

ISSP 1997 – Work Orientations II

- Questionnaire -

Great Britain

1. Suppose you could change the way you spend your time, spending more time on some things and less time on others.

Which of the things on the following list would you like to spend more time on, which would you like to spend less time on and which would you like to spend the same amount of time on as now?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Much more time	A bit more time	Same time as now	A bit less time	Much less time	Can't choose/ Doesn't apply	
a. Time in a paid job?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2035
b. Time doing household work?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2036
c. Time with your family?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2037
d. Time with your friends?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2038
e. Time in leisure activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2039
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

2. Please tick one box for each statement below to show how much you agree or disagree with it, thinking of work in general.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. A job is just a way of earning money - no more	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2040
b. I would enjoy having a paid job even if I did not need the money	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2041
c. Work is a person's most important activity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2042
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

3. Are you the person responsible for doing the general domestic duties - like cleaning, cooking, washing and so on - in your household?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

(✓)

Yes, I am mainly responsible ☐ (1)

Yes, I am equally responsible with someone else ☐ (2)

No, someone else is mainly responsible ☐ (3)

4. From the following list, please tick one box for each item to show how important you personally think it is in a job.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

How important is ...	Very important	Important	Neither important nor unimportant	Not important	Not important at all	Can't choose	
a. ... job security?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2044
b. ... high income?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2045
c. ... good opportunities for advancement?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2046
d. ... an interesting job?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2047
e. ... a job that allows someone to work independently?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2048
f. ... a job that allows someone to help other people?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2049
g. ... a job that is useful to society?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2050
h. ... a job that allows someone to decide their times or days of work?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2051
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

5. In deciding on pay for two people doing the same kind of work, how important should be ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Essential	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not important at all	Can't choose	
a. ... how well the person does the job?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2052
b. ... the person's family responsibilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2053
c. ... the person's education and formal qualifications?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2054
d. ... how long the person has been with the firm?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2055
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

6. New kinds of technology are being introduced more and more in Britain: computers, robots, and so on.
Do you think these new technologies will over the next few years ...

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... greatly increase the number of jobs, ☐ (1)

... slightly increase the number of jobs, ☐ (2)

... make no difference to the number of jobs, ☐ (3)

... slightly reduce the number of jobs, ☐ (4)

... or, greatly reduce the number of jobs? ☐ (5)

... Can't choose ☐ (8)

7. Do you think that the introduction of new technologies in Britain over the next few years will make work ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... much more interesting, ☐ (1)
- a little more interesting, ☐ (2)
- neither more nor less interesting, ☐ (3)
- a little less interesting, ☐ (4)
- much less interesting? ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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8. Suppose you were working and could choose between different kinds of job.
Which of the following would you personally choose?

a. I would choose ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... being an employee ☐ (1)
- ... being self-employed ☐ (2)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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b. I would choose ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... working in a small firm ☐ (1)
- ... working in a large firm ☐ (2)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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c. I would choose ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... working in a private business ☐ (1)
- ... working for the government or civil service ☐ (2)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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9. Suppose you could decide on your work situation at present. Which of the following would you prefer?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- A full-time job [30 hours or more per week] ☐ (1)
- A part-time job [10-29 hours per week] ☐ (2)
- A job with less than 10 hours a week ☐ (3)
- No paid job at all ☐ (4)

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10. If you were looking actively, how easy or difficult do you think it would be for you to find an acceptable job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very easy ☐ (1)
- Fairly easy ☐ (2)
- Neither easy nor difficult ☐ (3)
- Fairly difficult ☐ (4)
- Very difficult ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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11. Are you currently working for pay?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Yes ☐ (1) → Please answer Q12
- No ☐ (2) → Please go to Q27

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PLEASE ANSWER Q12 - Q26 ABOUT YOUR MAIN JOB

12. Which of the following statements best describes your feelings about your job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

In my job ...

- (✓)
- ... I only work as hard as I have to ☐ (1)
- ... I work hard, but not so that it interferes with the rest of my life ☐ (2)
- ... I make a point of doing the best work I can, even if it sometimes does interfere with the rest of my life ☐ (3)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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13. Think of the number of hours you work, and the money you earn in your main job, including any regular overtime.

