

Class: _____ **Student Name:** _____

Name of Homeroom Teacher: _____ **Name of School:** _____

Location of School: County (District): _____ **City:** _____

Province (Autonomous Region/Municipality): _____

China Education Panel Survey

Academic Year 2013-2014

Student Questionnaire for Grade 9

Students answering this questionnaire do not need to fill in the blanks in the box below.

1. Code of Questionnaire: [____|____|____|____|____|____]

2. Code of County/District: [____|____|____|____|____|____]

3. Verifier: _____

Hi Dear Student,

China Education Panel Survey is the first large-scale, nationwide, and longitudinal social survey of junior high students in China. The purpose of the CEPS is to provide detailed and reliable data for the research of the current situation and future development of China's primary education.

CEPS is jointly conducted by the National Survey Research Center (NSRC) at Renmin University of China and academic institutions throughout the country. During the academic year of 2013-2014, we are going to survey nearly 20,000 students as well as their parents, homeroom teachers, subject teachers and school administrators. Through scientific sampling, the whole class of yours have been chosen as subjects of this survey. Therefore, we are asking you here to answer all the questions in this questionnaire truthfully based on your own ideas and experiences.

There are neither right nor wrong answers to these questions and your answers will not be evaluated as part of your academic record. We pledge here that under *the Statistics Law of the People's Republic of China*, we will hold all the information you are going to provide in strict confidence and it will never be given away to any individual or institution. Thank you for your cooperation.

When answering a multiple-choice question, please circle the number of your choice; when answering a blank-filling question, please write down words or numbers on the lines in the square brackets.

National Survey Research Center (NSRC), Renmin University of China

April, 2014

Part A: Personal Background

A1. Your sex is:

1. Male
2. Female

A2. Your date of birth is: [__][__][__][__] [__][__] ([YYYY] [MM])

A3. Your ethnic nationality is:

1. The Han nationality
2. The Mongol nationality
3. The Manchu nationality
4. The Hui nationality
5. The Tibetan nationality
6. The Zhuang nationality
7. The Uygur nationality
8. Other (Please specify: _____)

A4. Your birthplace is:

1. In the local county/district
2. Not in the local county/district
3. Not clear

A5. The location of your Hukou¹ at present is:

1. In the local county/district
2. Not in the local county/district:
County/district: [____], City: [____],
Province (Autonomous Region/Municipality): [_____]

A6. What is the type of your Hukou at present? (Agricultural Hukou refers to rural Hukou, a record that identifies a person as a rural resident. Non-agricultural Hukou refers to urban Hukou. Residential Hukou is a general record of residence assigned to all residents of a certain region, regardless of rural or urban background)

1. Agricultural Hukou
2. Non-agricultural Hukou
3. Residential Hukou
4. I have no Hukou

A7. How old were you when you came to this county/district?

[] years old (Please fill in 00 if you are local born.)

A8. Where do you live at present?

1. In the local county/district 2. Not in the local county/district

A9. How is your birthweight?

1. Light 2. Normal 3. Heavy

Your exact birthweight is [____|____]. [____] jin

(Please notice that the unit of the weight is kilogram, and 1 decimal digit is reserved. Please fill in 00.0 if you are not clear about your exact birthweight.)

A10. Have you ever been seriously ill before you went to elementary school?

1. Yes, I have. 2. No, I haven't. 3. Not Clear.

¹ Hukou refers to a record of household registration system in China that identifies a person as a resident of an area.

A11. Which one of the following best describes the financial conditions of your family before you went to elementary school?

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| 1. Very poor | 2. Somewhat poor | 3. Moderate |
| 4. Somewhat rich | 5. Very rich | 6. Not clear |

A12. How much do you agree with each of the following statements about your experiences in GRADE 6?

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
I would try my best to go to school even if I was not feeling very well or I had other reasons to stay at home.	1	2	3	4
I would try my best to finish even the homework I dislike.	1	2	3	4
I would try my best to finish my homework, even if it would take me quite a long time.	1	2	3	4
I was able to express myself clearly.	1	2	3	4
I was able to give quick responses.	1	2	3	4
I was a fast learner.	1	2	3	4
I was curious about new stuff.	1	2	3	4

A13. Your current height is: [__|__|__] centimeters.

