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SELF-COMPLETION QUESTIONNAIRE**

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To the selected respondent:

Thank you very much for agreeing to take part in this important study - the tenth in this annual series. The study consists of this self-completion questionnaire, and the interview you have already completed. The results of the survey are published in a book each autumn; some of the questions are also being asked in twenty-one other countries, as part of an international survey.

Completing the questionnaire:

The questions inside cover a wide range of subjects, but each one can be answered simply by placing a tick (✓) or a number in one or more of the boxes. No special knowledge is required: we are confident that everyone will be able to take part, not just those with strong views or particular viewpoints. The questionnaire should not take very long to complete, and we hope you will find it interesting and enjoyable. **Only you should fill it in, and not anyone else at your address.** The answers you give will be treated as confidential and anonymous.

Returning the questionnaire:

Your interviewer will arrange with you the most convenient way of returning the questionnaire. If the interviewer has arranged to call back for it, please fill it in and keep it safely until then. If not, please complete it and post it back in the pre-paid, addressed envelope, **AS SOON AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN.**

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR HELP.

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C2.01 To begin, we have some questions about women.
Do you agree or disagree ...?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. A working mother can establish just as warm and secure a relationship with her children as a mother who does not work	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2235
b. A pre-school child is likely to suffer if his or her mother works	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2236
c. All in all, family life suffers when the woman has a full-time job	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2237
d. A job is all right, but what most women really want is a home and children	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2238
e. Being a housewife is just as fulfilling as working for pay	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2239
f. Having a job is the best way for a woman to be an independent person	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2240
g. Most women have to work these days to support their families	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2241

C2.02 And, do you agree or disagree ...?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. Both the man and woman should contribute to the household income	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2242
b. A man's job is to earn money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2243
c. It is not good if the man stays at home and cares for the children and the woman goes out to work	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2244
d. Family life often suffers because men concentrate too much on their work	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	2245

C2.03 Do you think that women should work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all under these circumstances?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE

	Work full-time	Work part-time	Stay at home	Can't choose	
a. After marrying and before there are children	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2246
b. When there is a child under school age	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2247
c. After the youngest child starts school	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2248
d. After the children leave home	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2249

C2.04 Do you agree or disagree ...?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. Married people are generally happier than unmarried people	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2250
b. The main advantage of marriage is that it gives financial security	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2251
c. The main purpose of marriage these days is to have children	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2252
d. It is better to have a bad marriage than no marriage at all	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2253
e. People who want children ought to get married	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2254
f. One parent can bring up a child as well as two parents together	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2255
g. It is all right for a couple to live together without intending to get married	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2256
h. It is a good idea for a couple who intend to get married to live together first	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2257
i. Divorce is usually the best solution when a couple can't seem to work out their marriage problems	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2258

C2.05 All in all, what do you think is the ideal number of children for a family to have?

PLEASE WRITE THE NUMBER IN THE BOX



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C2.06 Do you agree or disagree ...?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose	
a. Watching children grow up is life's greatest joy	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2261
b. Having children interferes too much with the freedom of parents	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2262
c. People who have never had children lead empty lives	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2263
d. When there are children in the family, parents should stay together even if they don't get along	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2264
e. Even when there are no children, a married couple should stay together even if they don't get along	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2265

C2.07 Which of these would you say is more important in preparing children for life ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)		
... to be obedient,	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	2266
OR		
... to think for themselves?	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
Can't choose	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	

C2.08 Did your mother ever work for pay for as long as one year, after you were born and before you were 14?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)		
Yes, she worked	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	2267
No	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
Did not live with mother	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	

C2.09a Is your mother still alive?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)
 Yes ☐ 1 → PLEASE ANSWER
 b. BELOW
 No ☐ 2 → GO TO Q2.10

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IF YOU ANSWERED YES AT a.

b. How often do you see or visit your mother?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

(✓)
 She lives in the same household ☐ 1
 I see or visit her:
 ... daily ☐ 2
 ... at least several times a week ☐ 3
 ... at least once a week ☐ 4
 ... at least once a month ☐ 5
 ... several times a year ☐ 6
 ... less often ☐ 7

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EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

C2.10 Have you ever been divorced?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)
 Yes ☐ 1
 No ☐ 2
 Never married ☐ 3

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C2.11 Are you married or living as married now?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)
 Yes, married ☐ 1 → PLEASE ANSWER
 Q2.12 a & b BELOW
 Yes, living as married ☐ 2 → PLEASE ANSWER
 Q2.12a ONLY
 No ☐ 3 → GO TO Q2.13

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PLEASE ANSWER THIS QUESTION IF YOU ARE MARRIED OR
LIVING AS MARRIED

C2.12a Has your husband or wife or partner ever been divorced?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

(✓)

