

In this booklet you will find questions about:

- You and your family
- Your views on various issues related to science
- The environment
- Careers and science
- Learning time
- Teaching and learning science

Please read each question carefully and answer as accurately as you can. In the test you usually circled your answers. For this questionnaire, you will normally answer by ticking a box. For a few questions you will need to write a short answer.

If you make a mistake when ticking a box, cross out or erase your mistake and mark the correct box. If you make an error when writing an answer, simply cross it out and write the correct answer next to it.

In this questionnaire, there are no right or wrong answers. Your answers should be the ones that are right for you.

You may ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to answer a question.

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SECTION 1: ABOUT YOU

Q1	What year level are you in?	ST01Q01
	year	
Q2	Which one of the following programs are you in?	ST02Q01
	(Please tick only one box)	
	Year 10 or below, in a general academic program	
	Year 10 or below, in a general academic program with some VET (vocational) subjects	
	Year 11 or 12, in a general academic program	3
	Year 11 or 12, in a general academic program with some VET (vocational) subjects	4
	Year 11 or 12, in a VET (vocational) course	5
Q3	On what date were you born?	
	(Please write the day, month and year you were born)	
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	Day Month Year	
Q4	Are you female or male?	ST04Q01
	Female Male	

Q5	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? INDIC	ĵ
	(For persons of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin, tick both 'Yes' boxes.)	
	a) No	
	b) Yes, Aboriginal	
	c) Yes, Torres Strait Islander	

SECTION 2: YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR HOME

In this section you will be asked some questions about your family and your home.

Some of the following questions are about your mother and father or those person(s) who are like a mother or father to you — for example, guardians, step-parents, foster parents, etc.

If you share your time with more than one set of parents or guardians, please answer the following questions for those parents/guardians you spend the most time with.

Q6a	What is your mother's main job? (e.g. school teacher, kitchen-hand, sales manager)	ST05Q01		
	(If she is not working now, please tell us her last main job)			
	Please write in the job title.			

Q6b What does your mother do in her main job?

(e.g. teaches high school students, helps the chef prepare meals in a restaurant, manages a sales team)

Please use a sentence to describe the kind of work she does or did in that job.

Q7	What is the highest level of schooling completed by your mother? st06q01	
	If you are not sure which box to choose, please ask the test administrator for help.	r
	(Please tick only one box)	
	She completed Year 12	
	She completed Year 10 or 11 and then did a TAFE training certificate (e.g. in Hairdressing or Bricklaying) \square_2	
	She completed some secondary school, but not more than Year 10	
	She completed primary school only \square_4	
	She did not complete primary school \square_5	
Q8	Does your mother have any of the following qualifications?	
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	If you are not sure how to answer this question, please ask the administrator for help. (Please tick one box in each row) Yes No a) A university degree	0.

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Q11 Does your father have any of the following qualifications?

If you are not sure how to answer this question, please ask the test administrator for help.

	Yes	No	
a)	A university degree		ST10Q01
b)	A TAFE diploma (e.g. Diploma in Information Technology, Diploma in Veterinary Nursing)		ST10Q02
c)	A TAFE training certificate (e.g. in Hairdressing or Bricklaving)		ST10Q03

Q12a In what country were you and your parents born?

(Please tick one answer in each column)

Q12b

	<i>ST11Q01</i>	ST11Q02	ST11Q03		
	You	Mother	Father		
Australia		01	01		
New Zealand					
England					
China					
Philippines					
South Africa		06	06		
Hong Kong		07			
India			08		
United States of America					
South Korea		10	10		
Other country	🔲 11				
If other country, please specify	<u>ST11N01</u>	<u>ST11N02</u>	<u>ST11N03</u>		
If <u>you</u> were NOT born in Australia, how old were you when you arrived in Australia? 5T11Q04					
(If you were less than 12 months old,	please write	zero (0))			
		Year	S		

What language do you speak at home most of the time? st12q01 **Q13** (Please tick only one box) English an Australian Indigenous language Italian Cantonese Arabic (including Lebanese) Vietnamese Greek

Q14 Which of the following are in your home?

I	Yes	No	
a) A desk to study at			ST13Q01
b) A room of your own		\square_2	ST13Q02
c) A quiet place to study			ST13Q03
d) A computer you can use for school work			ST13Q04
e) Educational software			ST13Q05
f) A link to the Internet			ST13Q06
g) Your own calculator			ST13Q07
h) Classic literature (e.g. Shakespeare, Dickens, Patrick White)			ST13Q08
i) Books of poetry			ST13Q09
j) Works of art (e.g. paintings)			ST13Q10
k) Books to help with your school work			ST13Q11
l) A dictionary			ST13Q12
m) A dishwasher			ST13Q13
n) A DVD or VCR player			ST13Q14
o) Cable/pay TV			ST13Q15
p) Digital camera			ST13Q16
q) Plasma TV			ST13Q17

Q15 How many of these are there at your home?

