...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.*BSBMLUCM
BSBSLUCS

		<i>Do not use computers</i>	<i>Like a lot</i>	<i>Like</i>	<i>Dislike</i>	<i>Dislike a lot</i>
a)	mathematics?	A	B	C	D	E
b)	science?	A	B	C	D	E

23a. Do you have access to the Internet...*Circle one letter, A or B, for each line.*BSBGINT1
BSBGINT2
BSBGINT3*Yes* *No*

a)	at home?	A	B
b)	at school?	A	B
c)	elsewhere?	A	B

23b. If you have access to the Internet, how often do you do each of the following?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*BSBG0FT1
BSBG0FT2
BSBG0FT3
BSBG0FT4

		<i>At least once a week</i>	<i>At least once a month</i>	<i>A few times a year</i>	<i>Never</i>
d)	Use e-mail to work with students in other schools on mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
e)	Use e-mail to work with students in other schools on science projects.	A	B	C	D
f)	Use the World Wide Web to access information for mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
g)	Use the World Wide Web to access information for science projects.	A	B	C	D

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24. What do you think about mathematics?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMENJY	a) I enjoy learning mathematics.	A	B	C	D
BSBMBORE	b) Mathematics is boring.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEASY	c) Mathematics is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBMLIFE	d) Mathematics is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBMWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using mathematics.	A	B	C	D

25. I need to do well in mathematics...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPRNT	b) to please my parent(s).	A	B	C	D
BSBMSCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSELF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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26. How often does this happen in your mathematics lessons?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBMPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do mathematics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBMNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPROJ	d) We work on mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBMWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEVLF	h) We use things from everyday life in solving mathematics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRHWFC	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRHWD	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUSBT	o) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUSOT	p) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUSBS	q) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUSOS	r) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUPT	s) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRIDEA	t) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in mathematics.	A	B	C	D

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27. When we begin a new topic in mathematics, we begin by...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBMRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSMGP	c) working together in pairs or small groups on a problem or project.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.....	A	B	C	D

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BSBSSCYE

28. Are you studying science in school this year?*Circle either A or B.*

Yes A

No B

BSBSENJY

BSBSBORE

BSBSEASY

BSBSLIFE

BSBSWORK

29. What do you think about science?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
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- | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| a) I enjoy learning science..... | A | B | C | D |
| b) Science is boring. | A | B | C | D |
| c) Science is an easy subject. | A | B | C | D |
| d) Science is important to everyone's life. | A | B | C | D |
| e) I would like a job that involved using science. | A | B | C | D |

BSBSJOB

BSBSPRNT

BSBSSCHL

BSBSSELF

30. I need to do well in science...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
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- | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| a) to get the job I want. | A | B | C | D |
| b) to please my parents. | A | B | C | D |
| c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer. | A | B | C | D |
| d) to please myself. | A | B | C | D |

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31. How often does this happen in your science lessons?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBSPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do science problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBSNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
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BSBSWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
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BSBSHWDS	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBSDEMO	o) The teacher gives a demonstration of an experiment.	A	B	C	D
BSBSEXPR	p) We ourselves do an experiment or practical investigation in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBSUSBT	q) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBSUSOT	r) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBSUSBS	s) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBSUSOS	t) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBSRUPT	u) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBSIDEA	v) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in science.	A	B	C	D

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32. When we begin a new topic in science, we begin by...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBSRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBSPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBSSMGP	c) working together in small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBSASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBSTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBSEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

THANK YOU for the thought and effort you have put into answering these questions.
We wish you well in all that you do.

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INTERNATIONAL OPTION**33. Do each of these people live at home with you most or all of the time?***Circle either A or B for each line.*

		<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
BSBGADU1	a) mother	A	B
BSBGADU2	b) father	A	B
BSBGADU3	c) one or more brothers	A	B
BSBGADU4	d) one or more sisters	A	B
BSBGADU5	e) stepmother.....	A	B
BSBGADU6	f) stepfather.....	A	B
BSBGADU7	g) one or more grandparents	A	B
BSBGADU8	h) another relative or relatives (uncle, aunt, cousin, etc.)	A	B
BSBGADU9	i) another person or persons (not relatives)	A	B

34. Altogether, how many people live in your home?*Write in the total number of people.*

_____ (Don't forget to include yourself.)**35. Outside of school, how often do you do these activities?***Circle **one** letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>About every day</i>	<i>About once a week</i>	<i>About once a month</i>	<i>Rarely</i>
BSBGACT1	a) read a book or magazine	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT2	b) visit a museum or art exhibition.....	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT3	c) attend a concert	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT4	d) go to the theatre	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT5	e) go to the movies	A	B	C	D

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36. Outside of school, how often do you watch the following kinds of programs on television or video?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>About every day</i>	<i>About once a week</i>	<i>About once a month</i>	<i>Rarely</i>
BSBGNEWS	a) news or documentaries	A	B	C	D
BSBGOPER	b) opera, ballet or classical music	A	B	C	D
BSBGNATR	c) nature, wildlife or history	A	B	C	D
BSBGPOPU	d) popular music	A	B	C	D
BSBGSPRT	e) sports	A	B	C	D
BSBGVIDE	f) video games	A	B	C	D
BSBGCRTN	g) cartoons	A	B	C	D
BSBGCMDY	h) comedy, adventure or suspense	A	B	C	D

37. How often did any of these things happen last month in school?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>Never</i>	<i>Once or twice</i>	<i>3-4 times</i>	<i>5 or more</i>
BSBGSSKP	a) I skipped a class.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSSTL	b) Something of mine was stolen.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSHT	c) I thought another student might hurt me.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFSKP	d) Some of my friends skipped classes.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFSTL	e) Some of my friends had things stolen.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFHRT	f) Some of my friends were hurt by other students.	A	B	C	D

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38. Listed below are some of the world's environmental problems. How much do you think the application of science can help in addressing these problems?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>Not at all</i>	<i>Very little</i>	<i>Somewhat</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BSBGENV1	a) air pollution	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV2	b) water pollution	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV3	c) destruction of forests	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV4	d) endangered species	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV5	e) damage to the ozone layer	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV6	f) problems from nuclear power plants	A	B	C	D

39. If you were going to choose a career that uses a science, which science would you prefer to use?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D.

- | | |
|---------------------|---|
| Biology | A |
| Chemistry | B |
| Earth Science | C |
| Physics | D |

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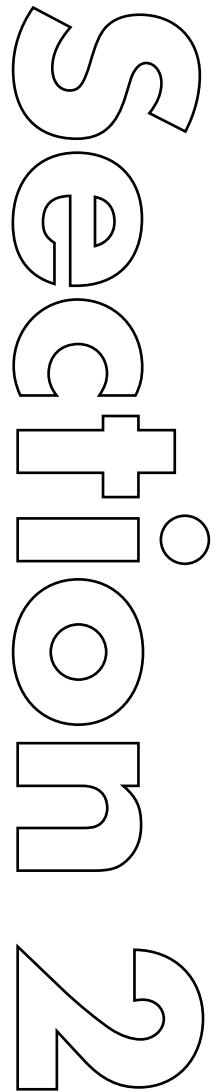
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There are no more questions in this booklet

If you have finished answering this booklet before the time is over then you may go back and review your answers. Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions carefully.

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**Student Background Questionnaire
Separate Sciences Version (SQ2S)**

Student Separate Science Questionnaire Main Survey



Identification Label

School:

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Student Questionnaire (s)

Main Survey

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GENERAL DIRECTIONS

In this booklet, you will find questions about yourself. Some questions ask for facts while other questions ask for your opinion.

Read each question carefully and respond as accurately and carefully as possible. You may ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to respond.

Some of the questions will be followed by a few possible choices indicated with a letter next to or below it. For these questions, circle the letter next to or below your choice as shown in Example 1.

Example 1

1. I attend school. A B

The letter "A" has been circled because you attend school.

If you decide to change your response to a question, put an "X" over your first choice and then put a circle around your new choice as shown in Example 2.

Example 2

1. I like ice cream. A B C D

For other questions you will be asked to write a number or date in the space provided in your booklet. For these questions, you may use words and numbers in your answers. When you write, please be sure that your handwriting is clear.

BSBGBIRD
BSBGBIRM
BSBGBIRY

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1. On what date were you born?

Write in the day, month and year.

<____day ____ month ____year>

<NRC NOTE: USE STYLE APPROPRIATE TO YOUR COUNTRY AND GRADE LEVEL.>

BSBGSEX

2. Are you a girl or a boy?

Circle either A or B.

girl A

boy B

BSBGBRN1

3a. Were you born in <country> ?

Circle either A or B.

Yes A

No..... B

BSBGBRN2

3b. If you were not born in <country>, how old were you when you came to <country>?

Write in your age at the time.

I was _____ years old when I came to <country>.

BSBGLANG

4. How often do you speak <language of test> at home?

Circle either A, B, or C.

always or almost always A

sometimes B

never..... C

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5. During the week, how much time before or after school do you usually spend...

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.

BSBMEXTR

- a) taking <extra lessons/cramming school> in mathematics?

	No time	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	More than 5 hours
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A	B	C	D	E
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BSBSEXTR

- b) taking <extra lessons/cramming school> in science?

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGCLUB

- c) participating in science or mathematics clubs?

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGPAID

- d) working at a paid job?

A	B	C	D	E
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6. On a normal school day, how much time do you spend before or after school doing each of these things?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.

BSBGDAY1

- a) watching television and videos

	No time	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	More than 5 hours
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A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY2

- b) playing computer games

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY3

- c) playing or talking with friends outside of school.....

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY4

- d) doing jobs at home

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY5

- e) playing sports

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY6

- f) reading a book for enjoyment

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBMDAY7

- g) studying mathematics or doing mathematics homework after school

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBSDAY8

- h) studying science or doing science homework after school

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGDAY9

- i) studying or doing homework in school subjects other than mathematics and science

A	B	C	D	E
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BSBGEDMO
BSBGEDFA

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7. How far in school did your mother and father go?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, or H, in each column.*

	a) Mother	b) Father
<some primary school, or did not go to school>	A	A
<finished primary school>	B	B
<some secondary school>	C	C
<finished secondary school>	D	D
<some vocational/technical education after secondary school>	E	E
<some university>	F	F
<finished university>	G	G
I don't know	H	H

BSBGEDSE

8. How far in school do you expect to go?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, E, or F.*

<some secondary school>	A
<finish secondary school>	B
<some vocational/technical education after secondary school>	C
<some university>	D
<finish university>	E
I don't know	F

BSBGBRNM

BSBGBRNF

9a. Was your mother born in <country>?*Circle either A or B.**Yes* *No*

A B

9b. Was your father born in <country>?*Circle either A or B.*

A B

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BSBGB00K

10. About how many books are there in your home?

(Do not count magazines, newspapers, or your school books.)

Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E.

