

CULTURE QUESTIONNAIRE

Mother Father (Circle) Date _____

Parents teach their children different things about the world. In this questionnaire, we are interested in knowing about parents' policies and attitudes about competition, aggression and physical power. These things are a natural part of life and important issues to parents. You have probably noticed how some of your values and beliefs differ from your spouse and other parents you know. There will be a wide range of opinions on the items below. We would appreciate you indicating your own opinions.

For each item, decide whether you agree or disagree, choose a number between 1 and 7 using the following scale, and put the number to the left of the statement.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
definitely disagree			neutral			definitely agree

Response

Item

1. I let my child watch adventure television shows that have killing and violence in them.
2. If my child were teased by other kids at school, I would want my child to defend himself/herself even if it meant hitting another child.
3. I encourage my child to compete in physical contests, like races and competitive games.
4. When my child does something wrong, talking about it with her helps more than spanking.
5. Members of our family try to one-up or out-do each other.
6. If my child gets into a fight with another child, I won't try to stop it because my child has to show that she/he can defend herself/himself.
7. It is important to keep a gun at home to protect the family.
8. Sometimes a physical fight might help my child have a better relationship with other children.
9. It would bother me if my child saw one adult hit another in real life.
10. Family members often criticize each other.
11. It is okay for my child to play roughly (e.g., wrestling, tackling).
12. Somebody in our family gets angry nearly every day.
13. If I found out my child hit another child, I would be very disappointed, no matter what the reason.
14. I wouldn't mind if my child got a reputation as the "toughest" kid in school.
15. I believe that television violence has a bad effect on children.