			None	One	Two	Three or more
	a)	Mobile phones				<i>ST14Q01</i>
	b)	Televisions				<i>5T14Q02</i>
	c)	Computers				□₄ <i>5T14Q03</i>
	d)	Cars				<i>5T14Q04</i>
	e)	Rooms with a bath and/or shower				
Q16		How many books are there in	your ho	me?		ST15Q01
		There are usually about 40 boomagazines, newspapers, or your sch	_	-	shelving	g. Do not include
		(Please tick only one box)				
		0-10 books				
		11-25 books				
		26-100 books				
		101-200 books				
		201-500 books				
		More than 500 books				

SECTION 3: YOUR VIEWS ON SCIENCE

This section asks about your views on various issues relating to science. Science refers to any topics that you might encounter in school, or outside of school (for example on television) that relate to space science, biology, chemistry, Earth science or physics.

Q17 How much do you agree with the statements below?

	Strongly agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a) I generally have fun when I am learning science topics		\square_3	□₄ <i>ST16Q01</i>
b) I like reading about science		\square_3	□ ₄ ST16Q02
c) I am happy doing science problems		\square_3	□ ₄ ST16Q03
d) I enjoy acquiring new knowledge in scient	ence	\square_3	□ ₄ ST16Q04
e) I am interested in learning about science	e		□₄ <i>ST16Q05</i>

Q18 How easy do you think it would be for you to perform the following tasks on your own?

		I could do this easily	bit of	I would struggle to do this on my own	I couldn't do this
a)	Recognise the science question that underlies a newspaper report on a health issue				□ ₄
b)	Explain why earthquakes occur more frequently in some areas than in others				□ ₄ <i>5T17Q02</i>
c)	Describe the role of antibiotics in the treatment of disease				□ ₄ <i>5T17Q03</i>
d)	Identify the science question associated with the disposal of garbage				□ ₄ <i>5T17Q04</i>
e)	Predict how changes to an environment will affect the survival of certain species				□ ₄ <i>5T17Q05</i>
f)	Interpret the scientific information provided on the labelling of food items				□ ₄ <i>5T17Q06</i>
g)	Discuss how new evidence can lead you to change your understanding about the possibility of life on Mars				□ ₄
h)	Identify the better of two explanations for the formation of acid rain			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST17Q08</i>

Q19 How much do you agree with the statements below?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a) Advances in science and technolog improve people's living conditions			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST18Q01</i>
b) Science is important for helping us understand the natural world			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST18Q02</i>
c) Some concepts in science help me relate to other people				<i>ST18Q03</i>
d) Advances in science and technolog help improve the economy	-		\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST18Q04</i>
e) I will use science in many ways what an adult			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST18Q05</i>
f) Science is valuable to society			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST18Q06</i>
g) Science is very relevant to me		$\square_{_2}$	$\square_{_3}$	□ ₄
h) I find that science helps me to und the things around me				□ ₄
i) Advances in science and technolog bring social benefits			\square_3	□ ₄ ST18Q09
j) When I leave school there will be a opportunities for me to use science	-			□ ₄ <i>ST18Q10</i>

Q20 How often do you do these things?

	Very Often	Regularly	Sometimes	Never or hardly ever
a) Watch TV programs about science			$\square_{_3}$	$\Box_{_4}$ ST19Q01
b) Borrow or buy books on science topics	🗀 1		\square_3	□₄ <i>ST19Q02</i>
c) Visit web sites about science topic	s 🔲 1			□ ₄
d) Listen to radio programs about advances in science	🗀 1			□ ₄
e) Read science magazines or science articles in newspapers				□ ₄
f) Attend a science club	🔲 1		\square_3	$\Box_{_4}$ ST19Q06

Q21 Here is a list of science topics. From which source(s) did you mainly learn about each of these topics?

(Please tick as many boxes as apply in each row)

	Lam	of these, not sure t this is s	My new	The TV, radio, vspaper or agazines	My friends	My Ir family	The nternet or books
a)	Photosynthesis						
		ST20QA1	ST20QA2	ST20QA3	ST20QA4	ST20QA5	ST20QA6
b)	Formation of the continents		-	-	-	_	-
		312UQB1	3120QB2	512UQB5	ST20QB4	512UQB3	SIZUQBO
c)	Genes and chromosomes						
		<i>ST20QC1</i>	ST20QC2	ST20QC3	<i>5T20QC4</i>	ST20QC5	ST20QC6
d)	Soundproofing						
		ST20QD1	ST20QD2	ST20QD3	ST20QD4	ST20QD5	ST20QD6
e)	Climate change						
		ST20QE1	ST20QE2	ST20QE3	ST20QE4	ST20QE5	ST20QE6
f)	Evolution						
		ST20QF1	ST20QF2	ST20QF3	ST20QF4	ST20QF5	ST20QF6
g)	Nuclear energy						
		<i>ST20QG1</i>	ST20QG2	ST20QG3	<i>ST20QG4</i>	<i>ST20QG5</i>	ST20QG6
h)	Health and nutrition						
		ST20QH1	ST20QH2	ST20QH3	ST20QH4	ST20QH5	ST20QH6

Q22 How much interest do you have in learning about the following science topics?