- none or very few (0-10 books) A
- enough to fill one shelf (11-25 books) B
- enough to fill one bookcase (26-100 books) C
- enough to fill two bookcases (101-200 books) D
- enough to fill three or more bookcases (more than 200) E

11. Do you have any of these items at your home?*Circle either A or B for each line.*BSBGP01
BSBGP02
BSBGP03
BSBGP04
BSBGP05
BSBGP06
BSBGP07
BSBGP08
BSBGP09
BSBGP10
BSBGP11
BSBGP12
BSBGP13
BSBGP14
BSBGP15
BSBGP16

		<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
a)	calculator	A	B
b)	computer	A	B
c)	study desk/table for your use	A	B
d)	dictionary	A	B
e)	<country-specific>	A	B
f)	<country-specific>	A	B
g)	<country-specific>	A	B
h)	<country-specific>	A	B
i)	<country-specific>	A	B
j)	<country-specific>	A	B
k)	<country-specific>	A	B
l)	<country-specific>	A	B
m)	<country-specific>	A	B
n)	<country-specific>	A	B
o)	<country-specific>	A	B
p)	<country-specific>	A	B

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12. My mother thinks it is important for me to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSMIP1	a) do well in science at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP5	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGMIP4	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

13. In my mathematics class...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMCLS1	a) students often neglect their school work.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCLS2	b) students are orderly and quiet during <lessons>..	A	B	C	D
BSBMCLS3	c) students do exactly as the teacher says.	A	B	C	D

14. Most of my friends think it is important to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSFIP1	a) do well in science at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBMFIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP4	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFIP5	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

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15. I think it is important to...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSSIP1	a) do well in science at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSIP2	b) do well in mathematics at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIP3	c) do well in <language of test> at school.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIP4	d) have time to have fun.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSIP5	e) be good at sports.	A	B	C	D

16. How well do you usually do in mathematics and science at school?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMGOOD	a) I usually do well in mathematics.	A	B	C	D
BSBBGOOD	b) I usually do well in biological science.	A	B	C	D
BSBEGOOD	c) I usually do well in earth science.	A	B	C	D
BSBCGOOD	d) I usually do well in chemistry	A	B	C	D
BSBPGOOD	e) I usually do well in physics	A	B	C	D

17. How difficult do you think mathematics is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMMYT1	a) I would like mathematics much more if it were not so difficult.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT2	b) Although I do my best, mathematics is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT3	c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in mathematics.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT4	e) Sometimes, when I do not understand a new topic in mathematics initially, I know that I will never really understand it.	A	B	C	D
BSBMMYT5	f) Mathematics is not one of my strengths.	A	B	C	D

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18. To do well in mathematics at school you need...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMDOW1	a) lots of natural <talent/ability>.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW2	b) good luck.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW3	c) lots of hard work studying at home.....	A	B	C	D
BSBMDOW4	d) to memorize the textbook or notes.....	A	B	C	D

19. How difficult do you think biological science is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSBYT1	a) I would like biological science much more if it were not so difficult.	A	B	C	D
BSBSBYT2	b) Although I do my very best, biological science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates	A	B	C	D
BSBSBYT3	c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in biological science.	A	B	C	D
BSBSBYT4	d) Biological science is not one of my strengths.....	A	B	C	D

20. How difficult do you think earth science is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBSEYT1	a) I would like earth science much more if it were not so difficult.	A	B	C	D
BSBSEYT2	b) Although I do my very best, earth science is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates	A	B	C	D
BSBSEYT3	c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in earth science.	A	B	C	D
BSBSEYT4	d) Earth science is not one of my strengths.....	A	B	C	D

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21. How difficult do you think chemistry is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

BSBSCYT1

BSBSCYT2

BSBSCYT3

BSBSCYT4

	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
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- a) I would like chemistry much more if it were not so difficult.

A	B	C	D
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- b) Although I do my very best, chemistry is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.

A	B	C	D
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- c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in chemistry.

A	B	C	D
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- d) Chemistry is not one of my strengths.

A	B	C	D
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22. How difficult do you think physics is?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

BSBSPYT1

BSBSPYT2

BSBSPYT3

BSBSPYT4

	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
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- a) I would like physics much more if it were not so difficult.

A	B	C	D
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- b) Although I do my very best, physics is more difficult for me than for many of my classmates.

A	B	C	D
---	---	---	---

- c) Nobody can be good in every subject, and I am just not talented in physics.

A	B	C	D
---	---	---	---

- d) Physics is not one of my strengths.

A	B	C	D
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23. To do well in science at school you need...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

BSBSDOW1

BSBSDOW2

BSBSDOW3

BSBSDOW4

	<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
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- a) lots of natural <talent/ability>.

A	B	C	D
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- b) good luck.

A	B	C	D
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- c) lots of hard work studying at home.

A	B	C	D
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- d) to memorize the textbook or notes.

A	B	C	D
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24. How much do you like...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

BSBMLIKM

BSBBLIKB

BSBELIKS

BSBCLIKC

BSBPLIKP

	<i>Like a lot</i>	<i>Like</i>	<i>Dislike</i>	<i>Dislike a lot</i>
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- a) mathematics?

A	B	C	D
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- b) biological science?

A	B	C	D
---	---	---	---

- c) earth science?

A	B	C	D
---	---	---	---

- d) chemistry?

A	B	C	D
---	---	---	---

- e) physics?

A	B	C	D
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25. How much do you like using computers to learn...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, D, or E, for each line.*

		<i>Do not use computers</i>	<i>Like a lot</i>	<i>Like</i>	<i>Dislike</i>	<i>Dislike a lot</i>
BSBMLUCM	a) mathematics?	A	B	C	D	E
BSBSLUCS	b) science?	A	B	C	D	E

26a. Do you have access to the Internet...*Circle one letter, A or B, for each line.*

		<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
BSBGINT1	a) at home?	A	B
BSBGINT2	b) at school?	A	B
BSBGINT3	c) elsewhere?	A	B

26b. If you have access to the Internet, how often do you do each of the following?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>At least once a week</i>	<i>At least once a month</i>	<i>A few times a year</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBGoft1	d) Use e-mail to work with students in other schools on mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBGoft2	e) Use e-mail to work with students in other schools on science projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBGoft3	f) Use the World Wide Web to access information for mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBGoft4	g) Use the World Wide Web to access information for science projects.	A	B	C	D

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27. What do you think about mathematics?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMENJY	a) I enjoy learning mathematics.	A	B	C	D
BSBMBORE	b) Mathematics is boring.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEASY	c) Mathematics is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBMLIFE	d) Mathematics is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBMWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using mathematics.	A	B	C	D

28. I need to do well in mathematics...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBMJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPRNT	b) to please my parent(s).	A	B	C	D
BSBMSCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSELF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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29. How often does this happen in your mathematics lessons?*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBMPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do mathematics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBMNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPROJ	d) We work on mathematics projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBMWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBMCOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEVLF	h) We use things from everyday life in solving mathematics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups	A	B	C	D
BSBMHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBMHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMHWFC	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMHWDS	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBMUSBT	o) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMUSOT	p) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBMUSBS	q) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBMUSOS	r) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBMRUPT	s) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBMIDEA	t) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in mathematics.	A	B	C	D

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30. When we begin a new topic in mathematics, we begin by...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBMRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBMPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBMSMGP	c) working together in pairs or small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBMASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBMTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBMEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

31. Which science(s) are you studying this year?*Circle the letter next to each science you are studying.*

BSBBSTDY	Biology	A	(Complete Questions #32 - 35)
BSBCSTDY	Chemistry	B	(Complete Questions #36 - 39)
BSBESTDY	Earth Science	C	(Complete Questions #40 - 43)
BSBPSTDY	Physics	D	(Complete Questions #44 - 47)

COMPLETE QUESTIONS ONLY FOR THOSE COURSES YOU ARE CURRENTLY TAKING.

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING BIOLOGY**32. What do you think about biology?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBBENJY	a) I enjoy learning biology.	A	B	C	D
BSBBBBORE	b) Biology is boring.....	A	B	C	D
BSBBEASY	c) Biology is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBBLIFE	d) Biology is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBBWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using biology. ...	A	B	C	D

33. I need to do well in biology...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBBJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBBPRNT	b) to please my parents.	A	B	C	D
BSBBSCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBBSELF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING BIOLOGY**34. How often does this happen in your biology lessons?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBBPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do biology problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBBNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBBTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBBPROJ	d) We work on biology projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBBWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
BSBBCALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBBCOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBBEVLF	h) We use things from every day life in solving biology problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBBSGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups.	A	B	C	D
BSBBHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBBHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBBHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBBHWFC	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBBHWDS	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBBDEMO	o) The teacher gives a demonstration of an experiment.	A	B	C	D
BSBBEXPR	p) We ourselves do an experiment or practical investigation in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBBUSBT	q) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBBUSOT	r) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBBUSBS	s) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBBUSOS	t) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBBRUPT	u) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBBIDEA	v) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in biology.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING BIOLOGY**35. When we begin a new topic in biology, we begin by...***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBBRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBBPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBBSMGP	c) working together in small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBBASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBBTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBBEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING CHEMISTRY**36. What do you think about chemistry?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBCENJY	a) I enjoy learning chemistry.	A	B	C	D
BSBCBORE	b) Chemistry is boring.	A	B	C	D
BSBCEASY	c) Chemistry is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBCLIFE	d) Chemistry is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBCWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using chemistry.	A	B	C	D

37. I need to do well in chemistry...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBCJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBCPRNT	b) to please my parents.	A	B	C	D
BSBCSCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBCSELF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING CHEMISTRY**38. How often does this happen in chemistry lessons?**Circle **one** letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBCPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do chemistry problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBCNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBCTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBCPROJ	d) We work on chemistry projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBCWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
BSBCCALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBCCOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBCEVLF	h) We use things from every day life in solving chemistry problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBCSGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups.	A	B	C	D
BSBCHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBCHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBCHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBCHWF	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBCHWD	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBCDEMO	o) The teacher gives a demonstration of an experiment.	A	B	C	D
BSBCEXPR	p) We ourselves do an experiment or practical investigation in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBCUSBT	q) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBCUSOT	r) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBCUSBS	s) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBCUSOS	t) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBCRUPT	u) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBCIDEA	v) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in chemistry.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING CHEMISTRY**39. When we begin a new topic in chemistry, we begin by...***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBCRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBCPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBCSMGP	c) working together in small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBCASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBCTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBCEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING EARTH SCIENCE**40. What do you think about earth science?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBEENJY	a) I enjoy learning earth science.	A	B	C	D
BSBEBORE	b) Earth science is boring.	A	B	C	D
BSBEEASY	c) Earth science is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBELIFE	d) Earth science is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBEWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using earth science.	A	B	C	D

41. I need to do well in earth science...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBEJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBEPRNT	b) to please my parents.	A	B	C	D
BSBESCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBESELF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING EARTH SCIENCE**42. How often does this happen in your earth science lessons?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBEPROM	a) The teacher shows us how to do earth science problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBENOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBETEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBEPROJ	d) We work on earth science projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBEWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.....	A	B	C	D
BSBECALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBECOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBEEVLF	h) We use things from every day life in solving earth science problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBESGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups.	A	B	C	D
BSBEHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBEHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBEHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBEHWFC	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBEHWDS	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBEDEMO	o) The teacher gives a demonstration of an experiment.	A	B	C	D
BSBEEEXPR	p) We ourselves do an experiment or practical investigation in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBEUSBT	q) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBEUSOT	r) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBEUSBS	s) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBEUSOS	t) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBERUPT	u) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBEIDEA	v) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in earth science.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING EARTH SCIENCE**43. When we begin a new topic in earth science, we begin by...***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBERULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBEPRAC	b) starting with a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBESMGP	c) working together in small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBEASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBETXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBEEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING PHYSICS**44. What do you think about physics?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBPENJY	a) I enjoy learning physics.	A	B	C	D
BSBPORE	b) Physics is boring.	A	B	C	D
BSBPEASY	c) Physics is an easy subject.	A	B	C	D
BSBPLIFE	d) Physics is important to everyone's life.	A	B	C	D
BSBPWORK	e) I would like a job that involved using physics....	A	B	C	D

45. I need to do well in physics...*Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Strongly agree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Strongly disagree</i>
BSBPJOB	a) to get the job I want.	A	B	C	D
BSBPRNT	b) to please my parents.	A	B	C	D
BSBPSCHL	c) to get into the <secondary school> or university I prefer.	A	B	C	D
BSBPSLF	d) to please myself.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING PHYSICS**46. How often does this happen in your physics lessons?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBPPROB	a) The teacher shows us how to do physics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBPNOTE	b) We copy notes from the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBPTEST	c) We have a quiz or test.	A	B	C	D
BSBPPROJ	d) We work on physics projects.	A	B	C	D
BSBPWSHT	e) We work from worksheets or textbooks on our own.	A	B	C	D
BSBPCALC	f) We use calculators.	A	B	C	D
BSBPCOMP	g) We use computers.	A	B	C	D
BSBPEVLF	h) We use things from every day life in solving physics problems.	A	B	C	D
BSBPSGRP	i) We work together in pairs or small groups.	A	B	C	D
BSBPHWGV	j) The teacher gives us homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBPHWCL	k) We can begin our homework in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBPHWTC	l) The teacher checks homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBPHWFC	m) We check each other's homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBPHWDS	n) We discuss our completed homework.	A	B	C	D
BSBPDENO	o) The teacher gives a demonstration of an experiment.	A	B	C	D
BSBPEXPR	p) We ourselves do an experiment or practical investigation in class.	A	B	C	D
BSBPUISBT	q) The teacher uses the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBPUISOT	r) The teacher uses an overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBPUISBS	s) Students use the board.	A	B	C	D
BSBPUISOS	t) Students use the overhead projector.	A	B	C	D
BSBPRUPT	u) The teacher gets interrupted by messages, visitors, etc.	A	B	C	D
BSBPIDEA	v) The teacher uses a computer to demonstrate ideas in physics.	A	B	C	D

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FILL IN ONLY IF YOU ARE STUDYING PHYSICS**47. When we begin a new topic in physics, we begin by...***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>Almost always</i>	<i>Pretty often</i>	<i>Once in a while</i>	<i>Never</i>
BSBPRULE	a) having the teacher explain the rules and definitions.	A	B	C	D
BSBPPRAC	b) discussing a practical or story problem related to everyday life.	A	B	C	D
BSBPSMGP	c) working together in small groups on a problem or project.	A	B	C	D
BSBPASK	d) having the teacher ask us what we know related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D
BSBPTXBK	e) looking at the textbook while the teacher talks about it.	A	B	C	D
BSBPEG	f) trying to solve an example related to the new topic.	A	B	C	D

THANK YOU for the thought and effort you have put into answering these questions.
We wish you well in all that you do.

