



## Young Life and Times 2024 survey questionnaire

### Version A

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The first questions we would like to ask are about you and your family. We ask these questions to find out if young people from different backgrounds have different experiences. We cannot use this information to identify you.

1. What is your gender identity? (Select one answer only) **RSEX**

Male	1
Female	2
Non-binary	3
Male to female transgender	4
Female to male transgender	5
Other (type in)	6

2. How many years have you lived in Northern Ireland? (Type in) **YEARSNI**

\_\_\_\_ Years

3. If you have not always lived in Northern Ireland, what other countries have you lived in? (Type in)

**WHERELIV**

4. Would you describe the place where you live as ... (Select one answer only) **PLACELIV**

A big city	1
The suburbs or outskirts of a big city	2
A small city or town	3
A country village	4
A farm or home in the country	5
I don't know	6

5. Would you describe your area as... (Select one answer only) **LIVEAREA**

Mainly Catholic	1
Mainly Protestant	2
Neither Catholic nor Protestant	3
Mixed	4
I don't know	5

6. What have you been doing since October 2023? (Select one answer only) **THISOCT**

At school or college full time	1
Working full time	2
Working part time	3
At school or college and working part time	4
On a training scheme	5
Unemployed	6
Other (type in)	7

**7. What do you think you will be doing in two years' time, in October 2025? (Select one answer only) OCT2YRS**

Going to college or university full time	1
Working full time	2
Working part time	3
At college or university and working part time	4
On a training scheme	5
Unemployed	6
Other (type in)	7

**8. What type of school do you attend? If you have left school, what type of school did you last attend? (Select one answer only) TYPESCHL**

Planned Integrated	1
Grammar	2
Secondary	3
Irish Language	4
Special School	5
Further Education College	6
Other (type in)	7

**9. Would you describe your school/college as... (Select one answer only) SCHGEND**

An all-girls school/college	1
An all-boys school/college	2
A mixed boys and girls school/college	3

**10. Would you describe your school/college as ... (Select one answer only) RELSCHL**

All or nearly all Protestant	1
All or nearly all Catholic	2
Mostly Protestant	3
Mostly Catholic	4
About half Protestant and half Catholic	5
I don't know	6

**11. Do you have any physical, mental or developmental/sensory health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last for 12 months or more? (Select one answer only) DISAB**

Yes	1	Ask question 12
No	2	Skip to question 13

**12. Does your condition or illness/do any of your conditions or illnesses reduce your ability to carry out day-to day activities? (Select one answer only) LIMDISAB**

Yes, a lot	1
Yes, a little	2
No, not at all	3

**13. Which of the following statements applies best to you? (Select one answer only) SEXATT**
**I have felt sexually attracted:**

... only to females and never to males	1
... more often to females and at least once to a male	2
... about equally often to females and males	3
... more often to males and at least once to a female	4
... only to males and never to females	5
I have never felt sexually attracted to anyone	6

**14. Do you currently live with your parents, including adoptive parents? (Select one answer only) LIVEPAR**

Yes, with my mother and my father in the same household	1
Yes, with my mother, but not my father	2
Yes, with my father, but not my mother	3
Yes, with my mother for some of the time and with my father for some of the time	4
Other (Type in who you live with)	5

**15. How well off do you think your family is financially? (Select one answer only) WELLOFF**

Not at all well off	1
Not very well off	2
Average	3
Well off	4
Very well off	5
I don't know	6

**16. Do you regard yourself as belonging to any particular religion? (Select one answer only) ANYRELIG**

Yes	1	Ask question 17
No	2	Skip to question 18

**17. If yes, which? (Select one answer only) RELIGION**

Church of Ireland (Anglican)	1
Catholic	2
Presbyterian	3
Methodist	4
Baptist	5
Free Presbyterian	6
Brethren	7
Muslim	8
Other (Type in)	9

**18. Which of the following best describes the way you think of yourself? (Tick all that apply) NINATID**

British NINATIDBR	1
Irish NINATIDIR	1
Ulster NINATIDUL	1
Northern Irish NINATIDNI	1
Other (Type in) NINATIDOT	1
I don't know NINATIDDK	1