	High Interest	Medium Interest	Low Interest	No Interest	
a) Topics in physics	🔲 1		\square_3	$\square_{\scriptscriptstyle 4}$ ST21Q0	1
b) Topics in chemistry	🔲 1		\square_3	□₄ <i>ST21Q0</i>	12
c) The biology of plants	🔲 1			□₄ <i>5T21Q0</i>	13
d) Human biology	🔲 1			□₄ <i>5T21Q0</i>	14
e) Topics in astronomy	🔲 1			□₄ <i>5T21Q0</i>	15
f) Topics in geology	🔲 1		$\square_{_{3}}$	□ ₄ <i>ST21Q0</i>	16
g) Ways scientists design experiments	🔲 1		\square_3	<i>5T21Q0</i>	1 <i>7</i>
h) What is required for scientific explanations	s 🔲 1				8(

SECTION 4: THE ENVIRONMENT

Q23 How informed are you about the following environmental issues?

	1	have never eard of this	I have heard about this but I would not be able to explain what it is really about	I know something about this and could explain the general issue	I am familiar with this and I would be able to explain this well
a)	The increase of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>5T22Q01</i>
b)	Use of genetically modified organisms (GMO)			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST22Q02</i>
c)	Acid rain			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>5T22Q03</i>
d)	Nuclear waste		\square_2	\square_3	
e)	The consequences of clearing forests for other land use			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>5T22Q05</i>

Q24 From which source(s) did you <u>mainly</u> learn about each of these environmental issues?

(Please tick as many boxes as apply in each row)

	th ar sur	one of ese, I n not e what his is My	ne	he TV, radio, wspaper or igazines M	ly friends	My Int	The ternet or books
a)	Air pollution					□ ₁ ST23QA5	
b)	Energy shortages					□₁ ST23QB5	
c)	Extinction of plants and animals					□ ₁ <i>ST23QC5</i>	
d)	Clearing of forests for other land use					□ ₁ ST23QD5	
e)	Water shortages					□₁ ST23QE5	
f)	Nuclear waste	—- I				□ ₁ <i>ST23QF5</i>	

Q25 Do you see the environmental issues below as a serious concern for yourself and/or others?

		This is a serious concern for me personally as well as others	serious concern for other people in my country but not me personally	This is a serious concern only for people in other countries	This is not a serious concern to anyone
b) Air	pollution				□ ₄
b) Ene	ergy shortages				□₄ <i>5T24Q02</i>
	inction of plants mals				□₄ <i>st24q03</i>
	aring of forests fer land use				□ ₄
e) Wa	ter shortages				□₄ <i>ST24Q05</i>
f) Nuc	clear waste			\square_3	□₄ <i>5T24Q06</i>

Q26 Do you think problems associated with the environmental issues below will improve or get worse over the next 20 years?

	I	mprove	Stay about the same	Get worse	
a)	Air pollution	. 🔲 1	\square_2	\square_3 .	ST25Q01
b)	Energy shortages	. 🔲 1		\square_3 .	ST25Q02
c)	Extinction of plants and animals	. 🔲 1			ST25Q03
d)	Clearing of forests for other land use	. 🗀 1			ST25Q04
e)	Water shortages	. 🔲 1	$\square_{_2}$	\square_3	ST25Q05
f)	Nuclear waste	. 🔲 1		\square_3 .	ST25Q06

Q27 How much do you agree with the statements below?

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a)	It is important to carry out regular checks on the emissions from cars as a condition of their use				□ ₄
b)	It disturbs me when energy is wasted through the unnecessary use of electrical appliances				<i>ST26Q02</i>
c)	I am in favour of having laws that regulate factory emissions even if this would increase the price of products				□ ₄ ST26Q03
d)	To reduce waste, the use of plastic packaging should be kept to a minimum				
e)	Industries should be required to prove that they safely dispose of dangerous waste materials				
f)	I am in favour of having laws that protect the habitats of endangered species				□ ₄ ST26Q06
g)	Electricity should be produced from renewable sources as much as possible, even if this increases the cost			\square_3	□ ₄ ST26Q07

SECTION 5: CAREERS AND SCIENCE

In this section we ask you questions about science-related careers. When thinking about what a science-related career might be, think of the many jobs that involve science — not just the traditional 'scientist'. Careers like engineer (involving physics), weather forecaster (involving Earth science), optician (involving biology and physics), and medical doctors (involving the medical sciences) are all examples of science-related careers.

Q28 How much do you agree with the statements below?

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a)	The subjects <u>available</u> at my school provide students with the basic skills and knowledge for a science-related career				□₄ <i>ST27Q01</i>
b)	The science subjects at my school provide students with the basic skills and knowledge for many different careers	🔲 1			□ ₄
c)	The subjects <u>I study</u> provide me with the basic skills and knowledge for a science-related career	🔲 1			□ ₄
d)	My teachers equip me with the basic skills and knowledge I need for a science-related career			\square_3	□ ₄

Q29 How informed are you about these topics?