A14. Your current weight is: [__|__|__] jin (Please notice that the unit of the weight is 'kilogram' rather than 'jin')

A15. Are you short-sighted?

- Yes, I am.
The strength of my left eyeglass is [__|__|__] degrees².
The strength of my right eyeglass is [__|__|__] degrees.
- Yes, I am. But I am not clear about the strength of my glasses/lens.
- No, I am not.

A16. Have you been hospitalized over the last year?

- Yes, I have.
- No, I haven't.

A17. Which one of the following best describes your general health condition at present?

- Very poor
- Not very good
- Moderate
- Good
- Very good

A18. Do you have the feelings below in the last seven days?

² Degree is the unit of measurement of optical power of lens or glasses used in China, 100 degrees of short-sightedness = - 1dioptr.

	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often	Always
Feeling blue	1	2	3	4	5
Depressed	1	2	3	4	5
Unhappy	1	2	3	4	5
Not enjoying life	1	2	3	4	5
Sad	1	2	3	4	5

(Please continue to finish Part B.)

Part B: Family Background

B1. Are you the only child of your family?

1. Yes, I am. (SKIP TO B4)
2. No, I am not.

B2. How many FULL OR HALF siblings do you have? (Please fill in 0 if you don't have any sibling.)

- [] elder brother(s)
[] younger brother(s)
[] elder sister(s)
[] younger sister(s)

B3. If the Hukou of your family is not in the local county/district, please answer: do you have any sibling(s) attending schools located in your hometown?

1. The Hukou of my family is in the local county/district.
2. No, I don't have any.
3. Yes, I do. And the eldest one is in grade [] at present.

B4. Which of the following people live in the same household with you at present? (Please mark all that apply.)

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Mother | 2. Father |
| 3. Full or half sibling(s) | 4. Grandparent(s) on mother's/father's side |
| 5. Other relative(s) | 6. Other non-relative(s) |

B5. Which of the following immediate relatives of yours do not live in the same household with you at present? (Please mark all that apply.)

1. Mother
2. Father
3. Full or half sibling(s)
4. All my immediate relatives (if there is any) live with me.

B6. What is the highest education level your mother has completed?

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. None | 2. Finished elementary school |
| 3. Junior high school degree | 4. Technical secondary school or technical school degree |
| 5. Vocational high school degree | 6. Senior high school degree |
| 7. Junior college degree | 8. Bachelor degree |
| 9. Master degree or higher | |

B7. What is the highest education level your father has completed?

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. None | 2. Finished elementary school |
| 3. Junior high school degree | 4. Technical secondary school or technical school degree |
| 5. Vocational high school degree | 6. Senior high school degree |
| 7. Junior college degree | 8. Bachelor degree |
| 9. Master degree or higher | |

B8. What are the occupations of your parents?

	Mother	Father
Government official, staff of public institutions, civil servant	1	1
Middle/Senior management personnel of enterprises/corporations	2	2
Teacher, engineer, doctor, lawyer	3	3
Technical worker (including driver)	4	4
Ordinary staff or worker in production or manufacturing industry	5	5
Ordinary staff or worker in business or service industry	6	6
Self-employed worker	7	7
Peasant	8	8
Unemployed or laid-off worker	9	9
Other	(Please specify:_____)	(Please specify:_____)

B9. Which one of the following best describes the financial conditions of your family at present?

1. Very poor 2. Somewhat poor 3. Moderate 4. Somewhat rich 5. Very rich

B10. Do you agree with the following statements?

	No, I don't agree	Yes, I agree
My father often gets drunk.	1	2
My parents quarrel a lot.	1	2
My parents get along very well.	1	2

B11. Do you have a writing desk of your own at home?

