after school...?
a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential
national school leavers survey '83
Dear

Please will you help us? We want to find out what people think about school and about jobs. Then we can tell others how to change things for the better.

We are writing to school leavers all over Scotland. To get a true picture we need a reply from each person we write to. What you think is very important to us. We will not pass on your name to anyone.

It will not take long to answer the questions on these pages. Put a tick in a box to give your answers like this.

When you have finished it all, please send it back to us in the stamped reply envelope. Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely

Dr Cathy Garner
You AND Your School

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2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)

name of town or village: ________________________

name of Region or county: ________________________

3. Was your last year at school worthwhile? tick one box

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- Religious Education
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- Child Care
- Drama
- Music
- P.E.
- Leisure or Outdoor Education

2. Underline a subject if you took an O grade prelim exam in it.

3. Did you sit the (summer) O GRADE exam in any subject while you were at school? yes... no...

4. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as O grade. Did you take a CSE course in any subject?

   YES  NO

If YES: 

a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course.

   Subject          Result         course not completed
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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you......

   to find things out for yourself?... Yes No
   to complete a project of your own?...
   to work as a member of a group or team?...
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c. Is (or was) the course... tick one box

d. How long does (or did) the course last?

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   □ on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........ 2
   □ unemployed and looking for work ......................................... 3
   □ in full-time education ........................................ 4
   □ doing none of these things ........................................ 5

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2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?

   **YES** □ 1  
   **NO** □ 2 → If NO, please go to the next page

   **If YES:**

   **a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?**
   
   □ work experience (with an employer) .................. Training Workshop ........
   □ Short Training Course .................................. Community Industry ..
   □ or Work Skills Course ................................ Community Industry ..
   □ Community Project ....................................... any other scheme ...

   **b. When did you first start on a scheme?**
   
   month: .................... 
   year: 19 ............

3. Have you left your first scheme?

   **If YES:**

   □ yes .......... □ 1
   □ no .......... □ 2

   **a. When did you leave that scheme?**
   
   month: .................... 
   year: 19 ............

   **b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?**
   
   **Did you...**
   
   □ go on another scheme ........................................ 1
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... jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

month: ............ year: 19 ............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

yes. ...... 1

no. ...... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

YES ...... 1

If YES:

a. In what sort of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)?

d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job?

a part-time job ...... 1

a full-time job ...... 2

4. Are you an apprentice?

yes. ...... 1

no. ...... 2

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

yes. ...... 1

no. ...... 2

6. How did you get your present job?

Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job. Through...

teacher at school ......  
Careers Officer ......  
your parents ......  
brother, sister or friend ......  
another relative ......  
someone on your YOP scheme ......  
Job Centre ......  
private job agency ......  
newspaper or TV advert ......  
your YOP employer keeping you on ......  
your own efforts ......  

1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? 
(if none write '0')

   brothers  sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?  
tick one box

   Mother and father . . . 1  Father only . . . 5
   Mother and step-father . . 2  Boarding school . . 6
   Father and step-mother . . 3  School hostel . . 7
   Mother only . . . 4  Other . . . 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   tick one box

   in a job . . . 1  unable to work
   unemployed . . 2  eg disabled . . 4
   retired. . . 3  dead . . . 5
   don't know . . 6

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now tell us about his last job.
   a. In what sort of business does he work?

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   c. What work does he do in his job?

   d. Is he self-employed? That is, is he his own boss?

6. Does your mother have a paid job?  
tick one box

   yes, full-time. . . 1
   yes, part-time. . . 2
   no. . . 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box

   mother  father
   15 years old or less . . 1 1
   16 years old . . . 2 2
   17 years old or more . . 3 3
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Thank you. Now please post this back to us.

The National School Leavers Survey aims to provide information on the views and experiences of school leavers to help improve education and related services. It is run independently by the Centre for Educational Sociology at Edinburgh University.

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      year: 19 ..................  
   b. Have you left home since you left school?  
      yes. .... 1  
      no. .... 2  

2. Where are you now staying?  
   (If a student, just say where you stay during term)  
   name of town or village: ..................  
   name of Region or county: ..................  

3. Was your last year at school worthwhile?  
   tick one box  
   yes. .... 1  
   no. .... 2  

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?  
   tick one box  
   one . .......... 1  
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2. Underline a subject if you took an O grade prelim exam in it.

3. Did you sit the (summer) O GRADE exam in any subject while you were at school?

- Yes
- No

4. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs?

- Yes
- No

If YES:

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

Did you study...

- in classes at your own school?
- in classes at another school?
- in classes at an FE college in school time?
- in evening classes at an FE college?
- in other classes?

Did you study...

- Yes
- No

Please give details
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   c. Is (or was) the course...
      tick one box
      full-time .................................................. 1
      block release ............................................. 2
      day release ............................................... 3
      evening or other part-time ............................ 4

   d. How long does (or did) the course last?

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   e. Are you still taking the course?

   yes ............................................................... 1
   no ............................................................... 2
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      doing none of these things ............................................................................................ 5

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2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES ................................................................................................................................. 1
   NO ................................................................................................................................. 2
   If NO, please go to the next page

   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school? tick any that apply
      work experience (with an employer) ..............................................................................
      Short Training Course or Work Skills Course ............................................................
      Community Project ....................................................................................................
      Training Workshop ...................................................................................................
      Community Industry ..................................................................................................
      any other scheme ......................................................................................................

   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      month: ........................................
      year: 19 ....................................

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   yes ................................................................................................................................. 1
   no ................................................................................................................................. 2

   If YES:
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      month: ........................................
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   month: .............

   year: 19.............

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   yes. .... 1

   no ....... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

   YES [ ]  

   NO [ ]

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   a. In what sort of business do you work? (e.g. department store, electrical engineering firm)

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)?

   d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job? a part-time job .... 1

4. Are you an apprentice?

   yes. .... 1

   no ....... 2

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

   yes. .... 1

   no ....... 2

6. How did you get your present job? Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job.

   Through...

   teacher at school .... Job Centre. ....

   Careers Officer .... private job agency.

   your parents. .... newspaper or TV advert.

   brother, sister or friend. your YOP employer keeping you on

   another relative. .... your own efforts.

   someone on your YOP scheme ....
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   .......brothers .......sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?  
   tick one box
   - Mother and father
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   - Father and step-mother
   - Mother only
   - Father only
   - Boarding school
   - School hostel
   - Other

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
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   - in a job
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   - retired
   - unable to work (eg disabled)
   - dead
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   tick one box
   - yes, full-time
   - yes, part-time
   - no

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box
   - 15 years old or less
   - 16 years old
   - 17 years old or more
   - mother
   - father

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## You AND Your SCHOOL

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   **If YES:**  
   a. When did you leave school?  
      - month: \[\ldots\]  
      - year: \[19\ldots\]  
   b. Have you left home since you left school?  
      - yes. \[\ldots\]  
      - no. \[\ldots\]  

2. Where are you now staying?  
   *(If a student, just say where you stay during term)*  
   - name of town or village: \[\ldots\]  
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3. Was your last year at school worthwhile?  
   - yes. \[\ldots\]  
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4. How many secondary schools did you go to?  
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- Art
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- P.E.
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   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
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      - Work Skills Course
      - Community Project
      - Training Workshop
      - Community Industry
      - any other scheme

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      - month: 19
      - year: 19

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- School hostel
- Other

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4. Is your father now...

- in a job
- unemployed
- retired
- unable to work
- eg disabled
- dead
- don't know

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now tell us about his last job.
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   b. What is the name of his job?
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6. Does your mother have a paid job? Tick one box

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   **If YES:**
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      - month: . . . . . . . .
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2. Underline a subject if you took an O grade prelim exam in it.

3. Did you sit the (summer) O GRADE exam in any subject while you were at school? yes. [ ]  no. [ ]

4. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? Yes [ ]  No [ ]

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Did you study.....

- in classes at your own school? [ ] 1 [ ]
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- in classes at an FE college in school time? [ ] 1 [ ]
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- in other classes? [ ] 1 [ ]

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      - doing none of these things ........................................ [5]  

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   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school? 
      tick any that apply  
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... jobs

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YES 1
NO 2

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... hours
eg 38 hours

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£ .............. p
write as weekly rate

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yes .... 1
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7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you......

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Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

**PART 1 SUBJECTS**

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now go to PART 2

**PART 2 FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:

1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. Ring your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Mathematics sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
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Food & Nut sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Fab & Fash sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Woodwork sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Metalwork sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Eng/Tech Drawing sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Biology sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
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Physics sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
History sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Geography sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Mod Studies sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
French sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
German sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Art/Design sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n
Music sat prelim 0 sat 0 A B C D E n

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year...
School and College

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school...
   - did your parents want you to stay on for another year?
     - yes 1
     - no 2
   - did any of your teachers advise you to leave?
     - yes 1
     - no 2
   - were you seriously looking for a job?
     - yes 1
     - no 2
   - did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?
     - yes 1
     - no 2
   - did your parents want you to leave?
     - yes 1
     - no 2

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?
   - yes 1
   - no 2

3. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time during your last year at school?
   - yes 1
   - no 2

4. Have you started any course at college since you left school including special courses for people who were unemployed?
   - YES 1
   - NO 2

   If YES:
   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
      - qualification aimed at (if any)
      - course (or subject(s)) studied
        - eg C and G, SNC
        - eg Electrical Engineering,
          Secretarial Studies
       
   b. What is the name of the college?

   c. Is (or was) the course...
      - tick one box
        - full-time 1
        - block release 2
        - day release 3
        - evening or other
          part-time 4

   d. How long does (or did) the course last?

   e. Are you still taking the course?
      - yes 1
      - no 2
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      - in a full-time job ........................................ [1]
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........ [2]
      - unemployed and looking for work ......................... [3]
      - in full-time education .................................... [4]
      - doing none of these things ................................ [5]
   b. Are you now...
      - in a full-time job ........................................ [1]
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........ [2]
      - unemployed and looking for work ......................... [3]
      - in full-time education .................................... [4]
      - doing none of these things ................................ [5]

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES [1] NO [2] → If NO, please go to the next page
   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      tick any that apply
      - work experience (with an employer) .......... [ ]
      - Short Training Course or Work Skills Course ... [ ]
      - Community Project ................................... [ ]
      - Training Workshop .................................. [ ]
      - Community Industry .................................[ ]
      - any other scheme .................................... [ ]
   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      month: .................. 
      year: 19 .................