			Very well informed	Fairly informed	Not well informed	Not informed at all
	a)	Science-related careers that are available in the job market	1			
	b)	Where to find information about science-related careers	. 🔲 1		\square_3	□ ₄ ST28Q02
	c)	The steps students need to take if they want a science-related career	. 🗀 1		\square_3	□ ₄ ST28Q03
	d)	Employers or companies that hire people to work in science-related careers	. 🔲 1			
Q30		How much do you agree with the	stateme	ents bel	ow?	
		(Please tick only one box in each row)				
			Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
	a)	I would like to work in a career involving science	. □ ₁		\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST29Q01</i>
	b)	I would like to study science after secondary school	. □ ₁		\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST29Q02</i>
	c)	I would like to spend my life doing advanced science	. ₁			□ ₄ <i>ST29Q03</i>
	d)	I would like to work on science projects as an adult	. □ ₁		$\square_{_3}$	□ ₄ <i>ST29Q04</i>
Q31		What kind of job do you expect to	o have w	hen vo	u are	
~• 1		about 30 years old?				ST30Q01
		Write the job title				ST31N01
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SECTION 6: TIME SPENT LEARNING

Q32 How much time do you typically spend per week studying the following subjects?

For each subject, please indicate separately:

- the time spent attending <u>regular lessons</u> at your school;
- the time spent attending <u>out-of-school-time lessons</u> (at school, at home or somewhere else);
- the time spent <u>studying or doing homework</u> by yourself.

An hour here refers to 60 minutes, not to a class period.

	Science A	No time	Less than 2 hours a week	2 or more but less than 4 hours a week	4 or more but less than 6 hours a week	6 or more hours a week
a)	Regular lessons in science at my school					□₅ <i>5T31Q01</i>
b)	Out-of school-time lessons in science					□₅ <i>5T31Q02</i>
c)	Study or homework in science by myself					□₅ <i>ST31Q03</i>
	Mathematics					
d)	Regular lessons in mathematics at my school					□₅ <i>ST31Q04</i>
e)	Out-of school-time lessons in mathematics				\square_4	□₅ <i>ST31Q05</i>
f)	Study or homework in mathematics by myself					□ ₅ <i>ST31Q06</i>
	English					
g)	Regular lessons in English at my school					□ ₅
h)	Out-of school-time lessons in English					□₅ <i>5T31Q08</i>
i)	Study or homework in English by myself					□₅ <i>5T31Q09</i>
		26				

Q32 (continued)

	No time Other subjects	Less than 2 hours a week	2 or more but less than 4 hours a week	4 or more but less than 6 hours a week	6 or more hours a week	
	Other Subjects					
j)	Regular lessons in other subjects at my school		\square_3	4	$\Box_{\scriptscriptstyle 5}$ ST31Q $^{\scriptscriptstyle 7}$	10
k)	Out-of-school time lessons in other subjects \square_1			4	$\Box_{\scriptscriptstyle{5}}$ ST31Q $^{\circ}$	11
1)	Study or homework in other subjects by myself				□ ₅ ST3102	12

Q33 What type of <u>out-of-school-time</u> lessons do you attend currently (if any)?

These are lessons in subjects that you are learning at school, that you spend extra time learning outside of normal school hours. The lessons might be held at your school, at your home or somewhere else. These are only lessons in subjects that you also learn at school.

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a)	One to one lessons with a teacher who is also a teacher at your school			ST32Q01
b)	One to one lessons with a teacher who is <u>not</u> a teacher at your school			ST32Q02
c)	Lessons in small groups (less than 8 students) with a teacher who is also a teacher at your school			ST32Q03
d)	Lessons in small groups (less than 8 students) with a teacher who is <u>not</u> a teacher at your school			ST32Q04
e)	Lessons in larger groups (8 students or more) with a teacher who is also a teacher at your school			ST32Q05
f)	Lessons in larger groups (8 students or more) with a teacher who is not a teacher at your school			ST32006

SECTION 7: TEACHING AND LEARNING SCIENCE

In this section we ask you questions about your opinions and abilities in the science you are learning at school. Science refers to any science subject you are studying. Some students may study a general science course, other students may study one or more specific science subjects.

Q34 Did you or do you take any of the courses listed below?

(Please tick as many boxes as apply in each row)

	La	Last year		s year
	Yes	No	Yes	No
a) A compulsory science course				$\square_{_2}$ st33Q12
b) An optional science course				□₂ <i>5T33Q22</i>
c) A compulsory biology course				
d) An optional biology course				
e) A compulsory physics course		_ ₂		□₂ <i>5T33Q52</i>
f) An optional physics course				□₂ <i>5T33Q62</i>
g) A compulsory chemistry course		□₂ <i>5T33Q71</i>		□₂ <i>5T33Q72</i>
h) An optional chemistry course				□₂ <i>5T33Q82</i>

If you are studying any science subjects at school (this includes a general science course, or more specific science courses such as biology or physics), please continue.