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INTERNATIONAL OPTION**48. Do each of these people live at home with you most or all of the time?***Circle either A or B for each line.*

		<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
BSBGADU1	a) mother	A	B
BSBGADU2	b) father	A	B
BSBGADU3	c) one or more brothers	A	B
BSBGADU4	d) one or more sisters	A	B
BSBGADU5	e) stepmother	A	B
BSBGADU6	f) stepfather	A	B
BSBGADU7	g) one or more grandparents.....	A	B
BSBGADU8	h) another relative or relatives (uncle, aunt, cousin, etc.)	A	B
BSBGADU9	i) another person or persons (not relatives)	A	B

49. Altogether, how many people live in your home?*Write in the total number of people.* (Don't forget to include yourself.)**50. Outside of school, how often do you do these activities?***Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.*

		<i>About every day</i>	<i>About once a week</i>	<i>About once a month</i>	<i>Rarely</i>
BSBGACT1	a) read a book or magazine	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT2	b) visit a museum or art exhibition.....	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT3	c) attend a concert	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT4	d) go to the theatre	A	B	C	D
BSBGACT5	e) go to the movies	A	B	C	D

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51. Outside of school, how often do you watch the following kinds of programs on television or video?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>About every day</i>	<i>About once a week</i>	<i>About once a month</i>	<i>Rarely</i>
BSBGNEWS	a) news or documentaries	A	B	C	D
BSBGOPER	b) opera, ballet or classical music	A	B	C	D
BSBGNATR	c) nature, wildlife or history	A	B	C	D
BSBGPOPU	d) popular music	A	B	C	D
BSBGSPRT	e) sports	A	B	C	D
BSBGVIDE	f) video games	A	B	C	D
BSBGCRTN	g) cartoons	A	B	C	D
BSBGCMDY	h) comedy, adventure or suspense	A	B	C	D

52. How often did any of these things happen last month in school?

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>Never</i>	<i>Once or twice</i>	<i>3-4 times</i>	<i>5 or more</i>
BSBGSSKP	a) I skipped a class.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSSTL	b) Something of mine was stolen.	A	B	C	D
BSBGSHT	c) I thought another student might hurt me.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFSKP	d) Some of my friends skipped classes.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFSTL	e) Some of my friends had things stolen.	A	B	C	D
BSBGFHRT	f) Some of my friends were hurt by other students.	A	B	C	D

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- 53. Listed below are some of the world's environmental problems. How much do you think the application of science can help in addressing these problems?**

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D, for each line.

		<i>Not at all</i>	<i>Very little</i>	<i>Somewhat</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BSBGENV1	a) air pollution	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV2	b) water pollution	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV3	c) destruction of forests	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV4	d) endangered species.....	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV5	e) damage to the ozone layer.....	A	B	C	D
BSBGENV6	f) problems from nuclear power plants.....	A	B	C	D

BSBSCARE

- 54. If you were going to choose a career that uses a science, which science would you prefer to use?**

Circle one letter, A, B, C, or D.

Biology A

Chemistry B

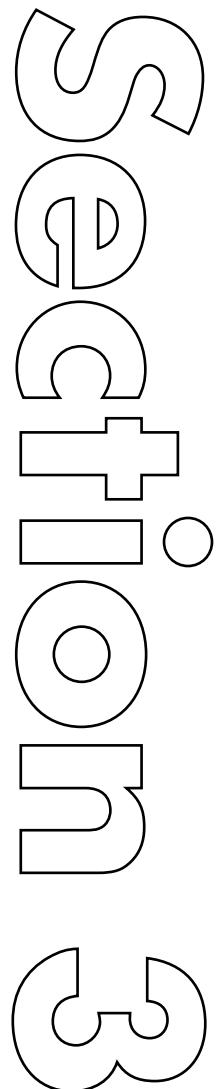
Earth Science C

Physics D

STOP

There are no more questions in this booklet

If you have finished answering this booklet before the time is over then you may go back and review your answers. Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions carefully.



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Mathematics Teacher Questionnaire Main Survey

Your school has agreed to participate in the Third International Mathematics and Science Study - Repeat (TIMSS-R), an educational research project sponsored by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA). TIMSS-R is investigating mathematics and science achievement in about forty countries around the world. It is designed to measure and interpret differences in national education systems in order to help improve the teaching and learning of mathematics and science worldwide.

This questionnaire is addressed to teachers of mathematics, who are asked to supply information about their academic and professional backgrounds, instructional practices, and attitudes towards teaching mathematics. Since your class has been selected as part of a nationwide sample, your responses are very important in helping to describe mathematics classes in <country>.

Some of the questions in this questionnaire ask about **your mathematics class**. This is the class which is identified at the top of this page, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.

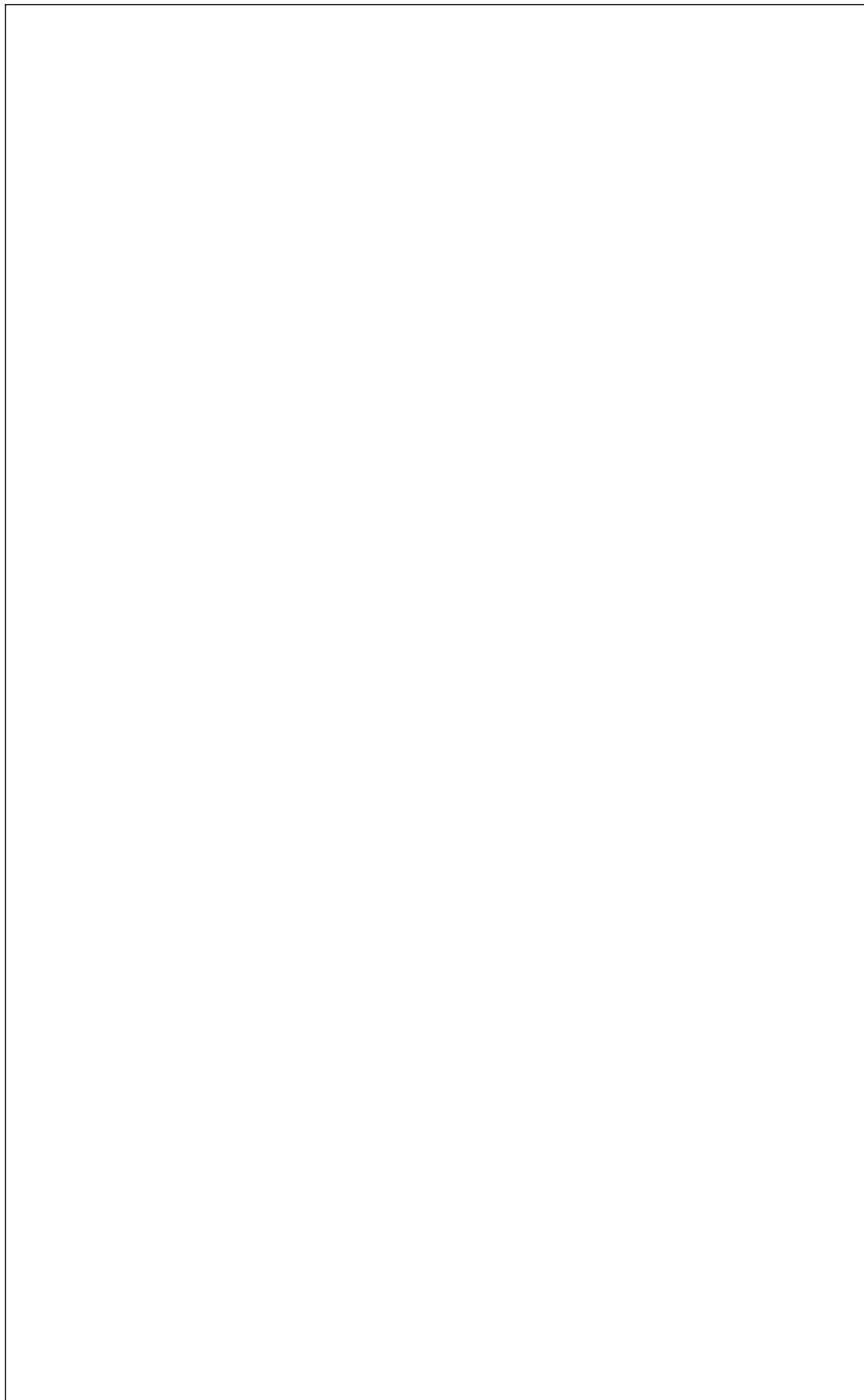
It is important that you answer each question carefully so that the information provided reflects your situation as accurately as possible. It is estimated that it will require approximately 60 minutes to complete this questionnaire.

Your cooperation in completing this questionnaire is greatly appreciated.

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GENERAL DIRECTIONS:

1. Identify a place and a time when you will be able to complete this questionnaire without being interrupted. This questionnaire has been designed to be completed within 60 minutes by most teachers. However, the amount of time you will need may vary. To make it as easy as possible for you to respond, most items may be completed simply by checking the appropriate box.
2. There are no “right” or “wrong” answers to any of these items. The questionnaire is designed to provide information about teachers’ professional experiences, opinions, and classroom activities. **Remember, “your mathematics class” is the class which is identified on the cover of this questionnaire, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.**
3. More specific instructions to assist you in responding are found in *italics* for each item. Once you have completed the questionnaire, place it into the return envelope provided and return it to:

<Country Specific Information>

Again, thank you for your time, effort, and thought in completing this questionnaire!

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Section A

BTBGAGE

1. How old are you?*Check one box only.*

- under 25
- 25-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60 or more

BTBGSEX

2. Are you female or male?*Check one box only.*

- female
- male

BTBGTAUG

3. By the end of this school year, how many years will you have been teaching altogether?*Please round to the nearest whole number.* _____

BTBGTOTL

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- 4. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> in one school week altogether?**

Write in number <hours/periods>

- 5. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> to teach each of the following subjects?**

NRC Note: <List only the generic science courses appropriate for your country.>

Count a double <hour/period> as two single <hours/periods>. Write zero if none.

BTBMSUB1
BTBSSUB2
BTBSSUB3
BTBSSUB4
BTBSSUB5
BTBSSUB6
BTBSSUB7
BTBSSUB8
BTBGSUB9

Number of
single <hours/periods>

- a) mathematics
- b) <GENERAL/INTEGRATED SCIENCE>
- c) <PHYSICAL SCIENCE>
- d) <EARTH SCIENCE>
- e) <LIFE SCIENCE>
- f) <BIOLOGY>
- g) <CHEMISTRY>
- h) <PHYSICS>
- i) other subjects

- 6. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> to perform each of the following tasks?**

Count a double <hour/period> as two single <hours/periods>. Write zero if none.