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      month: ..................
      year: 19 .................
   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      Did you...
      - go on another scheme .................................. [1]
      - get a job with the same employer .................... [2]
      - get a job elsewhere ................................... [3]
      - become unemployed .................................... [4]
      - none of these things .................................. [5]
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

... jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes. month: ________ year: ________

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school? yes. ... 1 no. ... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme? YES ... 1 NO ... 2

If YES:

If YES, please go to the next page

a. In what sort of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm) ........................................

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)? ........................................

c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)? ........................................

d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job? a part-time job ... 1 a full-time job ... 2

4. Are you an apprentice? yes. ... 1 no ... 2

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job? yes ... 1 no ... 2

6. How did you get your present job? Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job. Through...

   teacher at school ... Job Centre. ...
   Careers Officer ... private job agency. ...
   your parents ... newspaper or TV advert. ...
   brother, sister or friend. ...
   another relative. ...
   someone on your YOP scheme. ...
   your YOP employer keeping you on ...
   your own efforts. ...
   newspaper or TV advert. ...
   private job agency. ...
   teacher at school ... Job Centre. ...
YOUR FAMILY

1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (If none write '0')
   brothers ....... sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week? Tick one box
   Mother and father ... 1  Father only ... 5
   Mother and step-father ... 2  Boarding school ... 6
   Father and step-mother ... 3  School hostel ... 7
   Mother only ... 4  Other ... 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now... Tick one box
   in a job ... 1  unable to work 
   unemployed ... 2  eg disabled ... 4
   retired ... 3  dead ... 5
   don't know ... 6

5. Please tell us about your father's job. If he is not working just now tell us about his last job.
   a. In what sort of business does he work? 
   b. What is the name of his job? 
   c. What work does he do in his job? 
   d. Is he self-employed? That is, is he his own boss? yes ... 1  no ... 2  don't know ... 3

6. Does your mother have a paid job? Tick one box
   no, full-time ... 1  yes, part-time ... 2  no ... 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school? Tick one box
   mother  father 
   15 years old or less ... 1  1
   16 years old ... 2  2
   17 years old or more ... 3  3
   don't know ... 4  4
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Thank you. Now please post this back to us.

The National School Leavers Survey aims to provide information on the views and experiences of school leavers to help improve education and related services. It is run independently by the Centre for Educational Sociology at Edinburgh University.

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after school...

a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential

national school leavers survey '83
Dear

Please will you help us? We want to find out what people think about school and about jobs. Then we can tell others how to change things for the better.

We are writing to school leavers all over Scotland. To get a true picture we need a reply from each person we write to. What you think is very important to us. We will not pass on your name to anyone.

It will not take long to answer the questions on these pages. Put a tick in a box to give your answers like this [✓].

When you have finished it all, please send it back to us in the stamped reply envelope. Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely

Dr Cathy Garner
### You and Your School

1. Have you left school?

    *If YES:*

   a. When did you leave school?

   b. Have you left home since you left school?

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)

   - name of town or village:
   - name of Region or county:

3. Was your last year at school worthwhile?

   - yes.
   - no.

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?

   - one.
   - two.
   - three or more.

5. How often did you play truant in your fourth year at school?

   - never.
   - a lesson here and there.
   - a day here and there.
   - several days at a time.
   - weeks at a time.

6. How often did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?

   - never.
   - once or twice.
   - quite often.
   - often.

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?

   - never.
   - once or twice.
   - quite often.
   - often.
WHAT YOU DID AT SCHOOL

1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons.

Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?
Now tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

In English...

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2. While you were still at school did you study for exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs?

If YES: [ ]
NO: [ ]

If NO, please go to the next page

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

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1. When you were in your fourth year at school...
   - did your parents want you to stay on for another year? [ ] yes [ ] no
   - did any of your teachers advise you to leave? [ ] yes [ ] no
   - were you seriously looking for a job? [ ] yes [ ] no
   - did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? [ ] yes [ ] no
   - did your parents want you to leave? [ ] yes [ ] no

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school? [ ] yes [ ] no

3. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time during your last year at school? [ ] yes [ ] no

4. Have you started any course at college since you left school including special courses for people who were unemployed?
   - If YES:
     a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
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        eg C and G, SNC, Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies

        [ ]

     b. What is the name of the college?

        [ ]

     c. Is (or was) the course... 
        - full-time [ ] yes [ ] no
        - block release [ ] yes [ ] no
        - day release [ ] yes [ ] no
        - evening or other part-time [ ] yes [ ] no

     d. How long does (or did) the course last?

     e. Are you still taking the course?
        - yes [ ] yes [ ] no
        - no [ ] no [ ] yes

(continue)
AFTER SCHOOL

1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      __tick one box__
      in a full-time job .........................   1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (e.g. YOP) .  2
      unemployed and looking for work .............  3
      in full-time education ........................ 4
      doing none of these things ..................  5
   b. Are you now...
      __tick one box__
      in a full-time job .........................   1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (e.g. YOP) .  2
      unemployed and looking for work .............  3
      in full-time education ........................ 4
      doing none of these things ..................  5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (e.g. YOP)?
   [ ] YES  [ ] NO  --> If NO, please go to the next page
   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      __tick any that apply__
      work experience
      (with an employer)  . . . Training Workshop . . .
      Or Work Skills Course  . . .
      Community Project  . . . any other scheme . . .
   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      month: .......................  
      year: 19 ....................

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   [ ] yes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .  1
   [ ] no . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .  2
   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      month: .......................  
      year: 19 ....................
   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?  
      Did you...
      __tick one box__
      go on another scheme .....................   1
      get a job with the same employer ..........  2
      get a job elsewhere ........................ 3
      become unemployed ........................  4
      none of these things .....................  5
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

............ jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

month: ..............
year: .........

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

yes. .... 
no. ....

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time) or on a scheme?

YES ....
NO ....

If YES:

If YES: 

a. In what sort of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)?

d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job? a part-time job .... 
a full-time job ....

4. Are you an apprentice?

yes. ....
no. ....

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

yes. ....
no. ....

6. How did you get your present job? Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job.
Through...

teacher at school .... 
Careers Officer .... 
your parents .... 
brother/sister or friend .... 
another relative .... 
someone on your YOP scheme .... 

Job Centre .... 
private job agency .... 
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your YOP employer keeping you on .... 
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- brothers
- sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?

- Mother and father
- Father only
- Mother and step-father
- Boarding school
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- Other

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You AND YOUR SCHOOL

1. Have you left school?
   - **IF YES:**
     a. When did you leave school?
     b. Have you left home since you left school?

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)
   - name of town or village:
   - name of Region or county:

3. Was your last year at school worthwhile?
   - tick one box

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?
   - one
   - two
   - three or more

5. Did you play truant in your fourth year at school?
   - tick one box

6. Did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?
   - tick one box

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?
   - tick one box
1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons. Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you? Now tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

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2. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as 0 grade. Did you take a CSE course in any subject?

- YES [1]
- NO [2] → If NO, please go to the next page

If YES:

a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course.

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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you?

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SCHOOL SUBJECTS AND EXAMS

There are two parts to this page.
Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

PART 1 SUBJECTS

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects

Now go to PART 2

PART 2 FOURTH YEAR EXAMS

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. Ring your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school... **tick yes or no for each one**
   - did your parents want you to stay on for another year? **[ ] yes [ ] no**
   - did any of your teachers advise you to leave? **[ ] yes [ ] no**
   - were you seriously looking for a job? **[ ] yes [ ] no**
   - did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? **[ ] yes [ ] no**
   - did your parents want you to leave? **[ ] yes [ ] no**

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school? **[ ] yes [ ] no**

3. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time during your last year at school? **[ ] yes [ ] no**

4. Have you started any course at college since you left school including special courses for people who were unemployed?
   **YES [ ]**
   **NO [ ]**
   If YES:
   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
      qualification aimed at (if any) **__________________________**
      course (or subject(s)) studied **__________________________**
      *eg C and G, SNC, Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies*

   b. What is the name of the college? **__________________________**

   c. Is (or was) the course... **tick one box**
      full-time **[ ]**
      block release **[ ]**
      day release **[ ]**
      evening or other part-time **[ ]**

   d. How long does (or did) the course last? **__________________________**

   e. Are you still taking the course? **[ ] yes [ ] no**
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).

a. Were you then...

   - in a full-time job                                  [ ]
   - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)  [ ]
   - unemployed and looking for work                   [ ]
   - in full-time education                             [ ]
   - doing none of these things                        [ ]

b. Are you now...

   - in a full-time job                                  [ ]
   - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)  [ ]
   - unemployed and looking for work                   [ ]
   - in full-time education                             [ ]
   - doing none of these things                        [ ]

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?

   YES [ ] NO [ ]

   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school? (tick any that apply)

      - work experience (with an employer) ...
      - Short Training Course or Work Skills Course ...
      - Community Project ...
      - Training Workshop ...
      - Community Industry ...
      - any other scheme ...

   b. When did you first start on a scheme?

      month: .................
      year: 19 .............

3. Have you left your first scheme?

   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?

      month: .................
      year: 19 .............

   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme? Did you...

      - go on another scheme                                  [ ]
      - get a job with the same employer                      [ ]
      - get a job elsewhere                                   [ ]
      - become unemployed                                     [ ]
      - none of these things                                  [ ]
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. 
   (if none write '0')

   .......... jobs

   a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? 
      Don't count schemes.

      month: ............... 
      year: 19.............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

   yes . . . . [1]
   no . . . . [2]

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

   YES [1]
   NO [2] → If NO, please answer question 8 below

   If YES:

   a. In what sort of business do you work?

   .....

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   .....

   c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)?