If you are <u>not</u> studying any science subjects, please go to Q39 on page 34.

Q35 When learning science topics at school, how often do the following activities occur?

		In all lessons	In most lessons	In some lessons	Never or hardly ever
a)	Students are given opportunities to explain their ideas	🔲 1			□ ₄
b)	Students spend time in the laboratory doing practical experiments	🔲			□ ₄
c)	Students are required to design how a science question could be investigated in the laboratory				□ ₄ <i>ST34Q03</i>
d)	The students are asked to apply a science concept to everyday problems	🔲 1			□ ₄
e)	The lessons involve students' opinions about the topics	🔲 1			□ ₄
f)	Students are asked to draw conclusions from an experiment they have conducted	🔲 1			□ ₄ <i>5T34Q06</i>
g)	The teacher explains how a science idea can be applied to a number of different phenomena (e.g. the movement of objects, substances with similar properties)				□ ₄
h)	Students are allowed to design their own experiments	🔲 1			□ ₄ <i>5T34Q08</i>

Q35 (continued)

		In all lessons	In most lessons	In some lessons	never or hardly ever
i)	There is a class debate or discussion			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>5T34Q09</i>
j)	Experiments are done by the teacher as demonstrations			$\square_{_3}$	□₄ <i>5T34Q10</i>
k)	Students are given the chance to choose their own investigations			\square_3	□ ₄
l)	The teacher uses science to help students understand the world outside school			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>5T34Q12</i>
m)	Students have discussions about the topics			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST34Q13</i>
n)	Students do experiments by following the instructions of the teacher			\square_3	□ ₄
o)	The teacher clearly explains the relevance of science concepts to our lives			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST34Q15</i>
p)	Students are asked to do an investigation to test out their own ideas			\square_3	□₄ <i>5T34Q16</i>
q)	The teacher uses examples of technological application to show how science is relevant to society				□ ₄

Q36 How much do you agree with the statements below?

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a)	Making an effort in my science subject worth it because this will help me in the work I want to do later on	ie			□ ₄ <i>ST35Q01</i>
b	What I learn in my science subject(s) i important for me because I need this for what I want to study later on	or			□ ₄ <i>ST35Q02</i>
c)	I study science because I know it is use for me				□ ₄ <i>ST35Q03</i>
d	Studying my science subject(s) is worthwhile for me because what I lear improve my career prospects				□ ₄
e	I will learn many things in my science subject(s) that will help me get a job	🔲 1			□ ₄ <i>ST35Q05</i>
Q37	In general, how important de the subjects below? (Please tick only one box in each	-	it is for	you to	do well in
	V	ery ortant Import		f little i ortance	Not mportant at all
a)	Science subjects			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST36Q01</i>
b	Mathematics subjects			\square_3	□₄ <i>5T36Q02</i>
c)	English subjects		\Box_2		□ ₄ ST36Q03

Q38 The following question asks about your experience in learning science topics.

How much do you agree with the statements below?

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a)	Learning advanced science topics would be easy for me	🔲 1			<i>ST37Q01</i>
b)	I can usually give good answers to test questions on science topics	🔲 1		\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST37Q02</i>
c)	I learn science topics quickly		\square_2	\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST37Q03</i>
d)	Science topics are easy for me			\square_3	□ ₄ ST37Q04
e)	When I am being taught science, I can understand the concepts very well	🗆 1			□ ₄ ST37Q05
f)	I can easily understand new ideas in science	🔲 1			□ ₄ <i>ST37Q06</i>

SECTION 8: YOUR USE OF COMPUTERS

The following questions ask about computers: this does not include calculators or games consoles like a PlayStationTM or $Xbox^{TM}$.

Q39	Have you ever used a compute (Please tick only one box)	er?			IC02	1001
		Please cont	inue			
	No □₂ →	Please go to	o Q44 on j	page 38.		
Q40	How long have you been using control (Please tick only one box)	ompute	ers?		<i>IC02</i>	?Q01
	One year or more but less than three years					
Three years or more but less than five years						
Q41	How <u>often</u> do you use a compute (Please tick one box in each row)	ter at th	nese pl	aces?		
		Almost every day	Once or twice a week	A few times a month	Once a month or less	Never
	a) At home			\square_3	\Box_4	□₅ <i>IC03Q01</i>
	b) At school			\square_3	4	□₅ <i>IC03Q02</i>
	c) At other places			$\square_{_{3}}$		□₅ <i>IC03Q03</i>

Q42 How often do you use computers for the following reasons?