If you had only one of these three choices, which of the following would you prefer?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Work longer hours and earn more money ☐ (1)
- Work the same number of hours and earn the same money ☐ (2)
- Work fewer hours and earn less money ☐ (3)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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14. For each of these statements about your main job, please tick one box to show how much you agree or disagree that it applies to your job.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. My job is secure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2120
b. My income is high	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2121
c. My opportunities for advancement are high	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2122
d. My job is interesting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2123
e. I can work independently	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2124
f. In my job I can help other people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2125
g. My job is useful to society	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2126
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

15. Now some more questions about your working conditions.

Please tick one box for each item below to show how often it applies to your work.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	Always	Often	Some- times	Hardly ever	Never	Can't choose	
How often ...							
a. ...do you come home from work exhausted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2127
b. ...do you have to do hard physical work?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2128
c. ...do you find your work stressful?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2129
d. ...do you work in dangerous conditions?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2130
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)	

16. Which of the following statements best describes how your working hours are decided? (By working hours we mean here the times you start and finish work, and not the total hours you work per week or month.)

*PLEASE TICK **ONE**
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- Starting and finishing times are decided by my employer
and I cannot change them on my own ☒ (✓) (1)
- I can decide the time I start and finish work, within certain limits ☐ (2)
- I am entirely free to decide when I start and finish work ☐ (3)

17. Which of the following statements best describes where you work?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- I usually work in one place away from home (e.g. office or factory) ☐ (1)
- I usually work at home ☐ (2)
- I usually work part of the week at home and part at one place away from home ☐ (3)
- I usually work in a variety of places ☐ (4)

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18. Which of the following describes your present job situation?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- It is a job with no written contract ☐ (1)
- It is a fixed-term job lasting less than 12 months ☐ (2)
- It is a fixed-term job lasting for one year or more ☐ (3)
- It is a job with no set time limit ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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19. How much of your past work experience and/or job skills can you make use of in your present job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Almost none ☐ (1)
- A little ☐ (2)
- A lot ☐ (3)
- Almost all ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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20. Now think about the skills that you actually use in your job.

How important would you say each of the following was in developing these skills?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

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important | Important | Neither
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important | Not
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at all | Can't
choose |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. School, college or university | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Training or experience gained
in my present or a previous job | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (8) |

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21. In general, how would you describe relations at your workplace ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Very good	Quite good	Neither good nor bad	Quite bad	Very bad	Can't choose
a. ... between management and employees?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. ... between workmates/colleagues?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)

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22. How satisfied are you in your (main) job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

Completely satisfied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (1)
Very satisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (2)
Fairly satisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (3)
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (4)
Fairly dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (5)
Very dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (6)
Completely dissatisfied	<input type="checkbox"/> (7)
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/> (8)

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

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
a. I am willing to work harder than I have to in order to help the firm or organisation I work for succeed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. I am proud to be working for my firm or organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Given the chance, I would change my present type of work for something different	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. I would turn down another job that offered quite a bit more pay in order to stay with this organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. I am proud of the type of work I do	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)

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24. About how many days have you been absent from work in the last 6 months (not counting vacation)?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- More than 20 days ☐ (1)
- 11 to 20 days ☐ (2)
- 6 to 10 days ☐ (3)
- 1 to 5 days ☐ (4)
- None ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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25. All in all, how likely is it that you will try to find a job with another firm or organisation within the next 12 months?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very likely ☐ (1)
- Likely ☐ (2)
- Unlikely ☐ (3)
- Very unlikely ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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26. To what extent, if at all, do you worry about the possibility of losing your job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- I worry a great deal ☐ (1)
- I worry to some extent ☐ (2)
- I worry a little ☐ (3)
- I don't worry at all ☐ (4)
- Please go to Q35a

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PLEASE ANSWER QUESTIONS 27-34 IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY WORKING FOR PAY

27. Have you ever had a paid job for one year or more?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Yes ☐ (1) → Please answer Q28 and Q29
- No ☐ (2) → Please go to Q30

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28. When did your last paid job end?

In 19

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29. What was the main reason that your job ended?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- I reached retirement age ☐ (01)
- I retired early, by choice ☐ (02)
- I retired early, not by choice ☐ (03)
- I became (permanently) disabled ☐ (04)
- My place of work shut down ☐ (05)
- I was dismissed ☐ (06)
- My term of employment/contract ended ☐ (07)
- Family responsibilities ☐ (08)
- I got married ☐ (09)

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30. Would you like to have a paid job, either now or in the future?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Yes ☐ (1)
- No ☐ (2)

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31. How likely do you think it is that you would find a job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very likely ☐ (1)
- Likely ☐ (2)
- Unlikely ☐ (3)
- Very unlikely ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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32. Are you currently looking for a job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Yes ☐ (1)
- No ☐ (2)

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33. Thinking about the last 12 months, have you done any of the following in order to find a job?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ON EACH LINE

	No	Yes, once or twice	Yes, more than twice	
a. Registered at a public employment agency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2156
b. Registered at a private employment agency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2157
c. Answered advertisements for jobs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2158
d. Advertised for a job in newspapers or journals?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2159
e. Applied directly to employers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2160
f. Asked relatives, friends, or colleagues to help you find a job?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2161
	(1)	(2)	(3)	

34. What is your main source of economic support?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)		
Pension (private or state)	<input type="checkbox"/>	(1)	2162
Unemployment benefits	<input type="checkbox"/>	(2)	
Spouse/partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	(3)	
Other family members	<input type="checkbox"/>	(4)	
Social assistance/welfare	<input type="checkbox"/>	(5)	
Occasional work	<input type="checkbox"/>	(6)	
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	(7)	

EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

- 35a. Central government provides financial support to housing in two main ways.