   .....

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks?

   eg 38 hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job? write as weekly rate

   £ ............. p

   after deductions of tax, etc

6. Are you an apprentice?

   yes . . . . [1]
   no . . . . [2]

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

   If you are now in a job, go to the next page. If you are unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8.

   yes . . . . [1]
   no . . . . [2]

8. When you get a job what do you expect your take-home pay to be (each week)?

   £ ............. p

   write as weekly rate
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   brothers       sisters

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5. Please tell us about your father's job.
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   - Yes: ___
   - No: ___

   *If Yes:*
   a. When did you leave school?
      - Month: ______
      - Year: ___

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      - Yes: ___
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2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)
   - Name of town or village: _____________
   - Name of region or county: _____________

3. Was your last year at school worthwhile?
   - Yes: ___
   - No: ___

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?
   - One: ___
   - Two: ___
   - Three or more: ___

5. Did you play truant in your fourth year at school?
   - Never: ___
   - A lesson here and there: ___
   - A day here and there: ___
   - Several days at a time: ___
   - Weeks at a time: ___

6. Did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?
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   - Quite often: ___
   - Often: ___

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2. While you were still at school did you study for exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs?

If YES: a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

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There are two parts to this page. Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

**PART 1  SUBJECTS**

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now go to **PART 2**

**PART 2  FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:

1. **Tick if you sat prelim in it,**
2. **Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,**
3. **Ring your 0 grade result.**

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

**tick if sat prelim** | **tick if sat 0** | **ring 0 grade result**
---------------------|------------------|---------------------
| Greek               | sat prelim ✓      | sat 0 ✓              |
| English             | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Arithmetic          | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Mathematics         | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Sec Studies         | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Food & Nut/Cookery  | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Fab & Fash/Sewing   | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Woodwork            | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Metalwork           | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Eng/Tech            | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Biology             | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Chemistry           | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Physics             | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| History             | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Geography           | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Mod Studies         | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| French              | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| German              | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
| Art/Design          | sat prelim        | sat 0                |
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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year....
The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school...  
   Did your parents want you to stay on for another year?  
   - Yes  
   - No

2. Did any of your teachers advise you to leave?  
   - Yes  
   - No

3. Were you seriously looking for a job?  
   - Yes  
   - No

4. Did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?  
   - Yes  
   - No

5. Did your parents want you to leave?  
   - Yes  
   - No

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?  
   - Yes  
   - No

3. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time during your last year at school?  
   - Yes  
   - No

4. Have you started any course at college since you left school including special courses for people who were unemployed?  
   - Yes  
   - No

   If YES:
   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
      - Qualification aimed at (if any) course (or subject(s)) studied  
        eg C and G, SNC  
        eg Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies

   b. What is the name of the college?  
      ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 

   c. Is (or was) the course... tick one box
      - Full-time  
      - Block release  
      - Day release  
      - Evening or other part-time.

   d. How long does (or did) the course last?  
      ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 

   e. Are you still taking the course?  
      - Yes  
      - No
## After School

1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).

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2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?

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If YES:

- a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?  
  
  - work experience (with an employer)  
  - Short Training Course  
  - Work Skills Course  
  - Community Project  
  - Training Workshop  
  - Community Industry  
  - any other scheme  
  
  tick any that apply

- b. When did you first start on a scheme?  
  
  - month: ............  
  - year: ............

3. Have you left your first scheme?

If YES:

- a. When did you leave that scheme?  
  
  - month: ............  
  - year: ............

- b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?  
  
  - Did you...  
    - go on another scheme  
    - get a job with the same employer  
    - get a job elsewhere  
    - become unemployed  
    - none of these things  
  
  tick one box
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

   month: ..............
   year: 19 ..............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

   yes. .... 1
   no .... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

   YES 1
   NO 2

   If YES:

   a. In what sort of business do you work?

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   c. What work do you do in your job (or scheme)?

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks? eg 38 hours

   .......hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job? after deductions of tax, etc

   £ ..............p

   write as weekly rate

6. Are you an apprentice?

   yes. .... 1
   no .... 2

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

   If you are now in a job, go to the next page. If you are unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8.

   yes. .... 1
   no .... 2

8. When you get a job what do you expect your take-home pay to be (each week)?

   £ ..............p

   write as weekly rate
1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (if none write '0')
   brothers ... sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?
   tick one box
   - Mother and father ...
   - Mother and step-father ...
   - Father and step-mother ...
   - Mother only ...
   - Father only ...
   - Boarding school ...
   - School hostel ...
   - Other ...

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   tick one box
   - in a job ...
   - unemployed ...
   - retired ...
   - unable to work ...
   - dead ...
   - don't know ...

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now tell us about his last job.
   a. In what sort of business does he work?
   b. What is the name of his job?
   c. What work does he do in his job?
   d. Is he self-employed? That is, is he his own boss?

6. Does your mother have a paid job?
   tick one box
   - yes, full-time ...
   - yes, part-time ...
   - no ...

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box
   - mother ...
   - father ...

   15 years old or less ...
   16 years old ...
   17 years old or more ...
   don't know ...
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Thank you. Now please post this back to us.

The National School Leavers Survey aims to provide information on the views and experiences of school leavers to help improve education and related services. It is run independently by the Centre for Educational Sociology at Edinburgh University.

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after school...?

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national school leavers survey '83
How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

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- yes . . . . . . . 1
- no . . . . . . . 2

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Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 1
1. Have you left school?

If YES:

a. When did you leave school?

b. Have you left home since you left school?

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)

   name of town or village: ...........................................
   name of Region or county: ...........................................

3. On the whole, do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?
   tick one box

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?
   tick one box
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The next section is about the work you did at school and the exams you took. First some general questions about exams.

2. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as O grade.
Did you take a CSE course in any subject?

YES [ ] NO [ ]
If NO, please go to the next page

If YES:

a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course.

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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you.....

- to find things out for yourself? ...
- to complete a project of your own? ...
- to work as a member of a group or team? .......

Yes [ ] No [ ]
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now go to **PART 2**

**PART 2: FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. Ring your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year: □
STAYING ON

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school... 
   - did your parents want you to stay on for another year? yes [ ] no [ ]
   - did any of your teachers advise you to leave? yes [ ] no [ ]
   - were you seriously looking for a job? yes [ ] no [ ]
   - did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? yes [ ] no [ ]
   - did your parents want you to leave? yes [ ] no [ ]

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school? yes [ ] no [ ]

3. Did you start a fifth year at school? yes [ ] no [ ]
   If YES: 
   a. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year? 
      number of Highers intended
      number of O grades intended
      for other exams please specify

4. When you started fifth year did you plan to sit (or re-sit) any subjects at O grade? yes [ ] no [ ]
   If YES: 
   a. Please complete one line for each O grade subject that you were studying at the start of fifth year.
      tick if you sat prelim sat O ring fifth year result

5. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:
   ............... ............... ...............
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).

   a. Were you then...
      - in a full-time job .................................................. 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........... 2
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      - in full-time education ............................................. 4
      - doing none of these things ...................................... 5

   b. Are you now...
      - in a full-time job .................................................. 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........... 2
      - unemployed and looking for work ................................ 3
      - in full-time education ............................................. 4
      - doing none of these things ...................................... 5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?

   YES [ ]  NO [ ]

   If YES, please go to the next page

   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      - work experience (with an employer) ................................
      - Short Training Course or Work Skills Course .................
      - Community Project ................................................
      - Training Workshop ..............................................
      - Community Industry ...........................................
      - any other scheme ................................................

   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      - month: ............... year: 19 ..............

3. Have you left your first scheme?

   YES [ ]  NO [ ]

   If YES:

   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      - month: ............... year: 19 ..............

   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      - Did you...
      - go on another scheme ............................................ 1
      - get a job with the same employer .............................. 2
      - get a job elsewhere ............................................. 3
      - become unemployed .............................................. 4
      - none of these things ........................................... 5
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?

   yes. . . . 1
   no. . . . 2

2. Have you started any course at college, since leaving school?
   (including special courses for people who were unemployed)

   YES 1
   NO 2 —> if NO please go to the next page

   If YES:

   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
      qualification aimed at (if any) course (or subject(s)) studied
      eg C and G, SNC eg Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies

      ........................ ........................
      ........................ ........................

   b. Please tell us more about your course. If you have started more than one course, tell us about the one which is most important to you. Underline it on the list above.

3. Please name the college
   (eg Ayr Technical College, Aberdeen College of Commerce)
   ........................ ........................

4. Is or (was the) course...
   tick one box

   full-time . . . . . 1
   block release . . . . . 2
   day release . . . . . 3
   evening or other part-time. . . . . . 4

   a. How long does (or did) the course last?
      ........................ ........................

   b. Are you still taking the course?
      yes. . . . 1
      no. . . . 2
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? *Don’t count special ’YOP’ schemes for unemployed young people.* *(if none write ‘0’)*

   job(s)

   a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? *Don’t count schemes.*

    | Month: .............. | Year: 19............. |
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2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

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3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

   YES 1

   IF YES:

   a. In what type of business do you work? *(eg department store, electrical engineering firm)*

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

   d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job?

      | A part-time job . . . 1 | A full-time job . . . 2 |
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4. Are you an apprentice?

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5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

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6. How did you get your present job?

   Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job.

   Through...

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1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (if none write '0')

   brothers ... sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week? tick one box

   Mother and father ... 1 Father only ... 5
   Mother and step-father ... 2 Boarding school ... 6
   Father and step-mother ... 3 School hostel ... 7
   Mother only ... 4 Other ... 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...

   tick one box

   in a job ... 1 unable to work ... 4
   unemployed ... 2 eg disabled ... 5
   retired ... 3 dead ... 6
   don't know ... 7

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   a. In what type of business does he work? (eg shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   b. What is the name of his job?
   (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   c. Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.
   d. Is he self-employed?

   tick one box

   yes ... 1
don't know ... 3

6. Does your mother have a paid job? tick one box

   yes, full-time ... 1
   yes, part-time ... 2
   no ... 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school? tick one box

   mother   father

   15 years old or less ... 1 1
   16 years old ... 2 2
   17 years old or more ... 3 3
don't know ... 4 4
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope

The National School Leavers Survey aims to provide information on the views and experiences of school and related services. It is run independently by the Centre for Educational Sociology at Edinburgh University.