		Almost every day	A few times each week	Between once a week and once a month	Less than once a month	Never
a)	Browse the Internet for information about people, things, or ideas	🔲 1		\square_3		□₅ <i>IC04Q01</i>
b)	Play games	🔲 1		$\square_{_3}$		□ ₅ IC04Q02
c)	Write documents (e.g. with Microsoft Word® or WordPerfect®)	🔲 1				□₅ <i>IC04Q03</i>
d)	Use the Internet to collaborate with a group or team	🔲 1				□₅ <i>IC04Q04</i>
e)	Use spreadsheets (e.g. Lotus 1 2 3® or Microsoft Excel®)					□₅ <i>IC04Q05</i>
f)	Download software from the Internet (including games)	🔲 1		\square_3		□₅ <i>IC04Q06</i>
g)	Drawing, painting or using graphics programs	🔲 1				□₅ <i>IC04Q07</i>
h)	Use educational software such as Mathematics programs	🔲 1				□₅ <i>IC04Q08</i>
i)	Download music from the Internet					□₅ <i>IC04Q09</i>
j)	Writing computer programs					
k)	For communication (e.g. E-mail or "chat rooms")			\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>IC04Q11</i>

Q43 How well can you do each of these tasks on a computer?

		I can do this very well by myself	I can do this with help from someone	cannot	I don't know what this means
a)	Chat online			\square_3	□₄ <i>IC05Q01</i>
	Use software to find and get rid of computer viruses				□ ₄ IC05Q02
	Edit digital photographs or other graphic images				<i>1C05Q03</i>
	Create a database (e.g. using Microsoft Access®)				□ ₄ <i>IC05Q04</i>
e)	Copy data to a CD (e.g. make a music CD)			\square_3	<i>1C05Q05</i>
	Move files from one place to another on a computer			$\square_{_{3}}$	<i>IC05Q06</i>
g)	Search the Internet for information			\square_3	□₄ <i>IC05Q07</i>
h)	Download files or programs from the Internet			$\square_{_3}$	□₄ <i>IC05Q08</i>
i)	Attach a file to an E-mail message			\square_3	□₄ <i>IC05Q09</i>
j)	Use a word processor (e.g. to write an essay for school)				<i>1C05Q10</i>
k)	Use a spreadsheet to plot a graph			\square_3	<i>1C05Q11</i>
	Create a presentation (e.g. using Microsoft PowerPoint®)			\square_3	
m)	Download music from the Internet			\square_3	□₄ <i>IC05Q13</i>

Q43 (continued)

	I can do this very well by myself	I can do this with help from someone	I know what this means but I cannot do it	I don't know what this means
n) Create a multi-media presentation (with sound, pictures, video)				□ ₄ <i>IC05Q14</i>
o) Write and send E-mails		\square_2		IC05Q15
p) Construct a web page				

SECTION 9: OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Q44 On average, how many hours do you spend <u>each week</u> on the following?

(When answering include time at the weekend too)

a)	Working at a paid job (not at home)	hours per week	ST44N01
b)	Watching TV	hours per week	ST44N02
c)	Listening to music	hours per week	ST44N03
d)	Playing sport	hours per week	ST44N04
e)	Reading for pleasure	hours per week	ST44N05
f)	Doing unpaid or voluntary work	hours per week	ST44NOA

SECTION 10: YOUR LIFE AT SCHOOL

Q45 Compared with most of the students in your year level at school, how well are you doing in...

(Please tick one box in each row)

		Very	Better than verage	About average	Not very well	Very poorly	Not studying this subject
a)	Your English/literacy subject(s)?				4		$\square_{_6}$ ST45N01
b)	Your mathematics/ numeracy subject(s)?				4		□ ₆
c)	Your subjects overall?	🔲 1		\square_3	4		□ ₆
Q4(6 My school is a p						
	,		S	trongly agree	Agree	Disag	Strongly ree disagree
	a) The work we do is int	eresting				\square_3	<i>ST46N01</i>
	b) Teachers are fair and	just to me				\square_3	□ ₄
	c) The things I learn are me	-		1		\square_3	□ ₄
	d) I have learnt to work l	nard	[1		\square_3	<i>ST46N04</i>
	e) I feel happy					\square_3	<i>ST46N05</i>
	f) Teachers listen to wha	at I say		1		\square_3	☐ ₄ ST46N06
	g) I achieve a standard in which I consider satis	-	[□ ₄

Q46 (continued)

My school is a place where...

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
h)	I like learning				□ ₄ ST46N08
i)	I get enjoyment from being here			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46N09</i>
j)	The work I do is good preparation for my future			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46N10</i>
k)	I like to ask questions in class			\square_3	$\square_{_4}$ ST46N11
1)	Teachers give me the marks I deserve			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46</i> N12
m)	I have acquired skills that will be of use to me when I leave school				□ ₄
n)	I always achieve a satisfactory standard in my work			\square_3	□ ₄ ST46N14
o)	I like to do extra work			\square_3	$\square_{_4}$ ST46N15
p)	Teachers take a personal interest in helping me with my school work				□₄ <i>ST46N16</i>
q)	I really like to go each day			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46</i> N17
r)	I enjoy what I do in class			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46</i> N18
s)	I always try to do my best				$\square_{_4}$ ST46N19
t)	The things I learn will help me in my adult life				□₄ <i>ST46N20</i>
u)	I know how to cope with the work			\square_3	$\square_{_4}$ ST46N21
v)	Teachers help me do my best			\square_3	□ ₄ ST46N22
w)	I get excited about the work that we do			\square_3	□₄ <i>ST46N23</i>