**19. Which ethnic group do you consider you belong to? Please choose one of the following options that best describes your ethnic group or background. (Select one answer only) ETHNCAT1**

White	1	Skip to question 21
Irish Traveller	2	Skip to question 21
White and Black Caribbean	3	Skip to question 21
White and Black African	4	Skip to question 21
White and Asian	5	Skip to question 21
Other mixed/multiple ethnic background	6	Ask question 20
Indian	7	Skip to question 21
Pakistani	8	Skip to question 21
Bangladeshi	9	Skip to question 21
Chinese	10	Skip to question 21
Other Asian background	11	Ask question 20
African	12	Skip to question 21
Caribbean	13	Skip to question 21
Other Black/African/Caribbean background	14	Ask question 20
Arab	15	Skip to question 21
Any other ethnic group	16	Ask question 20

**20. How would you describe your ethnic background? (Type in) ETHNCAT2**

**21. Do you consider yourself to be a member of a minority ethnic community? (Select one answer only) MEMMEC**

Yes	1
No	2

**The next few questions are about your experiences of community relations in Northern Ireland.**

Some people feel a sense of belonging in their neighbourhood because they have things in common with other people living there, for example, they might have lots of friends and family or there might be people of the same religion. Other people feel a sense of belonging just because they know their neighbours and people say hello to them in the street. Sometimes people don't feel that they belong because other people in the neighbourhood are very different to them.

**22. Thinking about your neighbourhood, the kind of place it is and the kind of people who live there, would you say that you feel a sense of belonging to your neighbourhood? (Select one answer only) BELONGNG**

Yes, definitely	1
Yes, probably	2
Probably not	3
Definitely not	4
I don't know	5

**23. Do you feel that you have any influence when it comes to any of the local decisions made in your neighbourhood?** (Select one answer only) **INFLHERE**

Yes, definitely	1
Yes, probably	2
Probably not	3
Definitely not	4
I don't know	5

**24. Thinking about Northern Ireland as a whole, the kind of place it is and the kind of people who live here, would you say that you feel a sense of belonging to Northern Ireland?** (Select one answer only) **BELONGNI**

Yes, definitely	1
Yes, probably	2
Probably not	3
Definitely not	4
I don't know	5

**25. Do you feel that you have any influence when it comes to any of the decisions made about what happens in Northern Ireland?** (Select one answer only) **INFLUNI**

Yes, definitely	1
Yes, probably	2
Probably not	3
Definitely not	4
I don't know	5

**26. In general, how much would you agree or disagree that Northern Ireland is a place where people respect each other?** (Select one answer only) **RSNI**

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Neither agree nor disagree	3
Disagree	4
Strongly disagree	5
I don't know	6

**27. Do you think the following facilities in this area are 'shared and open' to both Protestants and Catholics?** (Select one answer only)

	Yes, definitely	Yes, probably	No, probably not	No, definitely not	None in this area	I don't know
Leisure centres <b>SHLEIS</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Parks <b>SHPARK</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Libraries <b>SHLIB</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Shops <b>SHSHOP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**28. Do you think that leisure centres, parks, libraries and shops in this area are 'shared and open' to people from minority ethnic communities?** **SHMINETH** (Select one answer only)

	Yes, definitely	Yes, probably	No, probably not	No, definitely not	None in this area	I don't know
	1	2	3	4	5	6

**29. Supposing there was an event that you wanted to go to in a nearby town. How safe do you think you would feel going to it if it was to be held on these premises? (Select one answer only)**

	Very safe	Quite safe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Quite unsafe	Very unsafe	I don't know
<b>A GAA club</b> <b>SAFEGAA</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>An Orange Hall</b> <b>SAFEOH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>A Catholic Secondary School</b> <b>SAFECSCH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>A Protestant Secondary School</b> <b>SAFEPSCH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**30. Has there been any time in the last year when you personally have felt intimidated by: (Select one answer only)**