1. Yes, I do. 2. No, I don't.

B12. How many books do your family own? (not including textbooks or magazines)

1. Very few 2. Not many 3. Some
4. Quite a few 5. A great number

B13. Do your family own a computer and have an access to the Internet?

0. No, we don't.
1. We have a computer but no access to the Internet.
2. Yes, we have both.

B14. How much time did you spend on homework assigned by your teachers at school last week?

(Please fill in 00 hours and 00 minutes if no time is spent on the homework.)

[][] hours [][] minutes (on average) from Monday to Friday

[][] hours [][] minutes (on average) at weekends

B15. How much time ON AVERAGE did you spend on the following extra-curricular activities from Monday to Friday last week? (Please fill in 00 hours 00 minutes if no time is spent on these activities.)

	From Monday to Friday (on average per day)
Doing homework assigned by parents or cram school	[__] hours [__] minutes
Taking cram school courses (related to schoolwork)	[__] hours [__] minutes
Playing sports	[__] hours [__] minutes
Reading (not including textbooks)	[__] hours [__] minutes
Watching TV	[__] hours [__] minutes
Surfing on the Internet or playing video games	[__] hours [__] minutes
Helping your parents with housework	[__] hours [__] minutes

B16. How much time ON AVERAGE did you spend on the following extra-curricular activities LAST WEEKEND? (Please fill in 00 hours 00 minutes if no time is spent on these activities)

	At weekends (on average per day)
Doing homework assigned by parents or cram school	[__] hours [__] minutes
Taking cram school courses (related to schoolwork)	[__] hours [__] minutes
Playing sports	[__] hours [__] minutes
Reading (not including textbooks)	[__] hours [__] minutes
Watching TV	[__] hours [__] minutes
Surfing on the Internet or playing video games	[__] hours [__] minutes
Helping your parents with housework	[__] hours [__] minutes

B17. How often do you do the following either alone or with your schoolmates?

	Never	Once a year	Once every half year	Once a month	More than once a month
Visiting museums, zoos, science museums, etc.	1	2	3	4	5
Going out to watch movies, shows, sports games, etc.	1	2	3	4	5

B18. How much time on average do you sleep every night?

[__] hours [__] minutes

B19. What kind of extra-curricular courses do you take? (Please mark all that apply.)

- 0. None
- 1. Mathematical Olympiad
- 2. Ordinary Mathematics (not including Mathematical Olympiad)
- 3. Chinese/Chinese Composition Writing
- 4. English
- 5. Painting or drawing
- 6. Calligraphy
- 7. Music/Musical instrument
- 8. Dancing
- 9. Chess
- 10. Sports
- 11. Other (Please specify: _____)

B20. What hobbies do you have? (Please mark all that apply.)

- 0. None
- 1. Playing musical instruments (Please specify: _____)
- 2. Vocal practices/Singing/Dancing/Acting
- 3. Calligraphy
- 4. Painting or drawing/Animation
- 5. Chess (Please specify: _____)
- 6. Sports (Please specify: _____)
- 7. Other (Please specify: _____)

B21. What do you usually do in winter and summer vacations? (Please mark all that apply.)

- 1. Taking cram school courses (related to schoolwork)
- 2. Attending summer/winter camps
- 3. Helping parents out
- 4. Going back to hometown
- 5. Staying at home
- 6. Other (Please specify: _____)

B22. How often did your parents do the following to check up on your study last week?

	Never	One or two days	Three or four days	Almost everyday
Checking up on your homework	1	2	3	4
Giving instruction on your homework	1	2	3	4

B23. Do your parents care and are they strict with you about the following?

	They don't care.	They do care about it, but are not strict.	They are very strict about it.
Your homework and examination	1	2	3

Your behavior at school	1	2	3
Attendances at school everyday	1	2	3
Time when you get home everyday	1	2	3
Whom you make friends with	1	2	3
Your dress style	1	2	3
Time you spend on the Internet	1	2	3
Time you spend on watching TV	1	2	3

B24. How often do your parents discuss the following with you?