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after school...?

a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential

national school leavers survey '83
How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions (such as question 1) there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

yes . . . . . . . . [1]
no . . . . . . . . [2]

If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 1
You AND Your School  

1. Have you left school?  
   yes...  
   no...  

   If YES:  
   a. When did you leave school?  
      month:.................  
      year:19.................  
   b. Have you left home since  
      you left school?  
      yes...  
      no...  

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)  
   name of town or village: .......................  
   name of Region or county: .......................  

3. On the whole, do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?  
   tick one box  
   yes...  
   no...  

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?  
   tick one box  
   one .......  
   two .......  
   three or more .......  

5. How often did you play truant in your fourth year at school?  
   tick one box  
   never .......  
   a lesson here and there .......  
   a day here and there .......  
   several days at a time .......  
   weeks at a time .......  

6. How often did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?  
   tick one box  
   never .......  
   once or twice .......  
   quite often .......  
   often .......  

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?  
   tick one box  
   never .......  
   once or twice .......  
   quite often .......  
   other .......
1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons. Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?

In English...

- the teacher started the lessons on time...
- we nearly always had the proper teacher...
- the teacher knew our names...
- there were enough books or materials to go round...
- the teacher marked our work regularly...
- the teacher could keep order in class...
- we were regularly given homework...
- the teacher made sure we did any homework that was set...

Yes  No

The next section is about subjects studied and exams taken. At the end of fourth year most people sit for the O grade or for 'O' levels.

2. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? (Please don't list your SCE's or GCE's, we will ask about these later)

If YES.

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

Did you study......

- in classes at your own school?...
- in classes at another school?...
- in classes at an FE college in school time?...
- in evening classes at an FE college?...
- in other classes?

Please specify

Yes  No
### PART 1 SUBJECTS

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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### PART 2 FOURTH YEAR EXAMS

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:

1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. **Tick** if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. **Ring** your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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1. When you were in your fourth year at school...
   a. Did your parents want you to stay on for another year? □ yes □ no
   b. Did any of your teachers advise you to leave? □ yes □ no
   c. Were you seriously looking for a job? □ yes □ no
   d. Did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? □ yes □ no
   e. Did your parents want you to leave? □ yes □ no

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school? □ yes □ no

3. Did you start a fifth year at school? □ yes □ no
   **If YES:**
   a. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?
      □ number of Highers intended □ number of subjects
      □ number of O grades intended □ for other exams please specify

4. When you started fifth year did you plan to sit (or re-sit) any subjects at O grade? □ yes □ no
   **If YES:**
   a. Please complete one line for each O grade subject that you were studying at the start of fifth year.
      □ Subject □ sat prelim □ sat O □ ring fifth year result
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5. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:
   □ □ □ □ □ □
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      in a full-time job ...................................... [1]
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........ [2]
      unemployed and looking for work .......................... [3]
      in full-time education ................................... [4]
      doing none of these things ............................... [5]
   b. Are you now...
      in a full-time job ...................................... [1]
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) ........ [2]
      unemployed and looking for work .......................... [3]
      in full-time education ................................... [4]
      doing none of these things ............................... [5]

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES [1] NO [2] If NO, please go to the next page
   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      tick any that apply
      work experience (with an employer) ....... Training Workshop ....... Community Industry ...
      Short Training Course or Work Skills Course .... Community Project .... any other scheme ...
   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      month: .... year: 19 ............

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      month: .... year: 19 ............
   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      Did you...
      go on another scheme ....... [1]
      get a job with the same employer ....... [2]
      get a job elsewhere ....... [3]
      become unemployed ....... [4]
      none of these things ....... [5]
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?

   yes. . . . . [ ]
   no. . . . . [ ]

2. Have you started any course at college, since leaving school?
   (including special courses for people who were unemployed)

   YES [ ]
   NO [ ] > if NO please go to the next page

   If YES:

   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started:
      qualification aimed at (if any) course (or subject(s)) studied
      eg C and G, SNC eg Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies

      ........................................................... ...........................................................

   b. Please tell us more about your course. If you have started more than one course, tell us about the one which is most important to you. Underline it on the list above.

3. Please name the college
   (eg Ayr Technical College, Aberdeen College of Commerce)

4. Is or (was the) course...
   tick one box

   full-time . . . . . . . [ ]
   block release . . . . [ ]
   day release . . . . [ ]
   evening or other part-time . . . . . . [ ]

   a. How long does (or did) the course last?

   ...........................................................

   b. Are you still taking the course?

   yes. . . . . [ ]
   no . . . . . [ ]
1. **How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school?** Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

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   a. **When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school?** Don't count schemes.

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2. **Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?**

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3. **Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?**

   Yes: 1  
   No: 2  

   *If YES:*

   a. In what type of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)

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   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

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   c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

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   d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job?

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4. **Are you an apprentice?**

   Yes: 1  
   No: 2

5. **Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?**

   Yes: 1  
   No: 2

6. **How did you get your present job?**

   Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job.

   Through...

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1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (if none write '0')
   brothers  sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week? tick one box
   Mother and father  Father only
   1                  5
   Mother and step-father  Boarding school
   2                  6
   Father and step-mother  School hostel
   3                  7
   Mother only  Other
   4                  8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   tick one box
   in a job  unable to work
   1                  4
   unemployed  eg disabled
   2                  5
   retired  dead
   3                  6

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   a. In what type of business does he work? (eg shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   b. What is the name of his job?
      (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   c. Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.
   d. Is he self-employed?
      tick one box
      yes
      1
      no
      2
      don't know
      3

6. Does your mother have a paid job? tick one box
   yes, full-time
   1
   yes, part-time
   2
   no
   3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school? tick one box
   15 years old or less
   1
   16 years old
   2
   17 years old or more
   3
   don't know
   4
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope.

The National School Leavers Survey aims to provide information on the views and experiences of school and related services. It is run independently by the Centre for Educational Sociology at Edinburgh University.

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after school .. ?
a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential
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How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions (such as question 1) there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

\[
\begin{array}{c}
\text{yes} \ldots \ldots \ldots \quad 1 \\
\text{no} \ldots \ldots \ldots \quad 2
\end{array}
\]

If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 1
### You and Your School

1. **Have you left school?**
   - yes... 1
   - no... 2

   **If YES:**
   a. **When did you leave school?**
   - month: .................
   - year: 19.................
   b. **Have you left home since you left school?**
   - yes... 1
   - no... 2

2. **Where are you now staying?** *(If a student, just say where you stay during term)*
   - name of town or village: .................
   - name of Region or county: .................

3. **On the whole do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?**
   - yes... 1
   - no... 2

4. **How many secondary schools did you go to?**
   - one... 1
   - two... 2
   - three or more... 3

5. **Did you play truant in your fourth year at school?**
   - never... 1
   - a lesson here and there... 2
   - a day here and there... 3
   - several days at a time... 4
   - weeks at a time... 5

6. **Did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?**
   - never... 1
   - once or twice... 2
   - quite often... 3
   - often... 4

7. **How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?**
   - never... 1
   - once or twice... 2
   - quite often... 3
   - often... 4
1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons.

Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?

Now tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

In English...

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The next section is about the work you did at school and the exams you took. First some general questions about exams.

2. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as O grade.

Did you take a CSE course in any subject?

YES [ ]

NO [ ]

If YES:

If NO, please go to the next page

a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course

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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you......

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There are two parts to this page.  
Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

**PART 1  SUBJECTS**

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects

Now go to PART 2

**PART 2  FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. Ring your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Other subjects you took for exams

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year....
STAYING ON

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school...
   did your parents want you to stay on for another year?... 1 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to leave?... 1 2
   were you seriously looking for a job?... 1 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?... 1 2
   did your parents want you to leave?... 1 2

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?
   yes... 1
   no... 2

3. Did you start a fifth year at school?
   YES 1
   NO 2
   If YES:
   a. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?
      number of Highers intended... 
      number of O grades intended... 
      for other exams please specify...

4. When you started fifth year did you plan to sit (or re-sit) any subjects at O grade?
   YES 1
   NO 2
   If YES:
   a. Please complete one line for each O grade subject that you were studying at the start of fifth year.
      tick if you sat prelim sat O ring fifth year result
      A B C D E n
      A B C D E n
      A B C D E n
      A B C D E n
      A B C D E n

5. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:
   ............
   ............
   ............
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982). 

- Were you then...
  - in a full-time job
  - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)
  - unemployed and looking for work
  - in full-time education
  - doing none of these things

- Are you now...
  - in a full-time job
  - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)
  - unemployed and looking for work
  - in full-time education
  - doing none of these things

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?

   YES [ ] NO [ ]

   If YES: If NO, please go to the next page

   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school? tick any that apply

   work experience (with an employer) [ ]
   Short Training Course [ ]
   or Work Skills Course [ ]
   Community Project [ ]
   Training Workshop [ ]
   Community Industry [ ]
   any other scheme [ ]

   b. When did you first start on a scheme? month: ..............
   year: 19 ..............

3. Have you left your first scheme?

   YES [ ]
   NO [ ]

   If YES: If NO, please go to the next page

   a. When did you leave that scheme? month: ..............
   year: 19 ..............

   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme? Did you...

   go on another scheme [ ]
   get a job with the same employer [ ]
   get a job elsewhere [ ]
   become unemployed [ ]
   none of these things [ ]
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?  
   yes. .... [ ] 1  
   no. .... [ ] 2

2. Have you started any course at college, since leaving school?  
   (including special courses for people who were unemployed)  
   YES [ ] 1  
   NO [ ] 2  
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   If NO please go to the next page

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3. Please name the college  
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4. Is or (was the) course...  
   tick one box  
   full-time. .... [ ] 1  
   block release. .... [ ] 2  
   day release. .... [ ] 3  
   evening or other part-time. .... [ ] 4

   a. How long does (or did) the course last?  

   b. Are you still taking the course?  
      yes. .... [ ] 1  
      no. .... [ ] 2
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people (if none write '0')
   
   ............ jobs

   a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

   month: ............

   year: 19 ............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

   yes ... 1

   no ... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

   YES 1

   NO 2

   If YES:

   a. In what type of business do you work?