	Yes	No	I don't know
<b>Republican kerb paintings, murals or flags</b> <b>REPMURAL</b>	1	2	3
<b>Loyalist kerb paintings, murals or flags</b> <b>LOYMURAL</b>	1	2	3

**31. How much do you agree or disagree that the culture and traditions of the following communities add to the richness and diversity of Northern Ireland society? (Select one answer only)**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I don't know
<b>The Catholic community</b> <b>CTHCRICH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>The Protestant community</b> <b>PRCRICH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>Different minority ethnic groups</b> <b>EMCRICH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**32. How often do you socialise or play sport with people from a different religious community to yourself? (Select one answer only)** **SOCDIFF**

Very often	1
Sometimes	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
I don't know	5

**33. How often do you socialise or play sport with people from a different ethnic background to yourself? (Select one answer only)** **SOCMEG**

Very often	1
Sometimes	2
Rarely	3
Never	4
I don't know	5

**34. How favourable or unfavourable do you feel about people from... (Select one answer only)**

	Very favourable	Quite favourable	Neither favourable nor unfavourable	Quite unfavourable	Very unfavourable	I don't know
The Catholic community <b>FEELCATH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
The Protestant community <b>FEELPROT</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Minority ethnic communities <b>FEELMEC</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**35. How much do you think MOST YOUNG PEOPLE in Northern Ireland would mind if one of their close friends were to date someone with...?**

	Would mind a lot	Would mind a little	Would not mind	I don't know
...a different religious background <b>FDATEREL</b>	1	2	3	4
...a different ethnic background <b>FDATEETH</b>	1	2	3	4

**36. And how much would YOU PERSONALLY mind if one of your best friends was to date someone with...?**

	Would mind a lot	Would mind a little	Would not mind	I don't know
... a different religious background <b>UDATEREL</b>	1	2	3	4
...a different ethnic background <b>UDATEETH</b>	1	2	3	4

The government and/or local councils give money every year to schemes which are designed to help improve relations between the different religions and communities in Northern Ireland. The schemes include camps for children and young people; various cross community projects; or using joint community facilities.

**37. Have you or anyone in your family ever taken part in any of these camps or cross community projects or used joint community facilities? (Select one answer only) **CCPRJ****

Yes, I have	1
Yes, someone in my family has	2
Both I and others in my family have	3
No	4
I don't know	5



**SHARED EDUCATION** encourages schools to work together and partner with other schools where most pupils are from different religious or social backgrounds. Such sharing has to take place on a **REGULAR AND CONTINUED BASIS** over the academic year, for example, through classes or projects with pupils from another school, or through sharing computers or sports facilities on a regular basis.

**38. Have you ever been involved in Shared Education? (Select ALL that apply) DONEWHAT 1-5**

Yes, I have had classes with pupils from other schools	1
Yes, I have done projects with pupils from other schools	1
Yes, I have used or shared sports facilities or equipment, like computers	1
Yes, I have done something else ( <i>Please type in</i> )	1
No, I have never taken part in Shared Education	1

Schools and youth projects are required to help young people to have a better understanding of diversity in our society and promote the equal treatment of different groups of people. This can be done through discussions, workshops, lessons or videos, but also through exchange programmes, including shared education partnerships in school.

**39. Have you ever done any of this? (Select ALL that apply) CREDSH**

Yes, in school as part of 'Shared Education'	1 CREDSE
Yes, in school, but not as part of 'Shared Education'	1 CREDSCH
Yes, in a youth project or youth centre	1 CREDYP
No, not in school or a youth project or youth centre	1 NOCRED

**40. Thinking about your time in school, have you yourself ever witnessed any kind of racist bullying or harassment in your school? (Select one answer only) RACEBULL**

Yes	1
No	2

**41. And would you describe yourself as very prejudiced against people from minority ethnic communities, a little prejudiced, or not prejudiced at all? (Select one answer only) UPREJMEG**

Very prejudiced	1
A little prejudiced	2
Not at all prejudiced	3
I don't know	4

**42. What about relations between Protestants and Catholics? Would you say they are better than they were 5 years ago, worse, or about the same now as then? (Select one answer only) RLRELAGO**