	Your mother			Your father		
	Never	Sometimes	Often	Never	Sometimes	Often
Things happened at school	1	2	3	1	2	3
The relationship between you and your friends	1	2	3	1	2	3
The relationship between you and your teachers	1	2	3	1	2	3
Your feelings	1	2	3	1	2	3
Your worries and troubles	1	2	3	1	2	3

B25. How is the general relationship between you and your parents?

	Not close	Not too close nor too far	Very close
Relationship between you and your mother	1	2	3
Relationship between you and your father	1	2	3

B26. Who will be the first one for you to turn to in the following situations?

	Schoolmates or good friends	Parents	A relative of yours	Teachers	No one
When you want to chat with someone	1	2	3	4	5
When you are in trouble	1	2	3	4	5
When you need help	1	2	3	4	5

B27. What language do you usually speak with your parents?

1. Mandarin Chinese
2. Sometimes dialect of my hometown, sometimes mandarin Chinese
3. Dialect of my hometown
4. Other (Please specify: _____)

B28. How often do you do the following with your parents?

	Never	Once a year	Once every half year	Once a month	Once a week	More than once a week
Having dinner	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reading	1	2	3	4	5	6
Watching TV	1	2	3	4	5	6
Playing sports	1	2	3	4	5	6
Visiting museums, zoos, science museums, etc.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Going out to watch movies, shows, sports games, etc.	1	2	3	4	5	6

B29. How much do you think your parents have done for you?

1. Very little
2. Not very much
3. Not too much nor too little
4. A fair amount
5. A great deal

B30. What is your parents' requirement on your academic record?

1. Being one of the top five of your class
2. Above the average
3. About the average
4. No special requirement

B31. What is the highest level of education your parents expect you to receive?

1. Drop out now
2. Graduate from junior high school
3. Go to technical secondary school or technical school
4. Go to vocational high school
5. Go to senior high school
6. Graduate from junior college
7. Get a bachelor degree
8. Get a Master degree
9. Get a Doctor degree
10. They don't care

B32. How do you feel about such expectation?

1. Not stressed at all
2. Not very stressed
3. Normal
4. Somewhat stressed
5. Very stressed

B33. What kind of job do your parents most expect you to do in the future?

1. Government official, staff of public institutions, civil servant
2. Manager or administrator of enterprises/corporations
3. Scientist/engineer
4. Teacher/doctor/lawyer
5. Designer
6. Artistic performer/actor/host
7. Professional athlete
8. Technical worker (including driver)
9. Other (Please specify: _____)
10. They don't care
11. Not clear

B34. Where do you think your parents most expect you to live and work in the future?

1. In rural area
2. In small or medium cities
3. In big cities, such as Beijing/Shanghai/Guangzhou
4. Abroad
5. They don't care
6. Not clear

B35. Are your parents confident about your future?

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Not confident at all | 2. Not so confident |
| 3. Somewhat confident | 4. Very confident |

(Please continue to finish Part C)

Part C: School Experiences and Activities

C1. Have you ever gone to a kindergarten/pre-school since you were three years old?

1. Yes, since [] years old. 2. No, I haven't.

C2. When did you start to go to elementary school?

At [] years old

C3. From grade 1 to grade 6, how many times have you skipped a grade?

[] times (Please fill in 0 if you have never skipped a grade.)

C4. From grade 1 to grade 6, how many times have you repeated a grade?

[] times (Please fill in 0 if you have never repeated a grade.)

C5. From grade 1 to grade 6, how many times have you suspended your schooling? (Suspension of schooling refers to at least one month of absence from school)

[] times (Please fill in 0 if you have never suspended your schooling.)

C6. From grade 1 to grade 6, how many times have you transferred to a different school?

[] times (Please fill in 0 if you have never transferred to a different school.)

C7. Have you ever taken English courses in your elementary school?

1. Yes, since grade [] 2. No, I haven't.

C8. How did your academic record rank in your class when you were in grade 6?

I ranked about []/[] in my class.

C9. Did you take an entrance examination/placement test when you entered your current school?

1. Yes, I did. 2. No, there's no such test.

C10. Think back when you were in GRADE 6, were the following courses difficult for you?