Q46 (continued)

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
x)	I find that learning is a lot of fun			\square_3	□ ₄ ST46N24
y)	I am given the chance to do work that really interests me				□ ₄ ST46N25
z)	I know I can do well enough to be successful				□ ₄ ST46N26
aa)	The things I am taught are worth learning				□ ₄ ST46N27
ab)	I feel safe and secure				□₄ <i>ST46</i> N28
ac)	Teachers treat me fairly in class				□₄ <i>5T46N29</i>
ad)	I am a success as a student				□₄ <i>ST46N30</i>
Q47	Do you plan to complete Year	12?		ST4.	7N01
	(Please tick only one box)				
	Yes, I plan to complete Year 12]1
	No, I do not plan to complete Year 12				
	I am not sure at this time]

SECTION 11: STUDY PLANS AFTER SCHOOL

Q48	In the year i	<u>imm</u>	<u>ediate</u>	ely aft	<u>er</u> you	ı leav	e sch	ool		
	(Please tick o	ne bo	ox in e	ach ro	w)					
		Go to university	Get an apprenticeship	Get a traineeship	Go to a TAFE or VET college	Do some other study or training	Look for work/get a job	Don't know	Something else	If something else, please tell us
	t do you plan			$\square_{_3}$						ST48N01
b) pare	t do your e nts want you			\square_3	\Box_4					ST48N02
c) your	t do most of friends plan									ST48N03
Q49	Do you pla			ny fur	ther s	tudy	at any	othe	r time	after <i>5T49N01</i>
	(Please tick	only o	one bo	x)						
	No	••••••				→	Please page	go to Q	50 on th	e next
	Yes, university	ty cou	rse							
	Yes, apprenti	ceship)							
	Yes, traineesl	nip			4					
	Yes, other TA	AFE o	r VET o	course .						
	Something el	se								
	If somethi	ing els	se, pleas	se tell u	s					

SECTION 12: CONTACT DETAILS

Q50 We would like to be able to keep in contact with you regarding your experiences in school, work, and further training.

Please complete the following in BLOCK letters.

NAME:									
HOME ADDRESS:									
Number and Street									
Suburb/Town									
State Post Code									
				,		,			1
Home Phone No	()							
Mobile Phone No									
Email									

Please note: This information is removed from the PISA database at the conclusion of testing and will be used only as a contact for the follow-up study.

SECTION 13: WORK

Q51	Do you currently have a part	-time or casu	al job?	ST51N01				
	This means a job that you do dur and for which you are paid. Ple help out or for pocket money.	O	•	•				
	(Please tick only one box)							
	Yes, I have a part-time or casual job		Please continue					
	No, I do not currently have a job	□₂ →	Please go to pag	ge 46				
Q52	During a typical week, how many hours do you work (in total) in your job?							
	(If you do not work during one of these periods, please write zero (0))							
	Monday to Friday —	hours		ST52N01				
	Saturday and Sunday —	—— hours		ST52N02				
Q53	In your main job, how much	is your usua	I take-home	pay?				
	(Please enter your pay and circle	the relevant po	ayment period)					
	\$ <u>\$\st\$753\text{NO1}</u> . \stackstart{\text{ST53\text{NO2}}} per (hour / we	eek / fortnight / mo	onth)	ST53N03				
Q54	What is your job (e.g., cash	ier, food attei	ndant)?	ANZSCO				
	Please write in the job title							
Q55	What do you do in your job	? (e.g., serve	customers, c	clean				
	Please use a sentence to describe	e the kind of wo	rk you do in yo	ur job.				

Q56 What are your reasons for working? I work because ...

(Please tick one box in each row)

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a)	It is the kind of work I want to do as a career	. 🔲 1			□ ₄ <i>ST56N01</i>
b)	I enjoy the work			\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST56N02</i>
c)	My family needs the money		\square_2	\square_3	□ ₄ <i>ST56N03</i>
d)	I like the sense of independence the job provides me				□ ₄
e)	It will help me get a job when I finish studying	. □ ₁		\square_3	□ ₄ ST56N05
f)	It is in the family business and I am expected to help	. 🔲 1		\square_3	□ ₄
g)	I need money to help support myself at school	1		\square_3	□ ₄
h)	Working gives me my own spending money				

If you are in Year 9 or 10, please continue.

If you are in Year 11 or 12, please go to Q60 on page 48.

SECTION 14: WORK EXPERIENCE (Questions for Year 9 or 10 students)

Work experience is a program that gives secondary school students a chance to explore and experience the world of work. Students can observe different aspects of work and may be given small jobs to do. Work experience usually involves placements of 1 or 2 weeks in a business or industry.