Better	1
Worse	2
About the same	3
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	4
I don't know	5

**43. What about in 5 years' time? Do you think relations between Protestants and Catholics will be better than now, worse than now or about the same? (Select one answer only) RLRELFUT**

Better	1
Worse	2
About the same	3
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	4
I don't know	5

**44. Do you think religion will always make a difference to the way people feel about each other in Northern Ireland?** (Select one answer only) **RELGALWY**

Yes	1
No	2
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	3
I don't know	4

**45. If you had a choice, would you prefer to live in a neighbourhood with people of only your own religion, or in a mixed-religion neighbourhood?** (Select one answer only) **MXRLGNH**

Own religion only	1
Mixed-religion neighbourhood	2
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	3
I don't know	4

**46. And if you were looking for a job, would you prefer a workplace with people of only your own religion, or a mixed-religion workplace?** (Select one answer only) **MXRLGWRK**

Own religion only	1
Mixed-religion workplace	2
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	3
I don't know	4

**47. And if you were deciding where to send your children to school, would you prefer a school with children of only your own religion or a mixed-religion school?** (Select one answer only) **OWNMXSCH**

Own religion only	1
Mixed-religion school	2
Other ( <i>Type in</i> )	3
I don't know	4

**48. Is there anything else you would like to say about community relations in Northern Ireland?** (*Type in*)  
**COMMENTS**

### The next few questions are about refugees and asylum seekers in Northern Ireland.

Refugees are people who have been given permission to stay in the UK because they have been persecuted in their home country. An asylum seeker is someone seeking refugee status who has not yet received a decision from the Immigration Authorities on whether their application has been successful or not.

**49. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about refugees and asylum seekers generally? (Select one answer only in each row)**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I don't know
I think it is our duty to provide protection to refugees who are escaping persecution in their home country <b>REFPROT</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Northern Ireland is a society that welcomes refugees escaping persecution in their home country <b>REFWELC</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
People's perceptions of refugees and asylum seekers are negatively affected by the media <b>REFMED</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
I would like more opportunities to get to know asylum seekers or refugees <b>REFOPP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Asylum seekers should have the same access to employment as the rest of the Northern Ireland population <b>REFEMP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

### The next few questions are about how you have felt in the last few weeks.

**50. Have you recently been able to concentrate on whatever you're doing? (Select one answer only) **GHQ1****

Better than usual	1
Same as usual	2
Less than usual	3
Much less than usual	4

**51. Have you recently lost much sleep over worry? (Select one answer only) **GHQ2****

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**52. Have you recently felt you were playing a useful part in things? (Select one answer only) **GHQ3****

More so than usual	1
Same as usual	2
Less than usual	3
Much less than usual	4

**53. Have you recently felt capable of making decisions about things?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ4**

More so than usual	1
Same as usual	2
Less so than usual	3
Much less capable	4

**54. Have you recently felt constantly under strain?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ5**

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**55. Have you recently felt you couldn't overcome your difficulties?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ6**

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**56. Have you recently been able to enjoy your normal day-to-day activities?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ7**

More so than usual	1
Same as usual	2
Less so than usual	3
Much less than usual	4

**57. Have you recently been able to face up to your problems?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ8**

More so than usual	1
Same as usual	2
Less able than usual	3
Much less able	4

**58. Have you recently been feeling unhappy and depressed?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ9**

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**59. Have you recently been losing confidence in yourself?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ10**

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**60. Have you recently been thinking of yourself as a worthless person?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ11**

Not at all	1
No more than usual	2
Rather more than usual	3
Much more than usual	4

**61. Have you recently been feeling reasonably happy, all things considered?** (Select one answer only) **GHQ12**

More so than usual	1
About the same as usual	2
Less so than usual	3
Much less than usual	4

The next few questions are about the rights of children and young people.