BTBGTSK1
BTBGT SK2
BTBGT SK3
BTBGT SK4
BTBGT SK5
BTBGT SK6
BTBGT SK7

Number of
single <hours/periods>

- a) student supervision (other than teaching)
- b) student counselling/appraisal
- c) administrative duties
- d) individual curriculum planning
- e) cooperative curriculum planning
- f) other non-student contact time (i.e., use not specified)
- g) other

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**7. APPROXIMATELY how many hours per week do you normally spend on each of the following activities outside the formal school day?
Do not include time already accounted for in Question # 6.**

Check one box in each row.

		<i>None</i>	<i>Less than 1 hour</i>	<i>1 - 2 hours</i>	<i>3 - 4 hours</i>	<i>More than 4 hours</i>
BTBGAUT1	a) preparing or grading student tests or exams	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT2	b) reading and grading other student work	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT3	c) planning lessons by yourself	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT4	d) meeting with students outside of classroom time (e.g., tutoring, guidance)	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT5	e) meeting with parents	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT6	f) professional reading and development activity (e.g., seminars, conferences, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT7	g) keeping students' records up to date	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT8	h) administrative tasks including staff meetings (e.g. photocopying, displaying students' work)....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT9	i) other	<input type="checkbox"/>				

8. APPROXIMATELY how many hours per week do you normally spend on your teaching activities altogether (include time spent in and out of school)?

Please round to the nearest whole hour.

BTBGMEEET

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9. About how often do you have meetings with other teachers in your subject area to discuss and plan curriculum or teaching approaches?*Check one box only.*

- never
- once or twice a year
- every other month
- once a month
- once a week
- two or three times a week
- almost every day

10. How much influence do you have on each of the following...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>None</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Some</i>	<i>A lot</i>
BTBGINF1	a) subject matter to be taught	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF2	b) specific textbooks to be used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF3	c) the amount of money to be spent on supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF4	d) what supplies are purchased.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. To be good at mathematics at school, how important do you think it is for students to...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>Not important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Very important</i>
BTBMIMP1	a) remember formulas and procedures.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMIMP2	b) think in a sequential and procedural manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMIMP3	c) understand mathematical concepts, principles, and strategies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMIMP4	d) be able to think creatively	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMIMP5	e) understand how mathematics is used in the real world ..	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMIMP6	f) be able to provide reasons to support their solutions.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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12. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Check one box in each row.

		<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Strongly agree</i>
BTBMAGR1	a) Mathematics is primarily an abstract subject.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR2	b) Mathematics is primarily a formal way of representing the real world.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR3	c) Mathematics is primarily a practical and structured guide for addressing real situations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGAGR4	d) If students are having difficulty, an effective approach is to give them more practice by themselves during the class.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR5	e) Some students have a natural talent for mathematics and others do not.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR6	f) More than one representation (picture, concrete material, symbol set, etc.) should be used in teaching a mathematics topic.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR7	g) Mathematics should be learned as sets of algorithms or rules that cover all possibilities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR8	h) Basic computational skills on the part of the teacher are sufficient for teaching <PRIMARY SCHOOL> mathematics.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMAGR9	i) A liking for and understanding of students are essential for teaching mathematics.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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13. Indicate your familiarity with each of the following documents:

NRC Note: <Include country-specific appropriate options only.>

Check one box in each row.

		<i>No such document</i>	<i>Not familiar</i>	<i>Fairly familiar</i>	<i>Very familiar</i>
BTBMFAM1	a) <THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM GUIDE FOR MATHEMATICS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFAM2	b) <THE REGIONAL CURRICULUM GUIDE(S) FOR MATHEMATICS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM3	c) <THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM GUIDE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM4	d) <THE NATIONAL EXAMINATION SPECIFICATIONS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM5	e) <THE REGIONAL EXAMINATION SPECIFICATIONS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFAM6	f) <THE NATIONAL PEDAGOGY GUIDE FOR MATHEMATICS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFAM7	g) <THE REGIONAL PEDAGOGY GUIDE FOR MATHEMATICS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. How well prepared do you feel you are to teach...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>I do not teach these topics</i>	<i>Not well prepared</i>	<i>Somewhat prepared</i>	<i>Very well prepared</i>
BTBMFP01	a) fractions, decimals and percentages?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP02	b) ratios and proportions?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP03	c) measurement – units, instruments, and accuracy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP04	d) perimeter, area, and volume?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP05	e) geometric figures – definitions and properties? ...	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP06	f) geometric figures – symmetry, motions and transformations, congruence and similarity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP07	g) coordinate geometry?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP08	h) algebraic representation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP09	i) evaluate and perform operations on algebraic expressions?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP10	j) solving linear equations and inequalities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP11	k) representation and interpretation of data in graphs, charts, and tables?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFP12	l) simple probabilities – understanding and calculations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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BTBGEDUC

15. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?*Check one box only.*

- <DID NOT COMPLETE SECONDARY SCHOOL>
- <SECONDARY ONLY>
- <BA OR EQUIVALENT>
- <MA/PHD>

BTBGTRAC

16a. Do you have a <teacher training certificate>?*Check one box only.* Yes No

BTBGYETR

16b. How many years of <pre-service teacher training> have you had?

Please round to the nearest whole number. _____
(Write in 0 (zero), if you have not had any teacher training.)

BTBGPTR

16c. If you have had <pre-service teacher training>, did you begin this training in secondary school?*Check one box only.* Yes No

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BTBGCMAS

17. While studying to obtain your <BA or equivalent or teacher training certificate>, what was your major or main area of study?I do not have a <BA or equivalent or teacher training certificate>.....

(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

BTBGCMA1

a) Mathematics

BTBGCMA2

b) Biology

BTBGCMA3

c) Physics

BTBGCMA4

d) Chemistry

BTBGCMA5

e) Education

BTBGCMA6

f) Mathematics Education

BTBGCMA7

g) Science Education

BTBGCMA8

h) Other

Yes

No

BTBGMMAS

18. If you have a master's degree, what was your major or main area of study?I do not have a master's degree.

(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

BTBGMMA1

a) Mathematics

BTBGMMA2

b) Biology

BTBGMMA3

c) Physics

BTBGMMA4

d) Chemistry

BTBGMMA5

e) Education

BTBGMMA6

f) Mathematics Education

BTBGMMA7

g) Science Education

BTBGMMA8

h) Other

Yes

No

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International Option

BTBG CARE

- 19. Was teaching your first choice as a career when beginning university or teacher education college?**

Check only one box. Yes No

BTBG CHNG

- 20. Would you change to another career if you had the opportunity?**

Check only one box. Yes No

BTBG SOAP

- 21. Do you think that society appreciates your work?**

Check only one box. Yes No

BTBG STAP

- 22. Do you think your students appreciate your work?**

Check only one box. Yes No

BTBG BOOK

- 23. Approximately how many books are in your home?**

(Do not count magazines or newspapers.)

Check one box only.

- none or very few (0-10)
- enough to fill a shelf (11-25)
- enough to fill a bookcase (26-100)
- enough to fill two bookcases (101-200)
- enough to fill three or more bookcases (more than 200)

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Section B

In this section, many of the questions refer to **your mathematics class**. Please remember that this is the class which is identified on the cover of this questionnaire, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.

BTBMB
BTBMG

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1. How many students are in your mathematics class?*Write in a number for each. Write 0 (zero) if there are none.*

boys _____ girls _____

BTBMSMEC

2. What subject matter do you emphasize most in your mathematics class?*Check one box only.*

- mainly number (e.g., whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percentages, etc.)
- geometry
- algebra
- combined algebra and geometry
- combined algebra, geometry, number, etc.
- other, please specify

BTBMTIME

3. How many minutes per week do you teach mathematics to your mathematics class?

Minutes: _____

BTBMTXBK

4a. Do you use a textbook in teaching mathematics to your class?*Check one box.*Yes No

BTBMTXBR

4b. If yes, approximately what percentage of your weekly mathematics teaching time is based on your mathematics textbook?*Check one box.*

- 0-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 76-100%

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BTBMCUDL

5. Do the students in your mathematics class have calculators available to use during mathematics lessons?

*Check one box only.**Yes* *No*

BTBMWECP

6. To what extent are the students in your mathematics class permitted to use calculators during mathematics lessons?

Check one box only.

- unrestricted use
- restricted use
- calculators are not permitted

7. How often do students in your mathematics class use calculators for the following activities?

Check one box in each row.

BTBMCAL1

	<i>Almost every class</i>	<i>Once or twice a week</i>	<i>Once or twice a month</i>	<i>Never, or hardly ever</i>
a) Checking answers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Tests and exams	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Routine computation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Solving complex problems.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Exploring number concepts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BTBMCAL2

BTBMCAL3

BTBMCAL4

BTBMCAL5

8. Do the students in your mathematics class have computers available to use during mathematics lessons?

Check one box in each row.

BTBM1COM1

BTBMCOM2

<i>Never or almost never</i>	<i>Some lessons</i>	<i>Most lessons</i>	<i>Every lesson</i>
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- a) in the classroom
- b) in other instructional rooms (computer labs, science lab, reading lab, library, etc.)

If computers are available,

BTBMIN1

BTBMIN2

- | <i>Yes</i> | <i>No</i> |
|--|---|
| c) do any of the computers have access to the Internet? | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d) do you use the Internet for instructional/educational purposes? | <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |

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9. In planning mathematics lessons, what is your main source of written information when...

NRC Note: <List only country-specific appropriate options.>

Check one box in each row.

< <i>National or Regional Examination Specifications</i> >					
< <i>National or Regional Curriculum Guide</i> >					
< <i>School Curriculum Guide</i> >					
<i>Teacher Edition of Textbook</i>					
<i>Student Edition of Textbook</i>					
<i>Other Resource Books</i>					
BTBMSRC1	a) deciding which topics to teach (goals)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMSRC2	b) deciding how to present a topic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMSRC3	c) selecting problems and exercises for work in class and homework	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMSRC4	d) selecting problems and applications for assessment and evaluation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. In your mathematics lessons, how often do you usually ask students to do the following?

Check one box in each row.

		Never or almost never	Some lessons	Most lessons	Every lesson
BTBMASK1	a) explain the reasoning behind an idea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK2	b) represent and analyze relationships using tables, charts, or graphs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK3	c) work on problems for which there is no immediately obvious method of solution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK4	d) use computers to solve exercises or problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK5	e) write equations to represent relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK6	f) practice computational skills.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMASK7	g) use graphing calculators to solve exercises or problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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11. In mathematics lessons, how often do students...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>Never or almost never</i>	<i>Some lessons</i>	<i>Most lessons</i>	<i>Every lesson</i>
BTBMLES1	a) work individually without assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLES2	b) work individually with assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLES3	c) work together as a class with the teacher teaching the whole class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLES4	d) work together as a class with students responding to one another	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLES5	e) work in pairs or small groups without assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLES6	f) work in pairs or small groups with assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. In a typical month of lessons for your mathematics class, what percentage of time is spent on each of the following activities?*Write in a percentage for each activity**The total should add to 100%*

BTBMACT1	a) administrative tasks (not related to lesson's content/purpose)	_____ %
BTBMACT2	b) homework review	_____ %
BTBMACT3	c) lecture-style presentation by teacher	_____ %
BTBMACT4	d) teacher-guided student practice	_____ %
BTBMACT5	e) re-teaching and clarification of content/procedures	_____ %
BTBMACT6	f) student independent practice	_____ %
BTBMACT7	g) tests and quizzes	_____ %
BTBMACT8	h) other	_____ %

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13. The following list includes the main topics addressed by the TIMSS mathematics test. Check the response that describes when students in your mathematics class have been taught each topic.