First, by means of allowances to low income tenants.

Second, by means of tax relief to people with mortgages.

On the whole, which of these three types of family would you say benefits most from central government support for housing?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)		
Families with <u>high</u> incomes	<input type="checkbox"/>	(1)	2163
Families with <u>middle</u> incomes	<input type="checkbox"/>	(2)	
Families with <u>low</u> incomes	<input type="checkbox"/>	(3)	

- 35b. Which of these three views comes closest to your own on the sale of council houses and flats to tenants?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

Council tenants should not be allowed to buy their houses or flats ☒ (1) 2220

Council tenants should be allowed to buy but only in areas with no housing shortage ☐ (2)

Council tenants should generally be allowed to buy their houses or flats ☐ (3)

36. Which of the following statements do you think are generally true and which false?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ON EACH LINE

	True	False	
Council tenants pay low rents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2221
Councils give a poor standard of repairs and maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2222
Council estates are generally pleasant places to live	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2223
	(1)	(2)	

37. Suppose a newly-married young couple, both with steady jobs, asked your advice about whether to buy or rent a home. If they had the choice, what would you advise them to do?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

To buy a home as soon as possible ☒ (1) 2224

To wait a bit, then try to buy a home ☐ (2)

Not to plan to buy a home at all ☐ (3)

Can't choose ☐ (8)

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38. Still thinking of what you might say to this young couple, please tick one box for each statement below to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

<i>PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE</i>	Agree strongly	Just agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Just disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Owning your home can be a risky investment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2225
b. Over time, buying a home works out less expensive than paying rent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2226
c. Owning your home makes it easier to move when you want to	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2227
d. Owning a home ties up money you may need urgently for other things	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2228
e. Owning a home gives you the freedom to do what you want to it	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2229
f. Owning a home is a big financial burden to repair and maintain	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2230
g. Your own home will be something to leave your family	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2231
h. Owning a home is just too much of a responsibility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2232
i. Owning a home is too much of a risk for couples without secure jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2233
j. Couples who buy their own homes would be wise to wait before starting a family	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2234
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	

39. Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

- a. It would be better if everyone paid less tax and had to pay more towards their own health care, schools and the like.

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(✓)

Strongly agree	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	2235
Agree	<input type="checkbox"/> (2)	
Not sure either way	<input type="checkbox"/> (3)	
Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> (4)	
Strongly disagree	<input type="checkbox"/> (5)	
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/> (8)	

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- 39b. Everyone's taxes should go up to provide better old age pensions for all.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Strongly agree ☐ (1)
- Agree ☐ (2)
- Not sure either way ☐ (3)
- Disagree ☐ (4)
- Strongly disagree ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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- c. Taxes should be as low as possible, and people should have to provide more for themselves even if it means that some people suffer.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Strongly agree ☐ (1)
- Agree ☐ (2)
- Not sure either way ☐ (3)
- Disagree ☐ (4)
- Strongly disagree ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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- 40a. How much influence would you say the trade unions have on the lives of people in Britain these days?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- A great deal of influence ☐ (1)
- Quite a bit of influence ☐ (2)
- Some influence ☐ (3)
- Not much influence ☐ (4)

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- b. Do you think they have too much influence, about the right amount, or too little influence?

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- (✓)
- Too much influence ☐ (1)
- About the right amount ☐ (2)
- Too little influence ☐ (3)

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41. Please tick one box for each of these statements about the European Union to show how much you agree or disagree.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	Can't choose
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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42. Some say that more decisions should be made by the European Union. Others say that more decisions should be made by individual governments. For each of the following, do you think that decisions should mostly be made by the European Union or mostly by individual governments?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

Mostly made by the European Union	Mostly made by individual governments	Made by both equally	Can't choose
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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43. Some big decisions could be made either by the MPs we elect to parliament, or by everyone having a say in a special vote or referendum.
For example, who should make the decision about whether or not Britain should replace the pound by a single European currency?
Should the decision be made ...