	Very difficult	A bit difficult	Not very difficult	Not difficult at all	I did not take this course in Grade 6.
Mathematics	1	2	3	4	5
Chinese	1	2	3	4	5
English	1	2	3	4	5

C11. AT PRESENT, are the following courses difficult for you?

	Very difficult	A bit difficult	Not very difficult	Not difficult at all
Mathematics	1	2	3	4
Chinese	1	2	3	4
English	1	2	3	4

C12. How does your academic record rank in your class at present?

1. Near the bottom 2. Below the average 3. About the average
4. Above the average 5. Around the top

C13. How much do you agree with each of the following statements about the main subjects?

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
Mathematics helps a lot with my future development.	1	2	3	4
Chinese helps a lot with my future development.	1	2	3	4
English helps a lot with my future development.	1	2	3	4
My mathematics teacher always asks me to answer questions in class.	1	2	3	4
My Chinese teacher always asks me to answer questions in class.	1	2	3	4
My English teacher always asks me to answer questions in class.	1	2	3	4
My mathematics teacher always praises me.	1	2	3	4
My Chinese teacher always praises me.	1	2	3	4
My English teacher always praises me.	1	2	3	4

C14. Do you agree that boys are better at mathematics than girls?

1. Yes, I do. 2. No, I don't.

C15. Do your parents agree that boys are better at mathematics than girls?

1. Yes, they do. 2. No, they don't.

C16. Do most people around you agree that boys are better at mathematics than girls?

1. Yes, they do. 2. No, they don't.

C17. How much do you agree with each of the following statements about your school life?

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
I am always late for class.	1	2	3	4
I always skip classes.	1	2	3	4
My parents always receive criticism on me from my teacher.	1	2	3	4
My homeroom teacher always praises me.	1	2	3	4

My homeroom teacher always criticizes me.	1	2	3	4
Most of my classmates are nice to me.	1	2	3	4
I think I am easy to get along with.	1	2	3	4
My class is in good atmosphere.	1	2	3	4
I often take part in school/class activities.	1	2	3	4
I feel close to people in this school.	1	2	3	4
I feel bored in this school.	1	2	3	4
I hope that I could transfer to another school.	1	2	3	4

C18. Do you live in school at night from Monday to Thursday?

1. Yes, I do. 2. No, I don't.

C19. How many best friends do you have?

[][] friends

C20. Please write down NAMES of 5 of your best friends truthfully in the first column of the table below, and then fill in the blanks with number that best describes their conditions. (Please write down as many best friends as you have if there are less than 5.)

Names of 5 of your best friends	Sex 1. Male 2. Female	Location of Hukou 1. In the local county/district 2. Not in the local county/district	Does he/she attend the same school with you? 1. Yes. 2. No.	Is he/she in the same class with you? 1. Yes. 2. No.
1_____	[]	[]	[]	[]
2_____	[]	[]	[]	[]
3_____	[]	[]	[]	[]
4_____	[]	[]	[]	[]
5_____	[]	[]	[]	[]

C21. How many of your best friends mentioned above fit in the following descriptions?

	None of them	One or two of them	Most of them
Doing well in academic performance	1	2	3
Studying hard	1	2	3
Expecting to go to college	1	2	3

Skiping classes	1	2	3
Criticized or punished for violating school rules	1	2	3
Always fighting with others	1	2	3
Smoking or drinking alcohol	1	2	3
Always going to net bars or video arcade	1	2	3
Having had or is having a romance	1	2	3
Dropped out of school	1	2	3

C22. What is the highest level of education you expect yourself to receive?

1. Drop out now
2. Graduate from junior high school
3. Go to technical secondary school or technical school
4. Go to vocational high school
5. Go to senior high school
6. Graduate from junior college
7. Get a bachelor degree
8. Get a Master degree
9. Get a Doctor degree
10. I don't care

C23. What kind of job do you most expect to do in the future?