If a topic has been taught before this year and also in the current year, check the two boxes that apply. Otherwise, check one box in each row.

	Taught before this year	Taught 1-5 periods this year	Taught more than 5 periods this year	Not yet taught	I do not know
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a) Fractions and Number Sense

BTBMTB01 BTBMTT01
BTBMNT01

- 1) Whole numbers – including place values, factorization and operations (+, -, ×, ÷)

BTBMTB02 BTBMTT02
BTBMNT02

- 2) Understanding and representing common fractions

BTBMTB03 BTBMTT03
BTBMNT03

- 3) Computations with common fractions

BTBMTB04 BTBMTT04
BTBMNT04

- 4) Understanding and representing decimal fractions

BTBMTB05 BTBMTT05
BTBMNT05

- 5) Computations with decimal fractions

BTBMTB06 BTBMTT06
BTBMNT06

- 6) Relationships between common and decimal fractions, ordering of fractions

BTBMTB07 BTBMTT07
BTBMNT07

- 7) Rounding whole numbers and decimal fractions

BTBMTB08 BTBMTT08
BTBMNT08

- 8) Estimating the results of computations

BTBMTB09 BTBMTT09
BTBMNT09

- 9) Number lines

BTBMTB10 BTBMTT10
BTBMNT10

- 10) Computations with percentages and problems involving percentages

BTBMTB11 BTBMTT11
BTBMNT11

- 11) Simple computations with negative numbers ..

BTBMTB12 BTBMTT12
BTBMNT12

- 12) Square roots (of perfect squares less than 144), small integer exponents

b) Measurement

BTBMTB13 BTBMTT13
BTBMNT13

- 13) Units of measurement; standard metric units...

BTBMTB14 BTBMTT14
BTBMNT14

- 14) Reading measurement instruments

BTBMTB15 BTBMTT15
BTBMNT15

- 15) Estimates of measurement; accuracy of measurement

BTBMTB16 BTBMTT16
BTBMNT16

- 16) Perimeter and area of simple shapes – triangle, rectangles, and circles

BTBMTB17 BTBMTT17
BTBMNT17

- 17) Perimeter and area of combined shapes

BTBMTB18 BTBMTT18
BTBMNT18

- 18) Volume of rectangular solids – i.e., Volume = length × width × height

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If a topic has been taught before this year and also in the current year, check the two boxes that apply.
 Otherwise, check one box in each row.

BTBMTB19	BTBMTT19 BTBMNT19
BTBMTB20	BTBMTT20 BTBMNT20
BTBMTB21	BTBMTT21 BTBMNT21
BTBMTB22	BTBMTT22 BTBMNT22
BTBMTB23	BTBMTT23 BTBMNT23
BTBMTB24	BTBMTT24 BTBMNT24
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BTBMTB31	BTBMTT31 BTBMNT31
BTBMTB32	BTBMTT32 BTBMNT32
BTBMTB33	BTBMTT33 BTBMNT33
BTBMTB34	BTBMTT34 BTBMNT34

	Taught before this year	1-5 periods this year	Taught more than 5 periods this year	Not yet taught	I do not know
c) Geometry					
19) Cartesian coordinates of points in a plane	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20) Coordinates of points on a given straight line .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21) Simple two dimensional geometry – angles on a straight line, parallel lines, triangles and quadrilaterals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22) Congruence and similarity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23) Symmetry and transformations (reflection and rotation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24) Visualization of three-dimensional shapes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Proportionality					
25) Scales applied to maps and models.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26) Concepts of ratio and proportion; ratio and proportion problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Algebra					
27) Number patterns and simple relations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28) Simple algebraic expressions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
29) Representing situations algebraically; formulas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
30) Solving simple equations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
31) Solving simple inequalities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Data Representation, Analysis, and Probability					
32) Representation and interpretation of data in graphs, charts, and tables	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
33) Arithmetic mean.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
34) Simple probabilities – understanding and calculations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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14. In your view to what extent do the following limit how you teach your mathematics class?

Check one box in each row.

		<i>Not at all</i>	<i>A little</i>	<i>Quite a lot</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BTBMLM01	a) students with different academic abilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM02	b) students who come from a wide range of backgrounds, (e.g., economic, language)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM03	c) students with special needs, (e.g., hearing, vision, speech impairment, physical disabilities, mental or emotional/psychological impairment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM04	d) uninterested students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM05	e) disruptive students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM06	f) parents interested in their children's learning and progress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM07	g) parents uninterested in their children's learning and progress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM08	h) shortage of computer hardware	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM09	i) shortage of computer software	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM10	j) shortage of other instructional equipment for students' use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM11	k) shortage of equipment for your use in demonstrations and other exercises	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM12	l) inadequate physical facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM13	m) high student/teacher ratio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM14	n) low morale among fellow teachers/administrators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM15	o) low morale among students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMLM16	p) threat(s) to personal safety or the safety of students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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BTBMHMW2

15. How often do you usually assign mathematics homework?*Check one box.*

- never
- less than once a week
- once or twice a week
- 3 or 4 times a week
- every day

If “never,” please skip ahead to Question 19.

BTBMHWMA

16. If you assign mathematics homework, how many minutes of mathematics homework do you usually assign your students?*(Consider the time it would take an average student in your class.)**Check one box.*

- less than 15 minutes
- 15-30 minutes
- 31-60 minutes
- 61-90 minutes
- more than 90 minutes

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17. If you assign mathematics homework, how often do you assign each of the following kinds of tasks?

*Check one box in each row.**Never Rarely Sometimes Always*

BTBMWKB R	a) worksheets or workbook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMPOR R	b) problem/question sets in textbook	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMREAR R	c) reading in a textbook or supplementary materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMWIRR R	d) writing definitions or other short writing assignment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMDATR R	e) small investigation(s) or gathering data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBМИEXR R	f) working individually on long term projects or experiments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMGEXR R	g) working as a small group on long term projects or experiments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMFINR R	h) finding one or more uses of the content covered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMRAR R	i) preparing oral reports either individually or as a small group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBMJORR R	j) keeping a journal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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BTBMRHNA

18. If students are assigned written mathematics homework, how often do you do the following?

I do not assign written homework.

(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

Never Rarely Sometimes Always

BTBMRHR1

- a) record whether or not the homework was completed

BTBMRHR2

- b) collect, correct and keep assignments

BTBMRHR3

- c) collect, correct assignments and then return to students

BTBMRHR4

- d) give feedback on homework to whole class

BTBMRHR5

- e) have students correct their own assignments in class

BTBMRHR6

- f) have students exchange assignments and correct them in class

BTBMRHR7

- g) use it as a basis for class discussion

BTBMRHR8

- h) use it to contribute towards students' grades or marks

BTBMRGT1

19. In assessing the work of the students in your mathematics class, how much weight do you give each of the following types of assessment?

Check one box in each row.

None Little Quite a lot A great deal

BTBMRGT2

- a) standardized tests produced outside the school ...

BTBMRGT3

- b) teacher-made short answer or essay tests that require students to describe or explain their reasoning

BTBMRGT4

- c) teacher made multiple choice, true-false and matching tests

BTBMRGT5

- d) how well students do on homework assignments

BTBMRGT6

- e) how well students do on projects or practical/laboratory exercises

BTBMRGT7

- f) observations of students

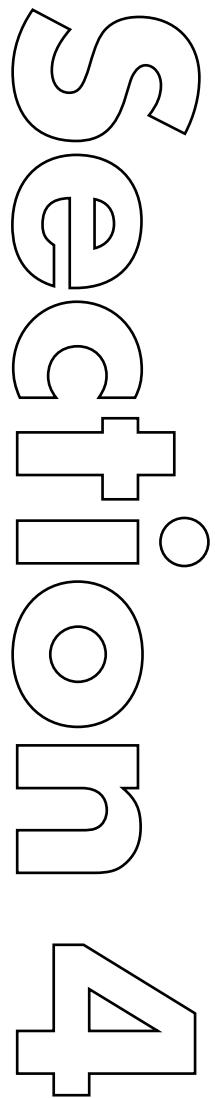
- g) responses of students in class

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20. How often do you use the assessment information you gather from students to...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>None</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Quite a lot</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BTBGASS1	a) provide students' grades or marks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS2	b) provide feedback to students?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS3	c) diagnose students' learning problems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS4	d) report to parents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS5	e) assign students to different programs or tracks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS6	f) plan for future lessons?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

THANK YOU for the thought, time, and effort you have put into completing this questionnaire.



Science Teacher Background Questionnaire (TQS2)

**Identification Label**

School ID :	
Stratum ID:	
Teacher ID:	
Name:	
Class ID:	
Name of Class:	
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	Grade:

IEA Third International Mathematics and Science Study - Repeat

Science Teacher Questionnaire Main Survey

Your school has agreed to participate in the Third International Mathematics and Science Study - Repeat (TIMSS-R), an educational research project sponsored by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA). TIMSS-R is investigating mathematics and science achievement in about forty countries around the world. It is designed to measure and interpret differences in national education systems in order to help improve the teaching and learning of mathematics and science worldwide.

This questionnaire is addressed to teachers of science, who are asked to supply information about their academic and professional backgrounds, instructional practices, and attitudes towards teaching science. Since your class has been selected as part of a nationwide sample, your responses are very important in helping to describe science classes in <country>.

Some of the questions in this questionnaire ask about **your science class**. This is the class which is identified at the top of this page, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.

It is important that you answer each question carefully so that the information provided reflects your situation as accurately as possible. It is estimated that it will require approximately 60 minutes to complete this questionnaire.

Your cooperation in completing this questionnaire is greatly appreciated.

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TIMSS-R Ref.No. 98-0038**GENERAL DIRECTIONS:**

1. Identify a place and a time when you will be able to complete this questionnaire without being interrupted. This questionnaire has been designed to be completed within 60 minutes by most teachers. However, the amount of time you will need may vary. To make it as easy as possible for you to respond, most items may be completed simply by checking the appropriate box.
2. There are no “right” or “wrong” answers to any of these items. The questionnaire is designed to provide information about teachers’ professional experiences, opinions, and classroom activities. **Remember, “your science class” is the class which is identified on the cover of this questionnaire, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.**
3. More specific instructions to assist you in responding are found in *italics* for each item. Once you have completed the questionnaire, place it into the return envelope provided and return it to:

<Country Specific Information>

Again, thank you for your time, effort, and thought in completing this questionnaire!

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Section A

BTBGAGE

1. How old are you?*Check one box only.*

- under 25
- 25-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60 or more

BTBGSEX

2. Are you female or male?*Check one box only.*

- female
- male

BTBGTAUG

3. By the end of this school year, how many years will you have been teaching altogether?*Please round to the nearest whole number.*

BTBGTOTL

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- 4. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> in one school week altogether?**

Write in number <hours/periods>

- 5. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> to teach each of the following subjects?**

NRC Note: <List only the generic science courses appropriate for your country.>

Count a double <hour/period> as two single <hours/periods>. Write zero if none.

Number of
single <hours/periods>

BTBMSUB1

a) mathematics _____

BTBSSUB2

b) <GENERAL/INTEGRATED SCIENCE> _____

BTBSSUB3

c) <PHYSICAL SCIENCE> _____

BTBSSUB4

d) <EARTH SCIENCE> _____

BTBSSUB5

e) <LIFE SCIENCE> _____

BTBSSUB6

f) <BIOLOGY> _____

BTBSSUB7

g) <CHEMISTRY> _____

BTBSSUB8

h) <PHYSICS> _____

BTBGSUB9

i) other subjects _____

- 6. In one typical calendar week from Monday to Sunday, for how many single <hours/periods> are you formally <scheduled/time-tabled> to perform each of the following tasks?**

Count a double <hour/period> as two single <hours/periods>. Write zero if none.

Number of
single <hours/periods>

BTBGTSK1

a) student supervision (other than teaching) _____

BTBGTSK2

b) student counselling/appraisal _____

BTBGTSK3

c) administrative duties _____

BTBGTSK4

d) individual curriculum planning _____

BTBGTSK5

e) cooperative curriculum planning _____

BTBGTSK6

f) other non-student contact time (i.e., use not specified) _____

BTBGTSK7

g) other _____

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- 7. APPROXIMATELY how many hours per week do you normally spend on each of the following activities outside the formal school day?
Do not include time already accounted for in Question # 6.**

Check one box in each row.

