

American Camping Association® National Research Project

Parent Pre-Camp Survey

The American Camping Association is undertaking the first national study of the effects of camping programs on children and youth. Please read each of the following statements carefully. (You will notice that we have used "s/he" for "she" or "he.") Please circle "1" if you "Disagree a Lot." Circle "2" if you "Disagree a Little," "3" if you "Agree a Little," and "4" if you "Agree a Lot." Please try to answer every question. If any question makes you feel uncomfortable, you can skip it. Thank you for your participation in this important project!

→→→ Today's Date: Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____

	Disagree a Lot	Disagree a Little	Agree a Little	Agree a Lot
1. My child believes that other kids think s/he is a lot of fun to be with.	1	2	3	4
2. My child introduces him/herself to new kids.	1	2	3	4
3. My child believes s/he is a good person.	1	2	3	4
4. My child believes s/he does just fine without parents around.	1	2	3	4
5. My child believes s/he is an important person.	1	2	3	4
6. My child gets along with others.	1	2	3	4
7. My child feels s/he needs help with most things s/he does.	1	2	3	4
8. My child worries about making friends.	1	2	3	4
9. My child is a good leader.	1	2	3	4
10. Before my child makes a decision, s/he talks with other people.	1	2	3	4
11. My child feels that recycling is important.	1	2	3	4
12. My child likes to try new activities.	1	2	3	4
13. My child feels that s/he is pretty bad at leading activities.	1	2	3	4
14. My child likes to talk to kids s/he doesn't know yet.	1	2	3	4
15. My child believes s/he needs his/her parents to help him/her do things.	1	2	3	4

	Disagree a Lot	Disagree a Little	Agree a Little	Agree a Lot
16. My child thinks about how s/he can help other kids.	1	2	3	4
17. My child knows how to make good decisions.	1	2	3	4
18. My child gets along with his/her friends.	1	2	3	4
19. My child helps other people.	1	2	3	4
20. My child feels that other people like it when s/he is around.	1	2	3	4
21. When my child has to make a decision, s/he thinks about what might happen.	1	2	3	4
22. My child worries his/her feelings will be hurt if s/he likes other people too much.	1	2	3	4
23. My child feels that s/he can work out problems with other kids.	1	2	3	4
24. If kids were choosing a leader, they might vote for my child.	1	2	3	4
25. My child feels secure.	1	2	3	4
26. My child follows the rules.	1	2	3	4
27. In the last week, my child tried doing something new.	1	2	3	4
28. My child feels confident in himself/herself.	1	2	3	4
29. My child finds it hard to make new friends.	1	2	3	4
30. My child believes we should take care of our planet.	1	2	3	4
31. Other kids look up to my child.	1	2	3	4
32. My child respects other people.	1	2	3	4
33. My child believes that s/he is not worth much.	1	2	3	4
34. My child talks to other kids who are different from him/her.	1	2	3	4
35. My child likes to go on new adventures.	1	2	3	4

	Disagree a Lot	Disagree a Little	Agree a Little	Agree a Lot
36. My child believes that s/he is a special person.	1	2	3	4
37. My child helps lead a club or team.	1	2	3	4
38. My child believes it is more important to play fair than to win.	1	2	3	4
39. In the past week, my child did a new activity.	1	2	3	4
40. My child feels that s/he is good at doing things on his/her own.	1	2	3	4
41. My child feels that s/he has a good life ahead of him/her.	1	2	3	4
42. My child likes to play with new kids.	1	2	3	4
43. My child gets into fights with others	1	2	3	4
44. My child cares about nature.	1	2	3	4
45. My child thinks it's hard to keep new friends.	1	2	3	4
46. My child believes that good things will happen to him/her.	1	2	3	4
47. My child gets other kids together for games.	1	2	3	4
48. My child believes wild animals should be protected.	1	2	3	4

These next questions (#49-52) are about faith or spirituality. If you don't feel comfortable answering these questions, please skip them....but please be sure to answer questions #53-56.

	Disagree a Lot	Disagree a Little	Agree a Little	Agree a Lot
49. Other people help my child feel closer to God.	1	2	3	4
50. My child has a close relationship with God.	1	2	3	4
51. Nature helps my child feel closer to God.	1	2	3	4
52. My child likes going to church or synagogue or temple or mosque.	1	2	3	4

53. How old is your child?

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|--------------|--------------|
| 6 years old | 12 years old |
| 7 years old | 13 years old |
| 8 years old | 14 years old |
| 9 years old | 15 years old |
| 10 years old | 16 years old |
| 11 years old | |

54. Is your child a boy or girl?

- 1 Boy
- 2 Girl

55. Which of the following best describes your child? Please choose one only.

- 1 American Indian
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 Hispanic or Latino/Latina
- 4 White or Caucasian
- 5 Biracial or Multiracial
- 6 Other: _____

Please write in how your child describes him/herself

56. What grade is your child in school?

- 1st grade
- 2nd grade
- 3rd grade
- 4th grade
- 5th grade
- 6th grade
- 7th grade
- 8th grade
- 9th grade
- 10th grade
- Other: _____

Just a few more questions and you are finished!