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	} IF YOU ARE LIVING AS MARRIED PLEASE GO TO Q2.13
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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PLEASE ANSWER THIS QUESTION IF YOU ARE MARRIED

b. Did you live with your husband or wife before you got married?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Not married	<input type="checkbox"/>

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EVERYONE PLEASE ANSWER

C2.13 Did you ever live together with a partner
you didn't marry?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

(✓)

Yes, with a previous partner	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, with my present partner	<input type="checkbox"/>
Yes, both with a previous partner and with my present partner	<input type="checkbox"/>
No, never	<input type="checkbox"/>

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C2.14 Do you agree or disagree ...?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Can't choose
a. Working women should receive paid maternity leave when they have a baby	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Families should receive financial benefits for child-care when both parents work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. A pregnant woman should be able to obtain a legal abortion for any reason whatsoever, if she chooses not to have the baby	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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C2.15a Do you think it is wrong or not wrong if a man and a woman have sexual relations before marriage?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- Always wrong ☐ 1
- Almost always wrong ☐ 2
- Wrong only sometimes ☐ 3
- Not wrong at all ☐ 4
- Can't choose ☐ 8

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b. What if they are in their early teens, say under 16 years old? In that case is it ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... always wrong, ☐ 1
- almost always wrong, ☐ 2
- wrong only sometimes, ☐ 3
- or, not wrong at all? ☐ 4
- Can't choose ☐ 8

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c. What about a married person having sexual relations with someone other than his or her husband or wife? Is it ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... always wrong, ☐ 1
- almost always wrong, ☐ 2
- wrong only sometimes, ☐ 3
- or, not wrong at all? ☐ 4
- Can't choose ☐ 8

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d. And what about sexual relations between two adults of the same sex? Is it ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

- (✓)
- ... always wrong, ☐ 1
- almost always wrong, ☐ 2
- wrong only sometimes, ☐ 3
- or, not wrong at all? ☐ 4
- Can't choose ☐ 8

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- C2.16 Sometimes at work people find themselves the object of sexual advances, propositions, or unwanted sexual discussions from co-workers or supervisors. The advances sometimes involve physical contact and sometimes just involve sexual conversations. Has this ever happened to you?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)

Yes ☐ 1

No ☐ 2

Never have worked ☐ 3

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PLEASE ANSWER Q2.17 TO Q2.19 IF YOU ARE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED.
IF NOT MARRIED OR NOT LIVING AS MARRIED, PLEASE GO TO Q2.20.

- C2.17 How do you and your spouse/partner organise the income that one or both of you receive? Please choose the option that comes closest.

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

(✓)

I manage all the money and give my partner his or her share ☐ 1

My partner manages all the money and gives me my share ☐ 2

We pool all the money and each take out what we need ☐ 3

We pool some of the money and keep the rest separate ☐ 4

We each keep our own money separate ☐ 5

Not married or living as married ☐ 6

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PLEASE ANSWER IF YOU ARE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED

- C2.18 In your household, who does the following things?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX
ON EACH LINE

	Always the woman	Usually the woman	About equal or both together	Usually the man	Always the man	Is done by a third person	Can't choose	
a. The washing and ironing	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2326
b. Small repairs around the house	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2327
c. Looking after sick family members	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2328
d. Shopping for groceries	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2329
e. Deciding what to have for dinner	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	2330

PLEASE ANSWER IF YOU ARE MARRIED OR LIVING AS MARRIED

C2.19a Do you and your husband or wife or partner both have paid work at the moment?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX

(✓)
Yes ☐ 1 → PLEASE ANSWER Q2.19b
No ☐ 2 → PLEASE GO TO Q2.20

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b. Who earns more money?

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ONLY

(✓)
The man earns much more ☐ 1
The man earns a bit more ☐ 2
We earn about the same amount ☐ 3
The woman earns a bit more ☐ 4
The woman earns much more ☐ 5

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PLEASE ANSWER Q2.20 AND Q2.21 IF YOU HAVE EVER HAD CHILDREN.
IF YOU HAVE NEVER HAD CHILDREN, PLEASE GO TO Q2.22.

C2.20 Did you work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE

	Worked full-time	Worked part-time	Stayed at home	Does not apply	
a. <u>After</u> marrying and <u>before</u> you had children?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2333
b. And what about when a child was <u>under</u> school age?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2334
c. After the <u>youngest</u> child started school?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2335
d. And how about <u>after</u> the children left home?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2336

C2.21 What about your spouse/partner at that time - did he/she work outside the home full-time, part-time or not at all ...

PLEASE TICK ONE BOX ON EACH LINE

	Worked full-time	Worked part-time	Stayed at home	Does not apply	
a. <u>After</u> marrying and <u>before</u> you had children?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2337
b. And what about when a child was <u>under</u> school age?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2338
c. After the <u>youngest</u> child started school?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2339
d. And how about <u>after</u> the children left home?	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	2340