1. Government official, staff of public institutions, civil servant
2. Manager or administrator of enterprises/corporations
3. Scientist/engineer
4. Teacher/doctor/lawyer
5. Designer
6. Artistic performer/actor/host
7. Professional athlete
8. Technical worker (including driver)
9. Other (Please specify: _____)
10. I don't care

C24. Where do you most expect to live and work when you grow up?

1. In rural area
2. In medium or small cities
3. In big cities, such as Beijing/Shanghai/Guangzhou
4. Abroad
5. I don't care

C25. Are you confident in your future?

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|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Not confident at all | 2. Not so confident |
| 3. Somewhat confident | 4. Very confident |

C26. Do you think your classmates from the local county/district will do the following to those who are not from the local county/district? (Please give your answers based on your assumption if you don't have any classmate from non-local counties/districts.)

	Will they do this to students from other <i>urban</i> counties/districts? 1. Yes, they will. 2. No, they won't.	Will they do this to students from other <i>rural</i> counties/districts? 1. Yes, they will. 2. No, they won't.
Making complaints or offensive remarks about them	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Playing together with them	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discussing questions related to schoolwork	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Making friends with them	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C27. Have you ever transferred to a different school since grade 7?

1. Yes, I have. 2. No, I haven't. (SKIP TO C29)

C28. Please fill in the blanks the types of junior high schools you have attended previously (NOT INCLUDING YOUR CURRENT SCHOOL):

	Types of school 1. Public school 2. Privately-run and state-subsidized school [See Note] 3. Privately-run school 4. School for migrant children	Is this school in the same county/district as your current school? 1. Yes, it is. 2. No, it is not.
Fall semester of Grade 7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spring semester of Grade 7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fall semester of Grade 8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spring semester of Grade 8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: *Privately-run and state-subsidized schools are those run by civilians where students' tuitions are paid by the government.*

C29. What kind of advice do you think your homeroom teacher will give to you about your education after junior high school?

1. Going to a key senior high school
2. Going to an ordinary senior high school
3. Going to a vocational high school
4. Going to a technical secondary school/technical school
5. Not going any further after graduating from junior high school
6. None

C30. In grade 9, what kind of preparation will be made in your class for the coming senior high school entrance examination? (Please mark all that apply.)

- 0. None
- 1. Finishing school courses ahead of schedule to have more time for a general review
- 2. Arranging a number of exams
- 3. Arranging after-class tutoring

Please continue to answer question C31-C33 in the box below if you are not from the local country/district. Please SKIP TO PART D if you are from the local county/district.

C31. According to the local policy, are you allowed to apply for a senior high school in this city (prefecture-level city)?

- 1. I am allowed to apply for a key senior high school.
- 2. I am only allowed to apply for an ordinary senior high school but not a key one.
- 3. I am not allowed to apply for either an ordinary senior high school or a key one.
- 4. Not clear.

C32. What do you expect to do after graduating from junior high school?

- 1. Going to a senior high school in this city (prefecture-level city)
- 2. Going to a senior high school back in my hometown
- 3. Going to a senior high school in other places
- 4. Going to a vocational high school/technical secondary school/technical school in this city
- 5. Going to a vocational high school/technical secondary school/technical school in other places
- 6. Getting a job
- 7. Other (Please specify: _____)

C33. Among the people around you, do you know anyone elder than you who had left his/her hometown since very young like you and have been successfully enrolled in a college?

- 1. Hardly any
- 2. Very few
- 3. Some
- 4. Quite a few
- 5. A great number

(Please continue to finish Part D)

Part D: Contact Information

We hope to continue the tracking of your growth and improvement in the next year by follow-up surveys. Please leave the contact information of yours and that of your parents, so that we could keep in touch with you:

D1. Your contact information:

Your QQ number: _____

Your mobile phone number: _____

D2. Your family's telephone number: _____

D3. Your father's contact information:

Name: _____

Mobile phone number: _____

D4. Your mother's contact information:

Name: _____

Mobile phone number: _____

This is the end of the questionnaire. Thank you for your engagement and cooperation! We wish you a happy life and a successful future!