		<i>None</i>	<i>Less than 1 hour</i>	<i>1 - 2 hours</i>	<i>3 - 4 hours</i>	<i>More than 4 hours</i>
BTBGAUT1	a) preparing or grading student tests or exams	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT2	b) reading and grading other student work	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT3	c) planning lessons by yourself.....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT4	d) meeting with students outside of classroom time (e.g., tutoring, guidance).....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT5	e) meeting with parents	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT6	f) professional reading and development activity (e.g., seminars, conferences, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT7	g) keeping students' records up to date.....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT8	h) administrative tasks including staff meetings (e.g. photocopying, displaying students' work)..	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBGAUT9	i) other	<input type="checkbox"/>				

- 8. APPROXIMATELY how many hours per week do you normally spend on your teaching activities altogether (include time spent in and out of school)?**

Please round to the nearest whole hour.

BTBGMEEET

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9. About how often do you have meetings with other teachers in your subject area to discuss and plan curriculum or teaching approaches?*Check one box only.*

- never
- once or twice a year
- every other month
- once a month
- once a week
- two or three times a week
- almost every day

10. How much influence do you have on each of the following...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>None</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Some</i>	<i>A lot</i>
BTBGINF1	a) subject matter to be taught	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF2	b) specific textbooks to be used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF3	c) the amount of money to be spent on supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGINF4	d) what supplies are purchased.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. To be good at science at school, how important do you think it is for students to...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>Not important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Very important</i>
BTBSIMP1	a) remember formulas and procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSIMP2	b) think in a sequential and procedural manner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSIMP3	c) understand science concepts, principles, and strategies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSIMP4	d) be able to think creatively	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSIMP5	e) understand how science is used in the real world	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSIMP6	f) be able to provide reasons to support their conclusions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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12. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Check one box in each row.

		<i>Strongly disagree</i>	<i>Disagree</i>	<i>Agree</i>	<i>Strongly agree</i>
BTBSAGR1	a) Science is primarily an abstract subject.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR2	b) Science is primarily a formal way of representing the real world.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR3	c) Science is primarily a practical and structured guide for addressing real situations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR4	d) Some students have a natural talent for science and others do not.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR5	e) It is important for teachers to give students prescriptive and sequential directions for doing science experiments.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR6	f) Focusing on rules is a bad idea. It gives students the impression that the sciences (physics, chemistry, biology, and earth science) are a set of procedures to be memorized.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR7	g) If students get into debates in class about ideas or procedures covering the sciences, it can harm their learning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR8	h) Students see a science task as the same task when it is represented in two different ways (picture, concrete material, symbol set, etc.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSAGR9	i) A liking for and understanding of students are essential for teaching science.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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13. Indicate your familiarity with each of the following documents:

NRC Note: <Include country-specific appropriate options only.>

Check one box in each row.

		<i>No such document</i>	<i>Not familiar</i>	<i>Fairly familiar</i>	<i>Very familiar</i>
BTBSFAM1	a) <THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM GUIDE FOR SCIENCE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFAM2	b) <THE REGIONAL CURRICULUM GUIDE(S) FOR SCIENCE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM3	c) <THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM GUIDE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM4	d) <THE NATIONAL EXAMINATION SPECIFICATIONS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGFAM5	e) <THE REGIONAL EXAMINATION SPECIFICATIONS>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFAM6	f) <THE NATIONAL PEDAGOGY GUIDE FOR SCIENCE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFAM7	g) <THE REGIONAL PEDAGOGY GUIDE FOR SCIENCE>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. How well prepared do you feel you are to teach...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>I do not teach these topics</i>	<i>Not well prepared</i>	<i>Somewhat prepared</i>	<i>Very well prepared</i>
BTBSFP01	a) earth science – earth's features and physical processes?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP02	b) earth science – the solar system and the universe?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP03	c) biology – structure and function of human systems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP04	d) biology – diversity, structure, and processes of plant and animal life?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP05	e) chemistry – classification and structure of matter?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP06	f) chemistry – chemical reactivity and transformations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP07	g) physics – types of energy, sources of energy, conversion between energy types?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP08	h) physics – light?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP09	i) environmental and resource issues?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSFP10	j) scientific methods and inquiry skills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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BTBGEDUC

15. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?*Check one box only.*

- <DID NOT COMPLETE SECONDARY SCHOOL>
- <SECONDARY ONLY>
- <BA OR EQUIVALENT>
- <MA/PHD>

BTBGTRAC

16a. Do you have a <teacher training certificate>?*Check one box only.* Yes No

BTBGYETR

16b. How many years of <pre-service teacher training> have you had?

Please round to the nearest whole number.
(Write in 0 (zero), if you have not had any teacher training.)

BTBGPTR

16c. If you have had <pre-service teacher training>, did you begin this training in secondary school?*Check one box only.* Yes No

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BTBGCMAS

17. While studying to obtain your <BA or equivalent or teacher training certificate>, what was your major or main area of study?

I do not have a <BA or equivalent or teacher training certificate>
(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

BTBGCMA1

a) Mathematics

BTBGCMA2

b) Biology

BTBGCMA3

c) Physics

BTBGCMA4

d) Chemistry

BTBGCMA5

e) Education

BTBGCMA6

f) Mathematics Education

BTBGCMA7

g) Science Education

BTBGCMA8

h) Other

BTBGMMAS

18. If you have a master's degree, what was your major or main area of study?

I do not have a master's degree
(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

BTBGMMA1

a) Mathematics

BTBGMMA2

b) Biology

BTBGMMA3

c) Physics

BTBGMMA4

d) Chemistry

BTBGMMA5

e) Education

BTBGMMA6

f) Mathematics Education

BTBGMMA7

g) Science Education

BTBGMMA8

h) Other

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International Option

BTBG CARE

- 19. Was teaching your first choice as a career when beginning university or teacher education college?**

Check only one box..... Yes No

BTBG CHNG

- 20. Would you change to another career if you had the opportunity?**

Check only one box..... Yes No

BTBG SOAP

- 21. Do you think that society appreciates your work?**

Check only one box..... Yes No

BTBG STAP

- 22. Do you think your students appreciate your work?**

Check only one box..... Yes No

BTBG BOOK

- 23. Approximately how many books are in your home?**

(Do not count magazines or newspapers.)

Check one box only.

- none or very few (0-10)
- enough to fill a shelf (11-25)
- enough to fill a bookcase (26-100)
- enough to fill two bookcases (101-200)
- enough to fill three or more bookcases (more than 200)

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Section B

In this section, many of the questions refer to **your science class**. Please remember that this is the class which is identified on the cover of this questionnaire, and which will be tested as part of TIMSS-R in your school.

BTBSBOY
BTBSGIRL

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1. How many students are in your science class?*Write in a number for each. Write 0 (zero) if there are none.*

boys _____ girls _____

BTBSSMEC

2. What subject matter do you emphasize most in your science class?*Check one box only.*

- General/integrated science
- Earth science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Physical science (chemistry/physics)
- Other, please specify

BTBSTIME

3. How many minutes per week do you teach science to your science class?

Minutes: _____

BTBSTMXBK

4a. Do you use a textbook in teaching science to your class?*Check one box.*Yes No

BTBSTMXBKR

4b. If yes, approximately what percentage of your weekly science teaching time is based on your science textbook?*Check one box.*

- 0-25%
- 26-50%
- 51-75%
- 76-100%

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BTBSCUDL

5. Do the students in your science class have calculators available to use during science lessons?

*Check one box only.*Yes No

BTBSWECP

6. To what extent are the students in your science class permitted to use calculators in science lessons?

Check one box only.

- unrestricted use
- restricted use
- calculators are not permitted

7. How often do students in your science class use calculators for the following activities?

Check one box in each row.

BTBSCAL1

	Almost every class	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never, or hardly ever
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- a) Checking answers
- b) Tests and exams
- c) Routine computation
- d) Solving complex problems
- e) Exploring number concepts

BTBSCAL2

BTBSCAL3

BTBSCAL4

BTBSCAL5

8. Do the students in your science class have computers available to use during science lessons?

Check one box in each row.

BTBSCOM1

	Never or almost never	Some lessons	Most lessons	Every lesson
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BTBSCOM2

- a) in the classroom
- b) in other instructional rooms (computer labs, science lab, reading lab, library, etc.)

If computers are available,

BTBSINT1

Yes No

BTBSINT2

- c) do any of the computers have access to the Internet?
- d) do you use the Internet for instructional/educational purposes?

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9. In planning science lessons, what is your main source of written information when...

NRC Note: <List only country-specific appropriate options.>

Check one box in each row.

<National or Regional Examination Specifications>						
<National or Regional Curriculum Guide>						
<School Curriculum Guide>						
Teacher Edition of Textbook						
Student Edition of Textbook						
Other Resource Books						
BTBSSRC1	a) deciding which topics to teach (goals)	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBSSRC2	b) deciding how to present a topic	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBSSRC3	c) selecting problems and exercises for work in class and homework	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BTBSSRC4	d) selecting problems and applications for assessment and evaluation	<input type="checkbox"/>				

10. In your science lessons, how often do you usually ask students to do the following?

Check one box in each row.

		Never or almost never	Some lessons	Most lessons	Every lesson
BTBSASK1	a) explain the reasoning behind an idea	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK2	b) represent and analyze relationships using tables, charts, or graphs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK3	c) work on problems for which there is no immediately obvious method of solution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK4	d) use computers to solve exercises or problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK5	e) write explanations about what was observed and why it happened	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK6	f) put events or objects in order and give a reason for the organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSASK7	g) use graphing calculators to solve exercises or problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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11. In science lessons, how often do students...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>Never or almost never</i>	<i>Some lessons</i>	<i>Most lessons</i>	<i>Every lesson</i>
BTBSLES1	a) work individually without assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLES2	b) work individually with assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLES3	c) work together as a class with the teacher teaching the whole class	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLES4	d) work together as a class with students responding to one another	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLES5	e) work in pairs or small groups without assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLES6	f) work in pairs or small groups with assistance from the teacher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. In a typical month of lessons in your science class, what percentage of time is spent on each of the following activities?*Write in a percentage for each activity.**The total should add to 100%.*

BTBSAC01	a) administrative tasks (not related to lesson's content/purpose).....	_____ %
BTBSAC02	b) homework review.....	_____ %
BTBSAC03	c) lecture-style presentation by teacher.....	_____ %
BTBSAC04	d) teacher-guided student practice	_____ %
BTBSAC05	e) re-teaching and clarification of content/procedures	_____ %
BTBSAC06	f) student independent practice	_____ %
BTBSAC07	g) tests and quizzes.....	_____ %
BTBSAC08	h) teacher demonstrations of experiments	_____ %
BTBSAC09	i) students conducting experiments	_____ %
BTBSAC10	j) other	_____ %

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- 13. The following list includes the main topics addressed by the TIMSS science test. Check the response that describes when students in your class have been taught each topic.**

If a topic has been taught before this year and also in the current year, check the two boxes that apply. Otherwise, check one box in each row.

