

## Student Perception Survey for Secondary Students

Dear Student,
Thank you for participating in this survey. While answering the questions, it is important that you think about your experiences in a specific classroom. The proctor of the survey will tell you the classroom/teacher you should think about. If they have not done so already, please ask.

Your teacher and your principal will not look at your answers. Later, someone from outside of your school will tell your teacher and your principal how the students in your school responded, but not how you or any one individual student answered. Please answer what you really think and feel. You do not have to answer any question that you do not want to answer.

| not want to answer. | Totally Untrue | Mostly <br> Untrue | Somewhat | Mostly True | Totally True |
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| 1. I like the ways we learn in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 2. Students get to decide how activities are done in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 3. My teacher wants us to share our thoughts. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 4. In this class we have to think hard about the writing we do. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 5. Because of my teacher, I think more about going to college. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 6. My teacher asks questions to be sure we are following along when $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{he}$ is teaching. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 7. My teacher asks students to explain more about answers they give. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 8. I think we get more homework in this class than kids in other classes. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 9. Everybody knows what they should be doing and learning in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 10. My teacher in this class makes me feel that $\mathrm{s} /$ he really cares about me. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 11. Our class stays busy and doesn't waste time. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 12. I get nervous in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 13. My teacher makes us think first, before $\mathrm{s} /$ he answers our questions. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 14. My teacher knows when the class understands, and when we do not. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 15. For a new student, this class would be a good one to join. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 16. In this class, I take it easy and do not try very hard to do my best. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 17. If I need help with homework, there is someone at home who can help me. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 18. If you don't understand something, my teacher explains it another way. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 19. My teacher makes learning enjoyable. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 20. Being in this class makes me feel angry. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |


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| 50. In this class, I stop trying when the work gets hard. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 51. If I am sad or angry, my teacher helps me feel better. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 52. My teacher pushes me to become a better thinker. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 53. My teacher takes the time to summarize what we learn each day. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 54. I often feel like this class has nothing to do with real life outside school. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 55. In this class, we learn a lot almost every day. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 56. My teacher seems to know if something is bothering me. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 57. We spend a lot of time in this class practicing for the state test. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 58. I have done my best quality work in this class all year long. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 59. Students in this class don't get to say much about what we think, we mostly listen. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 60. I feel smart when I am in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 61. My teacher checks to make sure we understand what $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{he}$ is teaching us. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 62. Instead of giving us answers, my teacher would rather give us questions to discuss. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 63. My teacher respects my ideas and suggestions. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 64. This class makes me a better thinker. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 65. I am happy with how well I have done in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 66. Student behavior in this class makes the teacher angry. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 67. My teacher explains difficult things clearly. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 68. In this class we have to write every day. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 69. This class is a happy place for me to be. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 70. In this class, my teacher accepts nothing less than our full effort. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 71. Getting ready for the state test takes a lot of time in our class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 72. We get to do a lot in this class, not just listen to the teacher. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 73. Often, I am not sure what I am supposed to be learning in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 74. My teacher gives us time to explain our ideas. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 75. In this class, we learn to correct our mistakes. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 76. When doing schoolwork for this class, I try to learn as much as I can and I don't worry about how long it takes. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 77. Students speak up and share their ideas about class work. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 78. I read at home almost every day. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |


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| 21. Students in this class treat the teacher with respect. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 22. My teacher doesn't let people give up when the work gets hard. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 23. I have learned a lot this year about the state test. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 24. I have pushed myself hard to completely understand my lessons in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 25. My teacher wants me to explain my answers -- why I think what I think. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 26. My teacher has several good ways to explain each topic that we cover in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 27. The comments that I get on my work in this class help me understand how to improve. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 28. Student behavior in this class is a problem. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 29. The teacher in this class encourages me to do my best. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 30. At home, I don't have a quiet place where I can do homework for this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 31. When s/he is teaching us, my teacher thinks we understand even when we don't. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 32. In this class, I get to test or try out my ideas to see if they work. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 33. We get helpful comments to let us know what we did wrong on assignments. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 34. Lessons in this class are often hard for the teacher to make clear. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 35. My teacher makes me want to go to college. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 36. I feel stressed out in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 37. My teacher wants us to use our thinking skills, not just memorize things. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 38. Student behavior in this class is under control. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 39. My after-school activities don't leave me time to finish my homework for this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 40. My teacher really tries to understand how students feel about things. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 41. I hate the way that students behave in this class. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 42. My teacher in this class does not know me very well yet. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 43. My teacher makes lessons interesting. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 44. What I am learning in this class will help me in my life. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 45. My classmates behave the way my teacher wants them to. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 46. My teacher seems to believe in my ability. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 47. This class does not keep my attention--I get bored. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 48. In this class, doing your homework is not very important. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 49. My teacher tells us what we are learning and why. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

79．When homework is assigned for this class，how much of it do you usually complete？（Select one choice．）Never assignedNone of it
$\bigcirc$
Some of it
Most of it
○ All
All plus some extra

80．Outside of class，about how much time in a week do you usually spend doing homework for this class？（Select one choice．）No time
O Half an hour1 hour
$\bigcirc 2$ hours
$\bigcirc$
3－4 hours5－7 hours$8+$ hours

81．During most weeks，how many days a week is there homework to do for this class？（Select one choice．）
$\bigcirc 1$ day2 days
〇 3 days
〇 4 days
$\bigcirc 5$ days
Never assigned

82．Is there a computer at your home？If yes，how many？（Select one choice．）
$\bigcirc \mathrm{No}$
$\bigcirc$ Yes，oneYes，two
Yes，three or more

83．Are you female or male？MaleFemale

84．How many adults live with you？One
Two
More than two

85．How many books are there in your home？
$\bigcirc$
0 to 10
〇 11－24
$\bigcirc$
25－100
100－250More than 250

86．What is you race／ethnicity？（mark all that apply）WhiteBlack or African American
OHispanic／Latino
$\bigcirc$ Asian
Pacific IslanderArabic／Middle EasternWest Indian
Onative American（Indian）
South Asian or East Indian
Other

87．Counting yourself and all others，how many children live with you？
$\bigcirc 1$
$\bigcirc 2$
$\bigcirc 3$
$\bigcirc 4$
〇 5 or more

88．Does anyone in your family speak a language other than English at home？
○ No
$\bigcirc$
SeldomHalf the time
O Mostly
Olways

89．Think of the adult at your house who went to school for the most years．This person：
Did not finish high school Finished a 4－year college degree
○ NoYes

ONo $\bigcirc$ Yes

Finished high school
Finished a professional or graduate degree after college
ONo $\bigcirc$ Yes
O No $\bigcirc$ Yes
Attended some college or earned a 2－year degree

〇 I don＇t knowNoYes

90．When you were younger，what kind of marks（or grades）did you usually get in school？
Oery high
$\bigcirc$
High
O Good
$\bigcirc$ Some good，some not
Usually not very good

91．How long have you been in this class？
$\bigcirc$
For less than two weeksFor about three to four weeksBetween one and two months
More than 2 months

92．What adult was with you while you took this survey？My teacher for this classSomeone who is my teacher this school year，but not my teacher for this classSomeone who is not teaching me this school year