**62. Have you heard of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, also known as the UNCRC?**

**HEARDUNC**

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3

**63. Have you heard of the Children's Commissioner for Northern Ireland, also known as NICCY?** **HRDCOMM**

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	3

**64. What do you think the Children's Commissioner does?** (Please click one answer only) **COMMDO**

Carries out school inspections	1
Protects and promotes the rights of children and young people	2
Gives money to children to do projects	3
I don't know what the Commissioner does	4

**65. The Commissioner has a duty to let children and young people and their parents/ guardians know about his work and how he can help. How would you prefer to get information from the Commissioner?** (Please select ALL that apply) **COMMINFO**

Through school or youth group	1
On social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, TikTok, Twitter, Instagram)	1
Through the Commissioner's website	1
Through the media (TV, radio, newspapers)	1
Other (please type in)	

**66. Part of the Commissioner's job is to listen to the views of children and young people on issues that affect them. How would you like to give your views to the Commissioner?** (Please select ALL that apply) **COMMVIEW**

Through school or youth group	1
On social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, TikTok, Twitter, Instagram)	1
Through commenting on a website	1
By email	1
By texting	1
By phoning	1

By letter	1
Other (please type in)	

**67. What social media platforms do you think the Children’s Commissioner (NICCY) should use to reach out to young people about their work? (Please select all that apply) **COMMSITE****

Facebook	1
Instagram	1
Snapchat	1
TikTok	1
WhatsApp	1
YouTube	1
None – most young people don’t use social media for things like this	1

**The next few questions are about how you feel about the area you live in.**

**68. How safe do you feel living in this area? (Select one answer only) **SAFEAREA****

Very safe	1
Fairly safe	2
Neither safe nor unsafe	3
Fairly unsafe	4
Very unsafe	5
I can’t choose	6

**69. Would you describe your area as... (Select one answer only) **LOYREPAR****

Mainly Loyalist	1
Mainly Republican	2
Neither Republican nor Loyalist	3
I can’t choose	4

**70. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (Select one answer only in each row)**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I can’t choose
People in this area do not feel confident reporting crime and anti-social behaviour to the PSNI <b>PSNIREP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
The PSNI keep this area safe <b>PSNISAFE</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
People in this area generally abide by the law <b>PPLLAW</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
People in this area feel that they are protected by the law and justice system <b>LAWPROT</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**71. Here are some things that other people have said about the neighbourhood that they live in. Thinking about the neighbourhood you live in how much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? (Select one answer only in each row)**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I can't choose
There are low levels of crime, drugs and anti-social behaviour in this area <b>LOWCRIME</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
There is a strong sense of community in this area <b>STGCOMM</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Paramilitary groups have a controlling influence in this area <b>PMCONT</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Paramilitary groups help keep this area safe <b>PMSAFE</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Paramilitary groups create fear and intimidation in this area <b>PMFEAR</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Paramilitary groups contribute to crime, drug dealing and anti-social behaviour in this area <b>PMDRUGS</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
There is a lot of crime, drugs and anti-social behaviour among young people in this area <b>YPCRIME</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Young people are being influenced too much by paramilitary groups in this area <b>PMINFYP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**The next set of questions is about schools and the education system in Northern Ireland.**

**72. If you were asked to describe the school system in Northern Ireland today, what are the first three words that come into your head? **WRDSCHL3****

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**73. Thinking back to the time when you changed from primary school to your post-primary school, how important or unimportant do you think were the following things for your parents/carers? SHPREF1 - 13**

	Very important	Quite important	Not very important	Not at all important	I don't know
The school was easy to get to <b>SHPREF1</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school was a grammar school <b>SHPREF2</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school had good pastoral care system <b>SHPREF3</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school had a good reputation <b>SHPREF4</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school's religious ethos <b>SHPREF5</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The subjects taught in the school <b>SHPREF6</b>	1	2	3	4	5
Other family members were attending this school <b>SHPREF7</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The extra-curricular activities, including the sports offered <b>SHPREF8</b>	1	2	3	4	5
My friends were also attending this school <b>SHPREF8</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school was attended by pupils from a mix of Catholic and Protestant and other backgrounds <b>SHPREF10</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school celebrated lots of different cultures <b>SHPREF11</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school was a single-sex school <b>SHPREF12</b>	1	2	3	4	5
Something else ( <i>Please type in</i> ) <b>SHPREF13</b> _____					