	<i>Taught before this year</i>	<i>Taught 1-5 periods this year</i>	<i>Taught more than 5 periods this year</i>	<i>Not yet taught</i>	<i>I do not know</i>
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a) Earth Science

BTBSTM01 BTBSTM01
BTBSNT01

- 1) Earth's physical features (layers, landforms, bodies of water, rocks, soil)

BTBSTM02 BTBSTM02
BTBSNT02

- 2) Earth's atmosphere (layers, composition, temperature, pressure)

BTBSTM03 BTBSTM03
BTBSNT03

- 3) Earth processes and history (weather and climate, physical cycles, plate tectonics, fossils)

BTBSTM04 BTBSTM04
BTBSNT04

- 4) Earth in the solar system and the universe (interactions between Earth, sun, and moon; relationship to planets and stars)

b) Biology

BTBSTM05 BTBSTM05
BTBSNT05

- 5) Human body - structure and function of organs and systems

BTBSTM06 BTBSTM06
BTBSNT06

- 6) Human bodily processes (metabolism, respiration, digestion)

BTBSTM07 BTBSTM07
BTBSNT07

- 7) Human nutrition, health, and disease

BTBSTM08 BTBSTM08
BTBSNT08

- 8) Biology of plant and animal life (diversity, structure, life processes, life cycles)

BTBSTM09 BTBSTM09
BTBSNT09

- 9) Interactions of living things (biomes and ecosystems, interdependence)

BTBSTM10 BTBSTM10
BTBSNT10

- 10) Reproduction, genetics, evolution, and speciation

c) Chemistry

BTBSTM11 BTBSTM11
BTBSNT11

- 11) Classification of matter (elements, compounds, solutions, mixtures)

BTBSTM12 BTBSTM12
BTBSNT12

- 12) Structure of matter (atoms, ions, molecules, crystals)

BTBSTM13 BTBSTM13
BTBSNT13

- 13) Chemical reactivity and transformations (definition of chemical change, oxidation, combustion)

BTBSTM14 BTBSTM14
BTBSNT14

- 14) Energy and chemical change (exothermic and endothermic reactions, reaction rates)

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If a topic has been taught before this year and also in the current year, check the two boxes that apply. Otherwise, check one box in each row.

BTBSTM15	BTBSTM15 BTBSNT15
BTBSTM16	BTBSTM16 BTBSNT16
BTBSTM17	BTBSTM17 BTBSNT17
BTBSTM18	BTBSTM18 BTBSNT18
BTBSTM19	BTBSTM19 BTBSNT19
BTBSTM20	BTBSTM20 BTBSNT20
BTBSTM21	BTBSTM21 BTBSNT21
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BTBSTM28	BTBSTM28 BTBSNT28
BTBSTM29	BTBSTM29 BTBSNT29
BTBSTM30	BTBSTM30 BTBSNT30
BTBSTM31	BTBSTM31 BTBSNT31

d) Physics

- 15) Physical properties and physical changes of matter (weight, mass, states of matter, boiling, freezing).....
- 16) Subatomic particles (protons, electrons, neutrons)
- 17) Energy types, sources, and conversions (chemical, kinetic, electric, light energy; work and efficiency)
- 18) Heat and temperature
- 19) Wave phenomena, sound, and vibration
- 20) Light
- 21) Electricity and magnetism
- 22) Forces and motion (types of forces, balanced/unbalanced forces, fluid behavior, speed, acceleration)

Taught before this year	Taught 1-5 periods this year	Taught more than 5 periods this year	Not yet taught	I do not know
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e) Environmental and Resource Issues

- 23) Pollution (acid rain, global warming, ozone layer, water pollution)
- 24) Conservation of natural resources (land, water, forests, energy sources)
- 25) Food supply and production, population, and environmental effects of natural and man-made events

f) Nature of Science and Scientific Inquiry Skills

- 26) Scientific method (formulating hypotheses, making observations, drawing conclusions, generalizing)
- 27) Experimental design (experimental control, materials, and procedures)
- 28) Scientific measurements (reliability, replication, experimental error, accuracy, scales)
- 29) Using scientific apparatus and conducting routine experimental operations
- 30) Gathering, organizing, and representing data (units, tables, charts, graphs)
- 31) Describing and interpreting data

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14. In your view to what extent do the following limit how you teach your science class?

Check one box in each row.

		<i>Not at all</i>	<i>A little</i>	<i>Quite a lot</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BTBSLM01	a) students with different academic abilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM02	b) students who come from a wide range of backgrounds, (e.g., economic, language)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM03	c) students with special needs, (e.g., hearing, vision, speech impairment, physical disabilities, mental or emotional/psychological impairment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM04	d) uninterested students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM05	e) disruptive students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM06	f) parents interested in their children's learning and progress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM07	g) parents uninterested in their children's learning and progress	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM08	h) shortage of computer hardware	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM09	i) shortage of computer software	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM10	j) shortage of other instructional equipment for students' use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM11	k) shortage of equipment for your use in demonstrations and other exercises	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM12	l) inadequate physical facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM13	m) high student/teacher ratio	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM14	n) low morale among fellow teachers/administrators	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM15	o) low morale among students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBSLM16	p) threat(s) to personal safety or the safety of students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

BTBSHMW2

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15. How often do you usually assign science homework?*Check one box.*

- never
- less than once a week
- once or twice a week
- 3 or 4 times a week
- every day

If “never,” please skip ahead to Question 19.

BTBSHWMA

16. If you assign science homework, how many minutes of science homework do you usually assign your students?*(Consider the time it would take an average student in your class.)**Check one box.*

- less than 15 minutes
- 15-30 minutes
- 31-60 minutes
- 61-90 minutes
- more than 90 minutes

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17. If you assign science homework, how often do you assign each of the following kinds of tasks?

*Check one box in each row.**Never Rarely Sometimes Always*

- | | | | | | |
|----------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| BTBSWKBR | a) worksheets or workbook | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSPROR | b) problem/question sets in textbook | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSREAR | c) reading in a textbook or supplementary materials | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSWRIR | d) writing definitions or other short writing assignment | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSDATR | e) small investigation(s) or gathering data | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSIEXR | f) working individually on long term projects or experiments | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSGEXR | g) working as a small group on long term projects or experiments | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSFINR | h) finding one or more uses of the content covered | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSRAR | i) preparing oral reports either individually or as a small group | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BTBSJORR | j) keeping a journal | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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BTBSWHNA

18. If students are assigned written science homework, how often do you do the following?I do not assign written homework.

(Check the box and skip to the next question.)

Check one box in each row.

Never Rarely Sometimes Always

BTBSWHR1

- a) record whether or not the homework was completed

BTBSWHR2

- b) collect, correct and keep assignments

BTBSWHR3

- c) collect, correct assignments and then return to students

BTBSWHR4

- d) give feedback on homework to whole class

BTBSWHR5

- e) have students correct their own assignments in class

BTBSWHR6

- f) have students exchange assignments and correct them in class

BTBSWHR7

- g) use it as a basis for class discussion

BTBSWHR8

- h) use it to contribute towards students' grades or marks

BTBSWGT1

19. In assessing the work of the students in your science class, how much weight do you give each of the following types of assessment?

Check one box in each row.

None Little Quite a lot A great deal

- a) standardized tests produced outside the school ...

BTBSWGT2

- b) teacher-made short answer or essay tests that require students to describe or explain their reasoning

BTBSWGT3

- c) teacher made multiple choice, true-false and matching tests

BTBSWGT4

- d) how well students do on homework assignments

BTBSWGT5

- e) how well students do on projects or practical/laboratory exercises

BTBSWGT6

- f) observations of students

BTBSWGT7

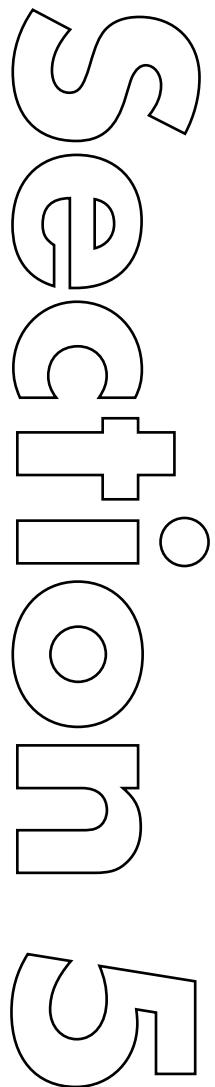
- g) responses of students in class

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20. How often do you use the assessment information you gather from students to...*Check one box in each row.*

		<i>None</i>	<i>Little</i>	<i>Quite a lot</i>	<i>A great deal</i>
BTBGASS1	a) provide students' grades or marks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS2	b) provide feedback to students?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS3	c) diagnose students' learning problems?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS4	d) report to parents?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS5	e) assign students to different programs or tracks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BTBGASS6	f) plan for future lessons?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

THANK YOU for the thought, time, and effort you have put into completing this questionnaire.



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Your school has been selected to participate in the Third International Mathematics and Science Study - Repeat (TIMSS-R), an educational research project sponsored by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA). TIMSS-R is investigating student achievement in mathematics and science in about forty countries around the world. It is designed to measure and interpret differences in national education systems in order to help improve the teaching and learning of mathematics and science worldwide.

This school questionnaire is addressed to school principals and department heads who are asked to supply information about their schools. Since your school has been selected as part of a nationwide sample, your responses are very important in helping to describe the school system in <country>.

It is important that you answer each question carefully so that the information provided reflects the situation in your school as accurately as possible. Some of the questions will require that you look up school records, so you may wish to arrange for the assistance of another staff member to help provide this information. It is estimated that it will require approximately 45 minutes to complete this questionnaire.

When you have completed the questionnaire, please place it in the accompanying envelope and return it to:

<Insert country-specific information here>.

Your cooperation in completing this questionnaire is greatly appreciated.

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BCBGCOMM

1. In what type of community is your school located?*Check one box only.*

- A geographically isolated area
- Village or rural (farm) area
- One on the outskirts of a town/city
- One close to the center of a town/city

2. How many of the following are on the staff of your school?

For each type of position listed, provide the number of full-time equivalents (FTEs) present in your school. For example, one full-time (100% time) teacher represents 1 FTE; one part-time (50% time) teacher represents .5 FTE. A staff member who teaches 50% time and functions as an assistant principal for the remaining 50% represents .5 FTE teacher and .5 FTE assistant principal. Write in 0 (zero) if there are no such positions in your school.

	<i>Number of FTEs</i>
BCBGFTE1	a) Principals
BCBGFTE2	b) Assistant principals
BCBGFTE3	c) Department heads
BCBGFTE4	d) <Classroom teachers>
BCBGFTE5	e) Teacher aides
BCBGFTE6	f) Laboratory technicians
BCBGFTE7	g) Learning specialists
BCBGFTE8	h) Other professional staff

BCBGTTE

3a. How many individual full-time <classroom teachers> are there in your school?*Write in a number.*

BCBGPTE

3b. How many individual part-time <classroom teachers> are there in your school?*Write in a number.*

BCBGTE5Y

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4. What percentage of the <classroom teachers> have been at your school for 5 or more years?

Please indicate a percentage. Write 0 (zero) if none.

_____ %

5. How long do students in your school typically stay with the same teacher?

(For schools with more than lower secondary students, please answer for lower secondary students only.)

Check one box in each line.

		<i>One school year or less</i>	<i>Two school years</i>	<i>Three school years</i>	<i>Four or more school years</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
BCBMTSA1	a) Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSTSA2	b) <General/Integrated Science> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSTSA3	c) <Biology>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSTSA4	d) <Chemistry>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSTSA5	e) <Earth Science>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSTSA6	f) <Physics>.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Cooperation and Collaboration:

Check one box in each line.

		<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
BCBGCOL1	a) Does your school have an official policy related to promoting cooperation and collaboration among teachers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGCOL2	b) Are teachers in your school encouraged to share and discuss instructional ideas and materials?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGCOL3	c) Do teachers in your school meet regularly to discuss instructional goals and issues?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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7. As principal of this school, about how many hours per month do you usually spend on each of the following activities?

Please indicate the approximate number of whole hours for each item. Please write 0 (zero) if no time is spent on an activity.

	<i>Whole hours per month</i>
BCBGAC01	a) Hiring teachers
BCBGAC02	b) Representing the school in the community
BCBGAC03	c) Representing the school at official meetings
BCBGAC04	d) Internal administrative tasks (e.g., regulations, school budget, timetable)
BCBGAC05	e) Teaching (including preparation)
BCBGAC06	f) Giving a demonstration lesson
BCBGAC07	g) Discussing educational objectives with teachers
BCBGAC08	h) Initiating curriculum revision and/or planning
BCBGAC09	i) Talking with parents
BCBGAC10	j) Counseling and disciplining of students
BCBGAC11	k) Responding to requests from <district>, <state>, or <national> education officials
BCBGAC12	l) Training teachers
BCBGAC13	m) Professional development activities
BCBGAC14	n) Other activities

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8. With regard to your school, who has primary responsibility for each of the following activities?