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OR

... by elected MPs in parliament,

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by everyone in a referendum?

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Can't choose

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44. When Britain asks to be treated differently from the rest of the EU, in your view does this generally ...

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... help Britain's long-term interests in the EU, ☒ (1)
 ... harm Britain's long-term interests in the EU, ☐ (2)
 or, doesn't it make much difference? ☐ (3)
 Can't choose ☐ (8)

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45. How important or unimportant do you think it is for people in Britain that ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not at all important	Can't choose
a. ... they are free to get jobs in any other EU countries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. ... they are able to take their cases to the European Court of Justice, which can override decisions of British courts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. ... Britain is able to sell its goods anywhere else in the EU without paying customs duties?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

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46. Which of these two statements comes closer to your views?

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Workers in Britain should have the same protection as other EU workers against being made to work very long hours ☒ (1)
 OR
 The EU has no business deciding how many hours a week workers in Britain should work ☐ (2)
 Can't choose ☐ (8)

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47. Which of these two statements comes closer to your views?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

The British government should sign up to the Social Chapter so that British workers have the same rights at work as everyone else in Europe ☒ (1)
 OR
 It should always be up to the British government, not the European Union, to decide what rights British workers should have ☐ (2)
 Can't choose ☐ (8)

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48. Please tick one box to say how much you agree or disagree with this statement.

"In a united Europe, the various nations will lose their culture and individuality"

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Agree strongly ☐ (1)
- Agree ☐ (2)
- Neither agree nor disagree ☐ (3)
- Disagree ☐ (4)
- Disagree strongly ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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49. If Britain were to leave the EU, do you think in the long run that Britain's economy would be ...

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- (✓)
- ... better-off, ☐ (1)
- worse-off, ☐ (2)
- or, wouldn't it make much difference? ☐ (3)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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50. How true do you think the following statement is?

"Within the next twenty years or so, a shortage of housing will be one of the most serious problems for Britain."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Definitely true ☐ (1)
- Probably true ☐ (2)
- Probably not true ☐ (3)
- Definitely not true ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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51. Suppose Britain did need a lot more new housing, where do you think most of it should be built ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
 ... at or near the centre of towns and cities, ☐ (1)
 on the outskirts of existing towns and cities, ☐ (2)
 or, in new developments in the countryside? ☐ (3)
 Can't choose ☐ (8)

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52. How about new housing in this neighbourhood? Would you like to see ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
 ... many more houses built around here, ☐ (1)
 a few more houses, ☐ (2)
 or, is it already built up enough around here? ☐ (3)
 Can't choose ☐ (8)

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Now some questions about the countryside.

- 53a. Which one of these two statements comes closest to your own views?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
 Industry should be prevented from causing damage to the countryside, even if this sometimes leads to higher prices ☐ (1)
 OR
 Industry should keep prices down, even if this sometimes causes damage to the countryside ☐ (2)

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- b. And which of these two statements comes closest to your own views?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
 The countryside should be protected from development, even if this sometimes leads to fewer jobs ☐ (1)
 OR
 New jobs should be created, even if this sometimes causes damage to the countryside ☐ (2)

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- 54a. Suppose a rarely-used footpath runs through farming land. Should the farmer be able to get it closed without a lot of fuss and bother?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Definitely ☐ (1)
- Probably ☐ (2)
- Probably not ☐ (3)
- Definitely not ☐ (4)
- It depends ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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- b. Now suppose this rarely-used footpath ran through woods on the farmer's land. Should he be able to get it closed without a lot of fuss and bother?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Definitely ☐ (1)
- Probably ☐ (2)
- Probably not ☐ (3)
- Definitely not ☐ (4)
- It depends ☐ (5)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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55. Please tick one box on each line to show how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

- | | Agree
strongly | Agree | Neither
agree nor
disagree | Disagree | Disagree
strongly |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. New housing should be built in cities, towns and villages rather than in the countryside | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. It is more important to keep green-belt areas than to build new homes there | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Planning laws should be relaxed so that people who want to live in the countryside may do so | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |

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56. Please tick one box for each statement below to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. The government should do more to protect the environment even if it leads to higher taxes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2330
b. Industry should do more to protect the environment, even if it leads to lower profits and fewer jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2331
c. Ordinary people should do more to protect the environment, even if it means paying higher prices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2332
d. People should be allowed to use their cars as much as they like, even if it causes damage to the environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2333
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	

57. Two ideas have been put forward for derelict or unused land near some of Britain's big cities. One is that forests should be planted on this land, to provide somewhere for city-dwellers to visit. The other is that the land should be used for more housing and jobs. Which of these two ideas do you prefer for this land ...