**74. Did you have any say at the time when your post-primary school was chosen? SCHSAY**

I was asked what school I wanted to go to, and I got a place in my preferred school	1
I was asked what school I wanted to go to, but I did not get a place in that school	2
I was not asked what school I wanted to go to	3
I can't remember	4



75. If you could choose your post-primary school again, knowing what you know now, how important or unimportant would these things be for you now? **SPREFU1 -11**

	Very important	Quite important	Not very important	Not at all important	I don't know
The school is easy to get to <b>SPREFU1</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school is a grammar school <b>SPREFU2</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school has a good pastoral care system <b>SPREFU3</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school's religious ethos <b>SPREFU4</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The subjects taught in the school <b>SPREFU5</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The extra-curricular activities including the sports offered <b>SPREFU6</b>	1	2	3	4	5
My friends are also attending this school <b>SPREFU7</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school is attended by a mix of pupils from Catholic, Protestant and other backgrounds <b>SPREFU8</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school celebrates lots of different cultures <b>SPREFU9</b>	1	2	3	4	5
The school is a single-sex school <b>SPREFU10</b>	1	2	3	4	5
Something else ( <i>Please type in</i> ) <b>SPREFU11</b>					

76. Do you think schools should be allowed to ask pupils for their religious background when they decide who to offer a place? **SCHRBACK**

Yes, if they have a religious ethos	1
Yes, if they need to know the background of pupils to make sure they have a mixed intake	2
No, they should not ask	3
I don't know	4

**77. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your current school or, if you have left school, the last school you attended?**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	I can't choose
I feel my personal identity and views are respected in my school. <b>SCHID</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
My school allows young people to explore controversial issues in groups or classes with different cultures or identities to their own <b>SCHISSUE</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Church representatives should be involved in the running of schools <b>SCHCREP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**78. In Northern Ireland there are schools that would be seen as 'mixed schools' because their pupils come from a number of religions and backgrounds. However, there is a small number of formally integrated schools. Formally integrated schools are required to promote an ethos of diversity, respect and understanding between pupils from different religious beliefs, different social backgrounds, and differing abilities.**

**How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Government should encourage and support integrated education in Northern Ireland. **INTGVSUP****

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Neither agree nor disagree	3
Disagree	4
Strongly disagree	5
I don't know	6

**79. Formally integrated schools must ensure that their pupil intake is reasonably balanced in terms of religious and class background and academic ability. Do you think they also have to do the following? **INTCHAR1 -****

	Yes	No	Don't know
Have a Board of Governors that is religiously mixed	1	2	3
A reasonable balance of staff from different religious backgrounds			
A Christian ethos	1	2	3
Offer subjects important to different cultures (e.g. Irish language, Ulster-Scots, Arabic)	1	2	3
Offer sports often associated with different traditions (e.g. Gaelic Football or Rugby)	1	2	3
Proactively explore difficult or controversial issues	1	2	3
As part of the admission process, ask about children's religious or cultural background so they can achieve a reasonable balance	1	2	3

**80. Thinking about your current school or, if you have left school, the last school you attended, would you personally be in favour of your school being or becoming an integrated school? FAVINSCH**

Yes, I would be in favour of this	1
No, I would not be in favour of this	2
My school is already integrated, and I would keep it that way	3
My school is integrated, but I would prefer if it was not	4
I don't know	5

**Finally, one question about Northern Ireland more generally.**

**81. Northern Ireland is often described as a divided society. How much integration do you personally think there should be between the people who live here in terms of: (Please select ONE box in EACH row)**

	Much more integration	A bit more integration	Keep things as they are	A bit less integration	Much less integration	Don't know
Their religion <b>INTREL</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Their ethnicity <b>INTETH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Their cultural traditions and festivals <b>INTCULT</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
The sports they play <b>INTSPO</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6
Their social class <b>INTCLAS</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6

**82. We will be running another Young Life and Times survey next year. Is there anything that you think we should be asking about life in Northern Ireland in our next survey? (Type in). NEXTYEAR**