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks?

   eg 38 hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job, after deductions of tax, etc?

   £............. p

   write as weekly rate

6. Are you an apprentice?

   yes ... 1

   no ... 2

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

   If you are not in a job, go to the next page. If you are unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8.

   yes ... 1

   no ... 2

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   £............. p

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- [ ] Other

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- [ ] yes, full-time
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1. Have you left school?
   - Yes: [ ]
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      - Month: [ ]
      - Year: [19] [ ]
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The next section is about subjects studied and exams taken. At the end of fourth year most people sit for the O grade or for 'O' levels.

2. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? (Please don't list your SCE's or GCE's, we will ask about these later)

If YES: [1] NO [2] -> If NO please go to the next page

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

Did you study...

- in classes at your own school? [1] [2]
- in classes at another school? [1] [2]
- in classes at an FE college in school time? [1] [2]
- in evening classes at an FE college? [1] [2]
- in other classes? please specify [1] [2]
There are two parts to this page.
Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

**PART 1  SUBJECTS**

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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now go to PART 2

**PART 2  FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. Ring your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year...
The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

1. When you were in your fourth year at school...
   did your parents want you to stay on for another year?...[yes or no]
   did any of your teachers advise you to leave?...[yes or no]
   were you seriously looking for a job?...[yes or no]
   did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?...[yes or no]
   did your parents want you to leave?...[yes or no]

2. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?...[yes or no]

3. Did you start a fifth year at school?
   YES...[ ]
   NO...[ ]
   If YES:...
   a. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?
      number of Highers intended...
      number of O grades intended...
      for other exams please specify...

4. When you started fifth year did you plan to sit (or re-sit) any subjects at O grade?
   YES...[ ]
   NO...[ ]
   If YES:...
   a. Please complete one line for each O grade subject that you were studying at the start of fifth year.
      Subject...[ ]
      sat prelim...[ ]
      sat O...[ ]
      ring fifth year result A B C D E n

5. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:
   ................
   ................
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      - in a full-time job                      [ ] 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) [ ] 2
      - unemployed and looking for work           [ ] 3
      - in full-time education                    [ ] 4
      - doing none of these things                [ ] 5

   b. Are you now...
      - in a full-time job                      [ ] 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) [ ] 2
      - unemployed and looking for work           [ ] 3
      - in full-time education                    [ ] 4
      - doing none of these things                [ ] 5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES [ ] 1
   NO  [ ] 2 → If NO, please go to the next page

   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      - work experience (with an employer) [ ]
      - Short Training Course [ ]
      - Community Project [ ]
      - Training Workshop [ ]
      - Community Industry [ ]
      - any other scheme [ ]

   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      - month: .................
      - year: 19 .............

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   YES [ ] 1
   NO  [ ] 2

   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      - month: .................
      - year: 19 .............

   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      Did you...
      - go on another scheme [ ] 1
      - get a job with the same employer [ ] 2
      - get a job elsewhere [ ] 3
      - become unemployed [ ] 4
      - none of these things [ ] 5
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school? 

   yes. . . . . . 1 
   no . . . . 2 

2. Have you started any course at college, since leaving school? 
   (including special courses for people who were unemployed) 
   YES 1 
   NO 2  
   If NO please go to the next page

   If YES:

   a. Please give details of any course(s) you have started: 
      qualification aimed at (if any)  
      eg C and G, SNC  
      course (or subject(s)) studied  
      eg Electrical Engineering, Secretarial Studies  

      .................  .................  
      .................  .................  

   b. Please tell us more about your course. If you have started more than one course, tell us about the one which is most important to you. Underline it on the list above.

3. Please name the college 
   (eg Ayr Technical College, Aberdeen College of Commerce) 

4. Is or was the course... 
   tick one box 

   full-time . . . . . . 1 
   block release . . . . 2 
   day release . . . . 3 
   evening or other part-time . . . . . . 4 

   a. How long does (or did) the course last? 

   .................. .................. 

   b. Are you still taking the course? 

   yes . . . . . . 1 
   no . . . . 2
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people (if none write '0')

............ jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

month: ..............
year: 19 ..............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

yes. ...... [1]
no. ...... [2]

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

YES [1] NO [2] → If NO, please answer question 8 below

If YES:

a. In what type of business do you work?

....................

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

....................

c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

..........................

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks?

eg 38 hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job?

£.................. p
write as weekly rate

after deductions of tax, etc

6. Are you an apprentice?

yes. ...... [1]
no. ...... [2]

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

If you are not in a job, go to the next page. If you are unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8

yes. ...... [1]
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   brothers sisters

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   tick one box

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   eg disabled . . . .
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2. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as O grade. Did you take a CSE course in any subject? If YES: [ ] 1  If NO, please go to the next page [ ] 2

   a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course.

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   b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you?

- to find things out for yourself?... [ ] yes  [ ] no
- to complete a project of your own?... [ ] yes  [ ] no
- to work as a member of a group or team?... [ ] yes  [ ] no
There are two parts to this page.
Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

PART 1  SUBJECTS

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects

now go to PART 2

PART 2  FOURTH YEAR EXAMS

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. Tick if you sat prelim in it,
2. Tick if you sat O grade in it,
3. Ring your O grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Other subjects you took for exams

Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at O grade in fourth year....
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?  
- yes ... [1]  
- no ... [2]  

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

2. When you were in your fourth year at school... **tick yes or no for each one**  
- did your parents want you to stay on for another year? ... [1] [2]  
- did any of your teachers advise you to leave? ... [1] [2]  
- were you seriously looking for a job? ... [1] [2]  
- did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? ... [1] [2]  
- did your parents want you to leave? ... [1] [2]  

3. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?  
- yes ... [1]  
- no ... [2]  

The questions on the next few pages are about the subjects you studied and the exams you sat in fifth and sixth year. First, tell us about fifth year.

4. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?  
- number of subjects  
- number of Highers intended  
- number of O grades intended  
- for other exams please specify  

5. During your fifth year how seriously did you consider leaving before the summer SCE exams?  
- I left before the exams ... [1]  
- seriously ... [2]  
- fairly seriously ... [3]  
- not seriously ... [4]
FIFTH AND SIXTH YEAR COURSES

Please tell us about the subjects you started to study for Highers in fifth and/or sixth year at school.

If you did not start any Highers courses, please answer question 2.

1. Underline or write in each subject you studied for Highers.

**FIFTH YEAR:**
- tick if you studied the subject in fifth year,
- tick if you sat it for Higher in fifth year,
- and ring your fifth year grade if any (O=compensatory 0 grade,n=no award).

**SIXTH YEAR:**
- now repeat for the subjects you studied/sat in sixth year (including re-sits).

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Please check that you have included all the subjects you started for Highers, even those you dropped before the exam.

2. Did you sit any subjects at O grade (including re-sits) in fifth or sixth year?

YES [ ]

NO [ ]

If YES:

Write in the subject(s) and complete the record for fifth and sixth year as appropriate (including resits).

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If NO, please answer question 3 below.

3. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:

[ ]
1. Did you start a Sixth Year Studies (SYS) course in any subject?

**YES** [ ]

a. If YES: please tick the box against each subject you studied or in which you sat the exam, and please ring the result you obtained: A, B, C, E, or n for 'no award'.

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2. Underline in the list above the name of any SYS course you started that you feel was worthwhile.

3. Please now summarise the number and type of exams you sat in fifth and sixth years: (including resits)

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1. We list below different types of courses (including part-time courses). Please tick any that you...

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<th>Were accepted for, before last November entered, before last November</th>
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2. Did you apply for ANY FULL OR PART-TIME COURSE before last November (1982)?

   YES [ ]

   NO [ ] If NO, please go to the next page

   If YES:

3. Please name the course and institution you most wanted to enter:

   a. Course: please give the qualifications to which the course leads and the subject(s) .................................................................

   b. Institution: (eg Glasgow University, Napier College) .................................................................
1. Have you started any course at a college or university, since you left school? (including any special courses for people who were unemployed)

YES [ ] 1  NO [ ] 2  \(\text{If NO please go to the next page}\)

Please give details of any course(s) you have started:

qualification aimed at (if any) course (or subject(s)) studied

................................. .................................

................................. .................................

2. Please name the institution.
   (eg Dundee University, Ayr Technical College)

.................................

3. Is (or was) the course ...
   full-time.
   sandwich
   block release
   day release
   evening, or other part-time
   correspondence course

   \(\text{tick one number}\)

1  2  3  4  5  6

4. How long does (or did) the course last?

.................................

5. Are you still taking the course?

yes.
no.

\(\text{yes.} [ ] 1\) \(\text{no.} [ ] 2\)

6. Did you start a degree course?

YES [ ] 1  NO [ ] 2  \(\text{If NO, please go to the next page}\)

\(\text{If YES:}\)

a. Name the three most important subjects you are taking this year.

.................................

b. On which subject or subject area do you eventually expect to concentrate?

.................................

AFTER SCHOOL

1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then... tick one box
      in a full-time job ........................................ 1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) 2
      unemployed and looking for work .......................... 3
      in full-time education ..................................... 4
      doing none of these things ................................ 5
   b. Are you now... tick one box
      in a full-time job ........................................ 1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) 2
      unemployed and looking for work .......................... 3
      in full-time education ..................................... 4
      doing none of these things ................................ 5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES 1 NO 2
   If YES:
      a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school? tick any that apply
         work experience (with an employer) ................... 1
         Short Training Course or Work Skills Course ...... 2
         Community Project .................................... 3
         Training Workshop .................................... 4
         Community Industry .................................. 5
         any other scheme ...................................... 6
      b. When did you first start on a scheme? month:...... year: 19......