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

	(✓)		
... planting forests,	<input type="checkbox"/>	(1)	2334
or, providing more housing and jobs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	(2)	
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/>	(8)	

Now some questions on roads and public transport.

- 58a. Thinking first about towns and cities. If the government had to choose ...

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OR

... it should improve roads,	(✓)		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	(1)	2335
it should improve public transport .	<input type="checkbox"/>	(2)	

- b. And in country areas, if the government had to choose ...

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OR

... it should improve roads,	(✓)		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	(1)	2336
it should improve public transport .	<input type="checkbox"/>	(2)	

*59a. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?

"Many of the short journeys I now make by car I could just as easily walk."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Agree strongly ☐ (1)
- Agree ☐ (2)
- Neither agree nor disagree ☐ (3)
- Disagree ☐ (4)
- Disagree strongly ☐ (5)
- I never travel by car ☐ (6)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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b. And how much do you agree or disagree with this statement?

"Many of the short journeys I now make by car I could just as easily go by bus."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Agree strongly ☐ (1)
- Agree ☐ (2)
- Neither agree nor disagree ☐ (3)
- Disagree ☐ (4)
- Disagree strongly ☐ (5)
- I never travel by car ☐ (6)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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60. Please tick one box for each statement to show how much you agree or disagree.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

- | | Agree
strongly | Agree | Neither
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disagree | Disagree | Disagree
strongly | Can't
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|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| a. For the sake of the environment, car users should pay higher taxes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. The government should build more motorways to reduce traffic congestion | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Driving one's own car is too convenient to give up for the sake of the environment | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Building more roads just encourages more traffic | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (8) |

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61a. How important do you think it is to cut down the number of cars on Britain's roads?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very important ☐ (1)
- Fairly important ☐ (2)
- Not very important ☐ (3)
- Not at all important ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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b. And how important is it to improve public transport in Britain?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Very important ☐ (1)
- Fairly important ☐ (2)
- Not very important ☐ (3)
- Not at all important ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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62. Many people feel that public transport should be improved. Here are some ways of finding the money to do it. How much would you support or oppose each one, as a way of raising money to improve public transport?

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly support	Support	Neither support nor oppose	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Can't choose
a. Gradually doubling the cost of petrol over the next ten years	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Charging all motorists around £2 each time they enter or drive through a city or town centre at peak times	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Cutting in half spending on new roads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Cutting in half spending on maintenance of the roads we have already	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Charging £1 for every 50 miles motorists travel on motorways	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Increasing taxes like VAT that we all pay on goods and services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(8)

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63a. Please tick one box to show which is closest to your views about the following statement.

"The amount of traffic on the roads is one of the most serious problems for Britain."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Definitely true ☐ (1)
- Probably true ☐ (2)
- Probably not true ☐ (3)
- Definitely not true ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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b. How true do you think the following statement is?

"Within the next twenty years or so, traffic congestion will be one of the most serious problems for Britain."

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Definitely true ☐ (1)
- Probably true ☐ (2)
- Probably not true ☐ (3)
- Definitely not true ☐ (4)
- Can't choose ☐ (8)

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64. Please tick one box for each statement below to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	
a. Ordinary working people get their fair share of the nation's wealth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2353
b. There is one law for the rich and one for the poor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2354
c. Young people today don't have enough respect for traditional British values	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2355
d. Censorship of films and magazines is necessary to uphold moral standards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2356
e. There is no need for strong trade unions to protect employees' working conditions and wages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2357
f. Private enterprise is the best way to solve Britain's economic problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2358
g. Major public services and industries ought to be in state ownership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2359
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	

65. Please tick one box for each statement below to show how much you agree or disagree with it.

PLEASE TICK **ONE** BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Agree strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Disagree strongly
a. It is the government's responsibility to provide a job for everyone who wants one	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. People should be allowed to organise public meetings to protest against the government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Homosexual relations are always wrong	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. People in Britain should be more tolerant of those who lead unconventional lives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Political parties which wish to overthrow democracy should be allowed to stand in general elections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

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- 66a. To help us plan better in future, please tell us about how long it took you to complete this questionnaire.

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- (✓)
- Less than 15 minutes ☐ (1)
- Between 15 and 20 minutes ☐ (2)
- Between 21 and 30 minutes ☐ (3)
- Between 31 and 45 minutes ☐ (4)
- Between 46 and 60 minutes ☐ (5)
- Over one hour ☐ (6)

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- b. And on what date did you fill in the questionnaire?

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Thank you very much for your help

Please keep the completed questionnaire for the interviewer if he or she has arranged to call for it. Otherwise, please post it as soon as possible in the pre-paid envelope provided.