Check one box in each line. If more than one level has responsibility, check the highest level.

		<Not a school responsibility>	<School's governing board>	Principal	<Department head>	Teachers
BCBGRP01	a) Hiring teachers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP02	b) Establishing disciplinary policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP03	c) Establishing student grading policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP04	d) Formulating the school budget	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP05	e) Purchasing supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP06	f) Placing students in classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP07	g) Assigning teachers to classes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP08	h) Determining which textbooks are used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP09	i) Establishing homework policies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP10	j) Determining teacher salaries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP11	k) Establishing community relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP12	l) Communicating with students' families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP13	m) Determining course content	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGRP14	n) Deciding which courses are offered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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9. How much influence do each of the following have in determining the curriculum that is taught in your school?

Check one box in each line.

		None	A little	Some	A lot
BCBGIF01	a) <National Curriculum Council>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF02	b) <National Subject Association>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF03	c) <educational region or district>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF04	d) <school governing board>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF05	e) Principal/head of school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF06	f) Teachers (collectively for the school)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF07	g) Teachers (of same subject) as a group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF08	h) Each teacher individually	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF09	i) Parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF10	j) Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF11	k) Church/religious groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF12	l) Business community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF13	m) Textbook publishers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF14	n) External examinations/standardized tests	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGIF15	o) Teacher unions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Does your school have its own written statement of the curriculum content to be taught (i.e., other than the national or regional curriculum guides)?

Check one box in each line.

		Yes	No
BCBMCURR	a) For mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSCURR	b) For science	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. Has your school developed instructional activities or learning materials to address the curriculum taught in your school?

Check one box in each line.

		Yes	No
BCBMDVLP	a) For mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSDVLP	b) For science	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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12. Is your school's capacity to provide instruction affected by a shortage or inadequacy of any of the following?

Check one box in each line.

		<i>None</i>	<i>A little</i>	<i>Some</i>	<i>A lot</i>
BCBGST01	a) Instructional materials (e.g., textbooks)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGST02	b) Budget for supplies (e.g., paper, pencils)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGST03	c) School buildings and grounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGST04	d) Heating/cooling and lighting systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGST05	e) Instructional space (e.g., classrooms)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGST06	f) Special equipment for handicapped students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBMST07	g) Computers for mathematics instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBMST08	h) Computer software for mathematics instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBMST09	i) Calculators for mathematics instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBMST10	j) Library materials relevant to mathematics instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBMST11	k) Audio-visual resources for mathematics instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST12	l) Science laboratory equipment and materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST13	m) Computers for science instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST14	n) Computer software for science instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST15	o) Calculators for science instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST16	p) Library materials relevant to science instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST17	q) Audio-visual resources for science instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST18	r) Teachers qualified to teach mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST19	s) Teachers qualified to teach <General/Integrated Science>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST20	t) Teachers qualified to teach <Biology>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST21	u) Teachers qualified to teach <Chemistry>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST22	v) Teachers qualified to teach <Earth Science>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBSST23	w) Teachers qualified to teach <Physics>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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13. The students in your school:

*Write in the answer for each of
the following. Write 0 (zero) if
there are none.*

BCBGBENR
BCBGGNR

BCBGABST

BCBGENDY

BCBGTNSF

- | | <i>Boys</i> | <i>Girls</i> |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| a) What is the total school enrollment (number of students)? | _____ | _____ |
| b) On a typical school day, what percentage of students are absent from school for any reason? | _____ | % |
| c) About what percentage of students who begin the year in your school also finish the year in your school? | _____ | % |
| d) What percentage of the students in your school transfer into your school after the beginning of the school year? | _____ | % |

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ALL remaining questions refer to <U-GRADE> students in your school.**14. Concerning <U-GRADE> students...**

BCBGUBER

a) How many students are in <U-GRADE>? _____

BCBGUGER

b) How many students in <U-GRADE> are repeating
the grade? _____

BCBGUBRT

c) What is the approximate average class size
in <U-GRADE>? _____

BCBGUGRT

d) How many <U-GRADE> students are in multi-grade
classrooms? _____*Boys* *Girls*

BCBGUSIZ

BCBGUMGR

BCBGCMP1

BCBGCMP2

BCBGCMP3

**15a. What is the total number of computers in your school
that can be used by students in <U-GRADE> for
instructional activities?***Number
of computers
for students***15b. In addition to the computers indicated above, how many
other computers can be used by <U-GRADE> teachers
(not students) for instructional purposes?***Number
of computers
for teachers***15c. TOTAL number of computers that can be used for
instructional purposes by either students or teachers.***Add the numbers indicated in parts a and b.**Total number
of computers*

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BCBGIACC

16. Does your school have access to the Internet for instructional/educational purposes?*Check one box only.*Yes No **If no,**

BCBGACPL

a) Is your school planning to get Internet access? Yes No

BCBGACYE

b) If yes to (a), when do you expect the school to get Internet access? .. _____ year

(Skip to Question 17.)

If yes,*Check one box in each line.*

	<i>None</i>	<i>1 to 25%</i>	<i>26 to 50%</i>	<i>51 to 75%</i>	<i>76 to 100%</i>
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BCBGNAC2

c) What percentage of the computers listed in Question 15 have access to e-mail?

BCBGNAC3

d) What percentage have access to the World Wide Web? **Has your school <or school system> made any of the following materials available on the World Wide Web?***Check one box in each line.*

<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
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BCBGWB11

e) information about the school

BCBGWB12

f) mathematics curriculum guidelines

BCBGWB13

g) science curriculum guidelines

BCBGWB14

h) mathematics instructional activities

BCBGWB15

i) science instructional activities

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17a. About how often does the school administration or staff have to deal with the following behaviors among <U-GRADE> students?**17b. To what extent do these behaviors present a problem in your school?***Check one box for Frequency and one box for Severity on each line.*

		Frequency in your school					Severity of Problem in your school		
		Never	Rarely	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Not a problem	Minor problem	Serious problem
BCBGUF01		a) arriving late at school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS01									
BCBGUF02		b) absenteeism (i.e., unjustified absences)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS02									
BCBGUF03		c) skipping class <hours/periods> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS03									
BCBGUF04		d) violating dress code	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS04									
BCBGUF05		e) classroom disturbance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS05									
BCBGUF06		f) cheating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS06									
BCBGUF07		g) profanity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS07									
BCBGUF08		h) vandalism.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS08									
BCBGUF09		i) theft.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS09									
BCBGUF10		j) intimidation or verbal abuse of other students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS10									
BCBGUF11		k) physical injury to other students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS11									
BCBGUF12		l) intimidation or verbal abuse of teachers or staff.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS12									
BCBGUF13		m) physical injury to teachers or staff.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS13									
BCBGUF14		n) <tobacco use/possession>.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS14									
BCBGUF15		o) <alcohol use/possession>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS15									
BCBGUF16		p) <illegal drug use/possession>....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS16									
BCBGUF17		q) <weapon use/possession>.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS17									
BCBGUF18		r) <inappropriate sexual behavior>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
BCBGUS18									

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18. For the <U-GRADE> students in your school:

BCBGUDYY

- a) How many instructional days are in the school year? _____ days

BCBGFULW

- b) How many *full* instructional days (over 4 hours) are there in the school week (typical calendar week from Monday through Sunday)? _____ days

BCBGUHFW

- c) How many *half* instructional days (4 hours or less) are there in the school week? _____ half days

BCBGUTHW

- d) How many hours (60-minute hours) *in total* are there in the school week? (*include lunch breaks, study hall time, and after school activities*) _____ hours

BCBGUIHW

- e) How many hours (60-minute hours) of *instruction* are there in the school week? (*exclude lunch breaks, study hall time, and after school activities*) _____ hours

BCBGDIVI

19. Is the school week divided into instructional <hours/periods> for your <U-GRADE> students?*Check one.*Yes No **If yes,**

BCBGUPDW

- a) How many *instructional* periods are there in a school week (typical calendar week from Monday through Sunday)? _____ periods

BCBGUTMP

- b) How many minutes is a typical instructional period? _____ minutes

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20. Schools sometimes organize instruction differently for students with different abilities and interests in mathematics. Which of the following does your school do for students in the <U-GRADE>?

*Check one box in each line.***Yes No**

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|----------|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| BCBMODF1 | a) All classes study similar content, but at different levels of difficulty (e.g., setting or streaming). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMODF2 | b) Students are grouped by ability within their mathematics classes. . | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMODF3 | c) Enrichment mathematics is offered. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMODF4 | d) Remedial mathematics is offered..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMODF5 | e) Different classes study different content or sets of mathematics topics (i.e, students are tracked). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUC3 | If yes to (e), how many courses or tracks are there? _____ <i>number of courses/tracks</i> | | |

21. If all students do not follow the same course of study in mathematics, how important are each of the following factors in deciding which courses of study in mathematics a <U-GRADE> student takes?

Check one box in each line.

	<i>Not important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Moderately important</i>	<i>Very important</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
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|---------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| BCBMUF1 | a) academic performance | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF2 | b) performance on a standardized test | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF3 | c) performance on an entrance examination | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF4 | d) performance on an oral examination | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF5 | e) teacher recommendations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF6 | f) parental wishes..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF7 | g) the student's own wishes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| BCBMUF8 | h) curricular requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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22. Schools sometimes organize instruction differently for students with different abilities and interests in science. Which of the following does your school do for students in the <U-GRADE>?

Check one box in each line.

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--|----|
| BCBSODF1 | □ | □ |
| a) All classes study similar content, but at different levels of difficulty (e.g., setting or streaming). | □ | □ |
| BCBSODF2 | □ | □ |
| b) Students are grouped by ability within their science classes. | □ | □ |
| BCBSODF3 | □ | □ |
| c) Enrichment science is offered. | □ | □ |
| BCBSODF4 | □ | □ |
| d) Remedial science is offered. | □ | □ |
| BCBSODF5 | □ | □ |
| e) Different classes study different content or sets of science topics (i.e., students are tracked). | □ | □ |
| BCBSUC3 | If yes to (e), how many courses or tracks are there? _____ <i>number of courses/tracks</i> | |

23. If all students do not follow the same course of study in science, how important are each of the following factors in deciding which courses of study in science a <U-GRADE> student takes?

Check one box in each line.

- | | <i>Not important</i> | <i>Somewhat important</i> | <i>Moderately important</i> | <i>Very important</i> | <i>Not applicable</i> |
|----------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| BCBSUFC1 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC2 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC3 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC4 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC5 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC6 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC7 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |
| BCBSUFC8 | □ | □ | □ | □ | □ |

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24. On what basis are pupils admitted to your school?*Check one box in each line.*

		Yes	No
BCBGBS01	a) residence in a particular area	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS02	b) student's academic performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS03	c) interview with student.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS04	d) interview with parent(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS05	e) preference given to students with older brothers or sisters in the school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS06	f) preference given according to date of application	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS07	g) recommendation of previous teachers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS08	h) preference given to students from a particular school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS09	i) preference given to children of former students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS10	j) performance on a standardized test.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS11	k) performance on an entrance examination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS12	l) performance on an oral examination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGBS13	m) other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

25. Based on your experience, does your school expect parents to...*Check one box in each line.*

		Yes	No
BCBGEPO1	a) notify the school about any problems their child may be having at home or with classmates?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO2	b) serve as teacher aides in the classroom?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO3	c) raise funds for the school?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO4	d) volunteer for school projects and programs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO5	e) be sure that their child completes his/her homework?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO6	f) assist teachers on trips?.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO7	g) prepare their child's lunchbox?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO8	h) patrol the grounds of the school to monitor student behavior?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO9	i) serve on committees which select school personnel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BCBGEPO10	j) serve on committees which review school finances?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**THANK YOU for your thought, time, and effort in
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