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   YES 1
   NO 2
   If YES:
      a. When did you leave that scheme? month:...... year: 19......
      b. What happened straight after you left that scheme? Did you...
         go on another scheme ................................ 1
         get a job with the same employer .................... 2
         get a job elsewhere ................................... 3
         become unemployed .................................... 4
         none of these things ................................ 5
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don’t count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

......jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don’t count schemes.

......

month:.............

year: 19...........

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

yes. ........ 1

no. ........ 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

YES □ 1

NO □ 2

If YES:

a. In what type of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)

........................

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

........................

c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

........................

d. Is this a part-time or a full-time job?

a part-time job .... 1

a full-time job .... 2

4. Are you an apprentice?

yes. ........ 1

no. ........ 2

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

yes. ........ 1

no. ........ 2

6. How did you get your present job? Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job.

Through...

teacher at school .... 

Careers Officer ....

your parents. ....

brother, sister or friend.

another relative. ....

someone on your YOP scheme ....

Job Centre. ....

private job agency. ....

newspaper or TV advert. ....

your YOP employer keeping you on ....

your own efforts. ....
1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? 
   (if none write '0')
   ...brothers ...sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week? 
   tick one box
   Mother and father ... 1
   Father only ...... 5
   Mother and step-father... 2
   Boarding school ...... 6
   Father and step-mother... 3
   School hostel ...... 7
   Mother only ...... 4
   Other ...... 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   tick one box
   in a job ... 1
   unable to work eg disabled ... 4
   unemployed ... 2
   dead ... 5
   retired ... 3
   don't know ... 6

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   a. In what type of business does he work? (eg shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   b. What is the name of his job?
      (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   c. Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.
   d. Is he self-employed?
      tick one box
      yes ... 1
      no ... 2
      don't know ... 3

6. Does your mother have a paid job?
   tick one box
   yes, full-time ... 1
   yes, part-time ... 2
   no ... 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box
   mother  father
   15 years old or less ... 1 ... 1
   16 years old ... 2 ... 2
   17 years old or more ... 3 ... 3
   don't know ... 4 ... 4
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope

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after school .. ?

a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential
national school leavers survey '83
How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions (such as question 1) there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

yes . . . . . . [1]
no . . . . . . [2]

If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 2
1. Have you left school?

   If YES:
   a. When was this?
      month:............... 
      year:19............. 
   b. Have you left home since you left school?
      yes. ........ 1 
      no. .......... 2 

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)
   name of town or village:......................... 
   name of Region or county:....................... 

3. On the whole, do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?
   tick one box
   yes. ........ 1 
   no. .......... 2 

4. How many secondary schools did you go to? tick one box
   one ............ 1 
   two ............ 2 
   three or more .. 3 

5. How often did you play truant in your fourth year at school? tick one box
   never ............ 1 
   a lesson here and there .. 2 
   a day here and there .. 3 
   several days at a time .. 4 
   weeks at a time .. 5 

6. How often did you get the belt or strap at secondary school? tick one box
   never ............ 1 
   once or twice .. 2 
   quite often .. 3 
   often ............ 4 

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.? tick one box
   never ............ 1 
   once or twice .. 2 
   quite often .. 3 
   often ............ 4
1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons.

Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?
Now tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

In English...

- the teacher started the lessons on time... [ ]
- we nearly always had the proper teacher... [ ]
- the teacher knew our names... [ ]
- there were enough books or materials to go round... [ ]
- the teacher marked our work regularly... [ ]
- the teacher could keep order in class... [ ]
- we were regularly given homework... [ ]
- the teacher made sure we did any homework that was set... [ ]

2. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? Please don't list your SCE's or GCE's, we will ask about these later.

If YES: [ ]

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

Did you study...

- in classes at your own school?... [ ]
- in classes at another school?... [ ]
- in classes at an FE college in school time?... [ ]
- in evening classes at an FE college?... [ ]
- in other classes? please specify... [ ]
### SCHOOL SUBJECTS AND EXAMS

There are two parts to this page. Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

#### PART 1: SUBJECTS

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects:

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Now go to **PART 2**

#### PART 2: FOURTH YEAR EXAMS

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. **Tick** if you sat prelim in it,
2. **Tick** if you sat 0 grade in it,
3. **Ring** your 0 grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at 0 grade in fourth year...

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Card 64: 01-11
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?  
   - yes ... 1  
   - no ... 2

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

2. When you were in your fourth year at school...  
   - did your parents want you to stay on for another year?  
     - yes ... 1  
     - no ... 2
   - did any of your teachers advise you to leave?  
     - yes ... 1  
     - no ... 2
   - were you seriously looking for a job?  
     - yes ... 1  
     - no ... 2
   - did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?  
     - yes ... 1  
     - no ... 2
   - did your parents want you to leave?  
     - yes ... 1  
     - no ... 2

3. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?  
   - yes ... 1  
   - no ... 2

The questions on the next few pages are about the subjects you studied and the exams you sat in fifth and sixth year. First, tell us about fifth year.

4. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?  
   - number of subjects
     - number of Highers intended ...............  
     - number of O grades intended ...............  
     - for other exams please specify ...............  

5. During your fifth year how seriously did you consider leaving before the summer SCE exams?  
   - I left before the exams ... 1  
   - seriously ... 2  
   - fairly seriously ... 3  
   - not seriously ... 4
Please tell us about the subjects you started to study for Highers in fifth and/or sixth year at school.

If you did not start any Highers courses, please answer question 2.

1. Underline or write in each subject you studied for Highers.
   **FIFTH YEAR:**
   - Tick if you studied the subject in fifth year,
   - Tick if you sat it for Higher in fifth year,
   - Ring your fifth year grade if any (O=compensatory O grade, n=no award).

   **SIXTH YEAR:**
   - Now repeat for the subjects you studied/sat in sixth year (including re-sits).

   **Tick if Tick Grades**
   **studied if sat obtained**

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Please specify

**Card 65 (Card 72)**

2. Did you sit any subjects at 0 grade (including re-sits) in fifth or sixth year?

   **YES** 1  
   **NO** 2

If YES:

Write in the subject(s) and complete the record for fifth and sixth year as appropriate (including resits).

**FIFTH YEAR**

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

**SIXTH YEAR**

- A
- B
- C
- D
- E

3. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned:

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1. Did you start a Sixth Year Studies (SYS) course in any subject?  

   YES [ ]  
   NO [ ]  

   a. If YES: please tick the box against each subject you studied or in which you sat the exam, and please ring the result you obtained: A, B, C, E, or n for "no award". 

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2. Underline in the list above the name of any SYS course you started that you feel was worthwhile. 

3. Please now summarise the number and type of exams you sat in fifth and sixth years: (including resits) 

   number of subjects sat in fifth year (number of subjects) | number of subjects sat in sixth year (number of subjects)  
   if none write 'NONE' 

   at O grade      | ........................ | ........................ 
   at Higher       | ........................ | ........................ 
   at CSYS         | ........................ | ........................ 
   at GCE A level  | ........................ | ........................ 
   other exams (please specify) | ........................ | ........................ 

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**Applying for College**

1. We list below different types of courses (including part-time courses). Please tick any that you...

   considered applying for, before last November (1982)
   applied for, before last November (including applications later withdrawn)
   were accepted for, before last November

   entered, before last November.

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2. Did you apply for ANY FULL OR PART-TIME COURSE before last November (1982)?

   YES [1] NO [2] → If NO, please go to the next page

   If YES:

3. Please name the course and institution you most wanted to enter:

   a. Course: please give the qualifications to which the course leads and the subject(s)

   b. Institution: (e.g. Glasgow University, Napier College)
1. Have you started any course at a college or university, since you left school? (including any special courses for people who were unemployed)

YES [1] NO [2] → If NO please go the next page

If YES:

Please give details of any course(s) you have started:

qualification aimed at
(if any)

[...]

[...]

course (or subject(s)) studied

[...]

2. Please name the institution.

(eg Dundee University,
Ayr Technical College)

[...]

3. Is (or was) the course... tick one number

full-time... [1]
sandwich... [2]
block release... [3]
day release... [4]
evening, or other part-time... [5]
correspondence course... [6]

4. How long does (or did) the course last?

[...]

5. Are you still taking the course?

yes... [1]
no... [2]

6. Did you start a degree course?

YES [1] NO [2] → If NO, please go to the next page

If YES:

a. Name the three most important subjects you are taking this year.

[...]

[...]

b. On which subject or subject area do you eventually expect to concentrate?

[...]

[...]

[...]

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AFTER SCHOOL

1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      tick one box
      in a full-time job ............................................... 1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) .......... 2
      unemployed and looking for work ................................ 3
      in full-time education ........................................... 4
      doing none of these things .................................... 5
   b. Are you now...
      tick one box
      in a full-time job ............................................... 1
      on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) .......... 2
      unemployed and looking for work ................................ 3
      in full-time education ........................................... 4
      doing none of these things .................................... 5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES [ ] 1   NO [ ] 2
   If YES:
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      tick any that apply
      work experience (with an employer) .................. 13
      Short Training Course or Work Skills Course .................. 15
      Community Project ........................................... 17
      Training Workshop ........................................... 14
      Community Industry ........................................... 16
      any other scheme ........................................... 18
   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      month: ................. year: 19 .........................

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   yes. .... [ ] 1
   no .... [ ] 2
   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      month: ................. year: 19 .........................
   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      Did you...
      tick one box
      go on another scheme ........................................ 1
      get a job with the same employer ................................ 2
      get a job elsewhere ........................................... 3
      become unemployed ........................................... 4
      none of these things ........................................ 5
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don’t count special ’YOP’ schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write ‘0’)

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

4. Are you an apprentice?

5. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

6. How did you get your present job?

   Please put a tick by the way or ways you got your job through...

   teacher at school               Job Centre                private job agency
   Careers Officer                newspaper or TV advert    your YOP employer
   your parents                    keeping you on           your own efforts
   brother, sister or friend      someone on               your YOP scheme
Your Family

1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (If none write '0')
   - brothers
   - sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?
   - Mother and father
   - Mother and step-father
   - Father and step-mother
   - Mother only
   - Father only
   - Boarding school
   - School hostel
   - Other

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   - in a job
   - unemployed
   - retired
   - unable to work (e.g., disabled)
   - dead
   - don't know

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   - In what type of business does he work? (e.g., shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   - What is the name of his job? (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   - Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.
   - Is he self-employed?