As a part of your schooling, have you done any work Q57 experience this year? ST57N01 (Please tick only one box) No, I am not doing work You have completed the questionnaire. **>** experience this year Thank you for taking part in PISA. No, not yet but I will do You have completed the questionnaire. work experience between **→** Thank you for taking part in PISA. now and the end of the year Yes, I have done work Please continue experience this year

Q58 How many days of work experience have you done? ST58N01

days

Q59 How much did work experience teach you about ...

(Please tick one box in each row)

			Not much	Nothing	Don't know
a)	what work is really like		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ 5759N01
b)	getting along with other people			4	□₅ 5T59N02
c)	following instructions		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ 5T59N03
d)	thinking for yourself		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>5T59N04</i>
e)	being confident		$\square_{_3}$	\square_4	□ ₅
f)	the kind of skills needed for that job		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ ST59N06
g)	working conditions in general		$\square_{_3}$	\square_4	□₅ ST59N07
h)	the career you would like after school			4	□₅ <i>ST59N08</i>

Year 9 and 10 students:

You have completed the questionnaire.

Thank you for taking part in PISA.

SECTION 15: Courses at School (Questions for Year 11 or 12 students)

Q60	During 2006, are you stu Baccalaureate (IB)?	dying for the International <i>ST60N01</i>
	(Please tick only one box)	
	Yes □ ₁ →	You have completed the questionnaire. Thank you for taking part in PISA.
	No □₂ →	Please continue
Q61	•	or have you done any Vocational (VET) subjects at school? <i>sт61n01</i>
	Yes □ ₁ →	Please continue
	No □₂ →	Please go to Q65 on page 50
Q62	Is this VET study part of (Please tick only one box) Yes, apprenticeship	•
	No, neither	

Q63	Does this VET study involve time s (away from school)?	spen	t learning	-	orkplace s <i>т63n01</i>
	(Please tick only one box and enter the refrom school)	ıumbe	er of days l	earning (away
	No, I do not spend any time learning in a workplace as part of my VET study \square_1	→	Please go t	o Q65 on	page 50.
	Yes, I will spend time between now and the end of the year in a workplace	→	How many	days	<u>ST63N02A</u>
			Please go t	o Q65 on j	page 50.
	Yes, I have spent time learning in a workplace away from school \square_3	→	How many	days _	<u>ST63N03A</u>
Q64	How much has your workplace lea following things?	rnin	g taught y	ou abo	ut the
	(Please tick one box in each row)				
	Quite a lot	A fa		Nothing	Don't know
a)	What work is really like \square_1	${\color{red}\square}_2$	$\square_{_{3}}$	\square_4	$\square_{\scriptscriptstyle 5}$ ST64N01
b)	Getting along with other people \square_1	${\color{red}\square}_2$	\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST64N02</i>
c)	Following instructions		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST64N03</i>
d)	Thinking for yourself \square_1		\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST64N04</i>
e)	Being confident		\square_3	4	□₅ <i>ST64N05</i>
f)	The kind of skills needed for that job \Box_1		\square_3	4	□₅ <i>ST64N06</i>
g)	Working conditions in general		\square_3	4	□₅ <i>st64n07</i>
h)	The career you would like after school $ \square_{_1}$		\square_3	4	□₅ <i>ST64N08</i>

	This year are you doing or have you done any study at a TAFE college or TAFE subjects as part of your schooling? st65N01 (Please tick only one box)						
	Yes □₁ → Please continue						
	No ☐ You have completed the questionnaire. Thank you for taking part in PISA.						
	Is this TAFE study part of an apprenticeship or traineeship? <i>sτ66</i>						
	(Please tick only one box)						
	Yes, apprenticeship \square_1						
	Yes, traineeship \square_2						
	No, neither \square_3						
	Does this TAFE study involve time spent learning in a workplace (away from school)? ST67N01						
	(Please tick only one box and enter the number of days learning away from school)						
	No, I do not spend any time learning in a workplace as part of my TAFE study You have completed the questionnaire. Thank you for taking part in PISA.						
	Yes, I will spend time between now and the end of the year in a workplace. How many days						
	the end of the year in a workplace						
	Yes, I have spent time learning in a workplace away from school						

Q68 How much has your workplace learning taught you about the following things?

(Please tick one box in each row)

		Quite a lot	A fair bit		Nothing	Don't know
a)	What work is really like				\square_4	□₅ 5T68N01
b)	Getting along with other people		$\square_{_{2}}$	\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST68N02</i>
c)	Following instructions		$\square_{_{2}}$	\square_3	4	□₅ <i>5T68N03</i>
d)	Thinking for yourself		\square_2		\square_4	□₅ <i>5T68N04</i>
e)	Being confident		$\square_{_2}$	\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST68N05</i>
f)	The kind of skills needed for that job		${\bigsqcup}_2$	\square_3	\square_4	□₅ ST68N06
g)	Working conditions in general		\square_2	\square_3	\square_4	□₅ <i>ST68N07</i>
h)	The career you would like after school			$\square_{_3}$		□₅ <i>5T68N08</i>

You have completed the questionnaire.

Thank you for taking part in PISA.