6. Does your mother have a paid job?
   - yes, full-time
   - yes, part-time
   - no

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   - 15 years old or less
   - 16 years old
   - 17 years old or more
   - don't know
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope

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after school ..?

a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential
national school leavers survey '83
How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions (such as question 1) there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

yes . . . . . . [ ]
no . . . . . . [ ]

If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 2
1. Have you left school?
   yes. . . . . . . . 1
   no. . . . . . . . . 2

   If YES:
   a. When was this?
      month: ..................
      year: 19..................
   b. Have you left home since you left school?
      yes. . . . . . . 1
      no . . . . . . . . 2

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)
   name of town or village: ..................
   name of Region or county: ..................

3. On the whole, do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?
   yes. . . . . . . . 1
   no . . . . . . . . . . 2

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?
   tick one box
   one . . . . . . . . 1
   two . . . . . . . . 2
   three or more . . . . 3

5. Did you play truant in your fourth year at school?
   tick one box
   never . . . . . . . . 1
   a lesson here and there . . . 2
   a day here and there. . . . . 3
   several days at a time. . . . 4
   weeks at a time . . . . . . . 5

6. Did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?
   tick one box
   never . . . . . . . . 1
   once or twice . . . . 2
   quite often . . . . . . . 3
   often . . . . . . . . . . 4

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?
   tick one box
   never . . . . . . . . 1
   once or twice . . . . 2
   quite often . . . . . . . 3
   often . . . . . . . . . . 4
FOURTH YEAR AND EXAMS

1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons.

Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?
Now tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

In English...

- the teacher started the lessons on time ...  
- we nearly always had the proper teacher ...  
- the teacher knew our names ...  
- there were enough books or materials to go round ...  
- the teacher marked our work regularly ...  
- the teacher could keep order in class ...  
- we were regularly given homework ...  
- the teacher made sure we did any homework that was set ...

yes no

The next section is about the work you did at school and the exams you took. First some questions about exams.

2. Some schools do CSE (Certificate of Secondary Education) as well as O grade.
Did you take a CSE course in any subject?

YES [ ] 1 NO [ ] 2

If YES:
a. Please write the subject(s) you took for CSE, one on each line. Then ring one number to show your result in each one or tick the box to show that you did not complete the course.

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b. Here are some aims that teachers have for CSE. Did your CSE courses help you...

to find things out for yourself? ...  
to complete a project of your own? ...  
to work as a member of a group or team? ...

Yes [ ] 1 No [ ] 2
PART 1  SUBJECTS

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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PART 2  FOURTH YEAR EXAMS

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
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2. Tick if you sat O grade in it,
3. Ring your O grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at O grade in fourth year....
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school? yes... 1  no... 2

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

2. When you were in your fourth year at school, did your parents want you to stay on for another year? yes... 1  no... 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to leave? yes... 1  no... 2
   were you seriously looking for a job? yes... 1  no... 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to stay on? yes... 1  no... 2
   did your parents want you to leave? yes... 1  no... 2

3. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school? yes... 1  no... 2

The questions on the next few pages are about the subjects you studied and the exams you sat in fifth and sixth year. First, tell us about fifth year.

4. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year? number of subjects
   number of Highers intended
   number of O grades intended
   for other exams please specify

5. During your fifth year how seriously did you consider leaving before the summer SCE exams? I left before the exams... 1
   seriously... 2
   fairly seriously... 3
   not seriously... 4
**FIFTH AND SIXTH YEAR COURSES**

Please tell us about the subjects you started to study for Highers in fifth and/or sixth year at school. If you did not start any Highers courses, please answer question 2.

1. Underline or write in each subject you studied for Highers. **FIFTH YEAR:**
- **tick** if you studied the subject in fifth year,
- **tick** if you sat it for Higher in fifth year, and
- **ring** your fifth year grade if any (O = compensatory O grade, n = no award).

**SIXTH YEAR:**
- Now repeat for the subjects you studied/sat in sixth year (including re-sits).

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**Others:**
- Please specify
  - A B C O n
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Please check that you have included all the subjects you started for Highers, even those you dropped before the exam.

2. Did you sit any subjects at **O grade** (including re-sits) in fifth or sixth year?
- **YES**
- **NO**

If **YES**:

Write in the subject(s) and complete the record for fifth and sixth year as appropriate (including resits). **FIFTH YEAR**

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2. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year **not already mentioned**:
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3. If **NO**, please answer question 3 below.
1. Did you start a Sixth Year Studies (SYS) course in any subject?

- YES [ ]
- NO [ ]

If YES, please tick the box against each subject you studied or in which you sat the exam, and please ring the result you obtained: A, B, C, D, or E for 'no award'.

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2. Underline in the list above the name of any SYS course you started that you feel was worthwhile.

3. Please now summarise the number and type of exams you sat in fifth and sixth years: (including resits)

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1. We list below different types of courses (including part-time courses). Please tick any that you...

considered applying for, before last November (1982)

applied for, before last November (including applications later withdrawn)

were accepted for, before last November

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2. Did you apply for ANY FULL OR PART-TIME COURSE before last November (1982)?

YES 1

NO 2

If NO, please go to the next page.

3. Please name the course and institution you most wanted to enter:

a. Course: please give the qualifications to which the course leads and the subject(s)

b. Institution: (e.g. Glasgow University, Napier College)
1. Have you started any course at a college or university, since you left school? (including any special courses for people who were unemployed)

   YES □ 1          NO □ 2 → If NO please go to the next page

   If YES:

   Please give details of any course(s) you have started:

   qualification aimed at (if any)

   course (or subject(s)) studied

   ........................ ........................

   ........................ ........................

2. Please name the institution.

   (eg Dundee University, Ayr Technical College)

   ........................

3. Is (or was) the course...

   full-time. ....... ............................. □ 1

   sandwich ......... ............................. □ 2

   block release. .... ............................. □ 3

   day release. ....... ............................. □ 4

   evening, or other part-time. .... ........................ □ 5

   correspondence course. .... ........................ □ 6

4. How long does (or did) the course last?

   ........................

5. Are you still taking the course?

   yes. .... □ 1

   no .... □ 2

6. Did you start a degree course?

   YES □ 1

   NO □ 2 → If NO, please go to the next page

   If YES:

   a. Name the three most important subjects you are taking this year.

   ........................

   ........................

   ........................

   b. On which subject or subject area do you eventually expect to concentrate?

   ........................
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).
   a. Were you then...
      
      - in a full-time job ......................................... 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) .......... 2
      - unemployed and looking for work ................................ 3
      - in full-time education ............................................ 4
      - doing none of these things ..................................... 5

   b. Are you now...
      
      - in a full-time job ............................................... 1
      - on a scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP) .......... 2
      - unemployed and looking for work ................................ 3
      - in full-time education ............................................ 4
      - doing none of these things ..................................... 5

2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (eg YOP)?
   YES 1 NO 2
   If YES: If NO, please go to the next page
   a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?
      tick any that apply
      
      - work experience (with an employer) .....................................
      - Short Training Course or Work Skills Course .........................
      - Community Project ..................................................
      - any other scheme ..................................................

   b. When did you first start on a scheme?
      
      month: ................. year: 19 . . . .

3. Have you left your first scheme?
   YES 1 NO 2
   If YES:
   a. When did you leave that scheme?
      
      month: ................. year: 19 .................

   b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?
      Did you...
      
      - go on another scheme .............................................. 1
      - get a job with the same employer .................................. 2
      - get a job elsewhere ............................................... 3
      - become unemployed ............................................... 4
      - none of these things .............................................. 5
1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

           jobs

          a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

                      month:
                      year:

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

           yes  
           no

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

          YES  
          NO

If YES:

   a. In what type of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)  

   b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

   c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks?
   eg 38 hours

           hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job? 
   after deductions of tax, etc

           £..............p

   write as weekly rate

6. Are you an apprentice?

           yes  
           no

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

   If you are now in a job, go to the next page. If you are a student, unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8.

           yes  
           no

8. When you get a job what do you expect your take-home pay to be (each week)?

           £..............p

   write as weekly rate

1. How many brothers and sisters do you have?
   (if none write '0')
   ....brothers ....sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?
   tick one box
   Mother and father ....... 1
   Father only ............... 5
   Mother and step-father .... 2
   Boarding school .......... 6
   Father and step-mother .... 3
   School hostel ............ 7
   Mother only ............. 4
   Other .................... 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now....
   tick one box
   in a job ............... 1
   unemployed ............ 2
   retired ................. 3
   unable to work ......... 4
   eg disabled ............. 4
   dead .................... 5
   don't know ............ 6

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   a. In what type of business does he work? (eg shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   b. What is the name of his job?
      (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   c. Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.
   d. Is he self-employed?
      tick one box
      yes ............... 1
      no ............... 2
      don't know ....... 3

6. Does your mother have a paid job?
   tick one box
   yes, full-time ........... 1
   yes, part-time .......... 2
   no ..................... 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box
   15 years old or less .... 1
   16 years old .......... 2
   17 years old or more .... 3
   don't know ............ 4
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope

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after school ..?

a questionnaire for people who have recently left school in Scotland

personal and confidential

national school leavers survey '83
How To Answer

This questionnaire is about leaving school. We would like to learn about what happens at school and about what you have done since leaving school. Because we are asking a large number of people, it is not possible to interview everyone personally. In this postal questionnaire we have tried to make the questions easy and quick for you to answer.

For a few questions (such as question 2) we ask you to write your answer in.

For most of the questions (such as question 1) there is a list of possible answers, with a box printed beside each one. Please choose your answer and put a tick in the box beside it.

For example, if the possible answers to a question are 'yes' or 'no', and your answer is 'no', answer like this:

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yes ......... 1
no ......... 2
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If none of the answers exactly fits the answer you want to give, choose the one that comes nearest. If you want, you may write comments beside the question, but please always tick an answer as well.

Ignore the numbers in the boxes, and in the right hand margin. They are just there to help us.

Thank you for your help in answering this questionnaire. We hope it lets you express your own views on school and leaving school. If you would like to tell us more in your own words, please write on the inside of the back cover.

Now please turn to page 2
### You and Your School

1. Have you left school?
   - Yes... 1
   - No... 2

   **If YES:**
   a. When was this?
      - Month: ............
      - Year: 19............
   b. Have you left home since you left school?
      - Yes... 1
      - No... 2

2. Where are you now staying? (If a student, just say where you stay during term)
   - Name of town or village: ...........
   - Name of Region or county: ...........

3. On the whole, do you feel your last year at school was worthwhile?
   - Yes... 1
   - No... 2

4. How many secondary schools did you go to?
   - One... 1
   - Two... 2
   - Three or more... 3

5. Did you play truant in your fourth year at school?
   - Never... 1
   - A lesson here and there... 2
   - A day here and there... 3
   - Several days at a time... 4
   - Weeks at a time... 5

6. Did you get the belt or strap at secondary school?
   - Never... 1
   - Once or twice... 2
   - Quite often... 3
   - Often... 4

7. How often did you get other punishments such as lines, being kept in, etc.?
   - Never... 1
   - Once or twice... 2
   - Quite often... 3
   - Often... 4
1. Here are some things people have said about school lessons.

Think about your English lessons in fourth year. Were these true for you?
How tick the 'yes' or 'no' box for each line.

In English...

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The next section is about subjects studied and exams taken. At the end of fourth year most people sit for the O grade or for 'O' levels.

2. While you were still at school did you study for other kinds of exams such as RSA's, City & Guilds, SCOTBECs and SCOTECs? (Please don't list your SCE's or GCE's, we will ask about these later)

   YES 1  NO 2  

If YES:

a. Please write down the name of each subject, the qualification you studied for and the result of any exam you took.

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b. How did you study for these qualifications while you were at school?

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There are two parts to this page. Part 1 is about your subjects in third and fourth year. Part 2 is about the exams you took.

**PART 1: SUBJECTS**

Go through the list of subjects below. Tick each subject that you had lessons in during third year and during fourth year:

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Write here all your other third/fourth year subjects.

Now go to **PART 2**

**PART 2: FOURTH YEAR EXAMS**

For each subject you took for exams in fourth year:
1. **Tick** if you sat prelim in it,
2. **Tick** if you sat O grade in it,
3. **Ring** your O grade result.

(Then fill in the box at the bottom of the page)

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Please write here the total number of subjects you sat at O grade in fourth year...
1. Did you have a paid part-time job in term time, during your last year at school?
   
   yes... 1
   no...  2

The next few questions are about decisions you made and the advice you received while you were in the fourth year.

2. When you were in your fourth year at school... tick yes or no for each one
   
   did your parents want you to stay on for another year?... 1 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to leave?... 1 2
   were you seriously looking for a job?... 1 2
   did any of your teachers advise you to stay on?... 1 2
   did your parents want you to leave?... 1 2

3. In your fourth year did most of your friends decide to stay on for a fifth year at school?
   
   yes... 1
   no...  2

The questions on the next few pages are about the subjects you studied and the exams you sat in fifth and sixth year. First, tell us about fifth year.

4. When you started the year, how many exams did you intend to sit at the end of fifth year?
   
   number of subjects
   number of Highers intended
   number of O grades intended
   for other exams please specify

5. During your fifth year how seriously did you consider leaving before the summer SCE exams?
   
   I left before the exams... 1
   seriously... 2
   fairly seriously... 3
   not seriously... 4
**FIFTH AND SIXTH YEAR COURSES**

Please tell us about the subjects you started to study for Highers in fifth and/or sixth year at school.

If you did not start any Highers courses, please answer question 2.

1. Underline or write in each subject you studied for Highers.

**FIFTH YEAR:**
- **Tick** if you studied the subject in fifth year,
- **tick** if you sat it for Higher in fifth year, and **underline** your fifth year grade if any

(0=compensatory O grade, n=no award).

**SIXTH YEAR:**
- Now repeat for the subjects you studied/sat in sixth year (including re-sits).

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2. Did you sit any subjects at O grade (including re-sits) in fifth or sixth year?

YES [ ]

NO [ ]

If YES: Write in the subject(s) and complete the record for fifth and sixth year as appropriate (including resits).

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3. Please write here all the other subjects or activities which you did in fifth year not already mentioned.
1. Did you start a Sixth Year Studies (SYS) course in any subject?

**YES [ ]**

**NO [ ]**

If **YES:** please tick the box against each subject you studied or in which you sat the exam, and please ring the result you obtained: A, B, C, E, or n for 'no award'.

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2. Underline in the list above the name of any SYS course you started that you feel was worthwhile.

3. Please now summarise the number and type of exams you sat in fifth and sixth years: (including resits)

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Applying for College

1. We list below different types of courses (including part-time courses). Please tick any that you...

- considered applying for, before last November (1982)
- applied for, before last November (including applications later withdrawn)
- were accepted for, before last November
- entered, before last November.

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| Nursing or Physiotherapy training            |           |         |          |         |
| Other education or training                  |           |         |          |         |

2. Did you apply for ANY FULL OR PART-TIME COURSE before last November (1982)?

- YES 1
- NO 2

If YES:

3. Please name the course and institution you most wanted to enter:

a. Course: please give the qualifications to which the course leads and the subject(s)

b. Institution: (eg Glasgow University, Napier College)
1. Have you started any course at a college or university, since you left school? (Including any special courses for people who were unemployed)

   YES [ ]

   NO [ ]

   If YES: 

   Please give details of any course(s) you have started:

   qualification aimed at
   (if any)

   course (or subject(s))
   studied

   ........................

   ........................

   2. Please name the institution.

      (e.g. Dundee University,
       Ayr Technical College)

   ........................

   3. Is (or was) the course ...

      full-time. [ ]

      sandwich [ ]

      block release. [ ]

      day release. [ ]

      evening, or other part-time. [ ]

      correspondence course. [ ]

   4. How long does (or did) the course last?

   ........................

   5. Are you still taking the course?

      yes. [ ]

      no. [ ]

   6. Did you start a degree course?

      YES [ ]

      NO [ ]

      If YES:

      a. Name the three most important subjects you are taking this year.

      b. On which subject or subject area do you eventually expect to concentrate?
1. We would like to know what you were doing at the beginning of last October (1982).

a. Were you then...

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b. Are you now...

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2. Since you left school have you ever been on a special scheme for unemployed young people (e.g. YOP)?

- YES [ ]
- NO [ ]

If YES:

a. Which scheme(s) have you been on since you left school?  

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b. When did you first start on a scheme?  

- month: 
- year: 19

3. Have you left your first scheme?  

- yes [ ]
- no [ ]

If YES:

a. When did you leave that scheme?  

- month:
- year: 19

b. What happened straight after you left that scheme?  

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1. How many full-time jobs (if any) have you had, since leaving school? Don't count special 'YOP' schemes for unemployed young people. (if none write '0')

...........jobs

a. When did you start your first job (if any) after you left school? Don't count schemes.

month:..............

year: 19..............

2. Did you have a job fixed up before you left school?

yes, .......... 1

no, ........... 2

3. Are you now in a job (part-time or full-time), or on a scheme?

YES 1 NO 2

If YES:

a. In what type of business do you work? (eg department store, electrical engineering firm)

................................................

b. What is the name of your job (or scheme)?

................................................

c. Please describe the actual work you do in your job (or scheme).

................................................

4. How many hours did you work last week in your job (or scheme), not counting lunch breaks?

.............hours

eg 38 hours

5. Last week, what was your take-home pay from this job?

£.............p

write as weekly rate

6. Are you an apprentice?

yes, .......... 1

no, ........... 2

7. Are you doing (or have you done) any training in this job?

yes, .......... 1

no, ........... 2

If you are now in a job, go to the next page. If you are a student, unemployed or on a special scheme, please answer question 8.

8. When you get a job what do you expect your take-home pay to be (each week)?

£.............p

write as weekly rate
1. How many brothers and sisters do you have? (if none write '0')
   .......brothers .......sisters

2. In your fourth year at secondary school who did you usually stay with during the school week?
   tick one box
   Mother and father ... 1
   Mother and step-father ... 2
   Father and step-mother ... 3
   Mother only ... 4
   Father only ... 5
   Boarding school ... 6
   School hostel ... 7
   Other ... 8

3. Now underline who you usually stayed with during school holidays.

4. Is your father now...
   in a job ... 1
   unemployed ... 2
   retired ... 3
   unable to work ... 4
   eg disabled. ... 5
   dead ... 6
   don't know ... 7

5. Please tell us about your father's job.
   If he is not working just now, please describe his last job.
   a. In what type of business does he work? (eg shipyard, electrical engineering firm)
   b. What is the name of his job?
      (Please also mention any qualifications or rank that he holds)
   c. Please describe briefly the work he does in his job.

6. Does your mother have a paid job?
   tick one box
   yes, full-time ... 1
   yes, part-time ... 2
   no ... 3

7. How old were your mother and father when they left school?
   tick one box
   15 years old or less ... 1
   16 years old ... 2
   17 years old or more ... 3
   don't know ... 4
   mother ... 1
   father ... 2
   15 years old or less ... 3
   16 years old ... 4
   17 years old or more ... 5
   don't know ... 6
Would you like to tell us more about yourself? What was good about your school? What could be made better? Has your school education helped you since you left school? What things have you found difficult when looking for a job? What do you think should be done to help young people who are looking for jobs? What do you think of the government's special schemes for unemployed young people? Do they help young people to find jobs? Do they help them in other ways?

We will read very carefully what you write here.
Please return the questionnaire using the enclosed stamped reply envelope.

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