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ABSTRACT

This questionnaire assesses drug knowledge, drug use practices, and attitudes toward drugs in junior high school, senior high school, and college students. The 105 items (multiple choice, yes/no, or completion) are concerned with personal and demographic data, "book" knowledge of drugs, "street" knowledge of drugs (drug argot and the like), attitudes toward drugs and drug users, peer drug use, and personal drug use practices. The instrument is untimed, group administered, and may be given by the classroom teacher. Selected item response data and findings for samples of Washington State high school and junior college students are reported. No other technical data was available for review. This questionnaire was used to survey drug attitudes, knowledge and experience of students in Tacoma and Everett, Washington. The results are summarized. See also TM 001 220. (DG)

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NARCOTICS CENTER QUESTIONNAIRE

INTRODUCTION

As you know, there has been a great deal of talk and publicity about drugs and youth. Much of what we are hearing and reading about drugs and college students is based on relatively little information. The study you have been asked to take part in is designed to get more specific information about how students feel about drugs. We are trying to find out how much young college students know about drugs and what their attitudes and experiences with them are.

Before you go ahead with the questionnaire, there are three important points to be made:

First, these questionnaires are completely anonymous. You will notice that we have not asked for your name on the test sheets. In this way, it is quite different from the usual school test. The personal information we ask for is there simply because we need to know how these things relate to what you know about drugs. We are interested in how the students here as a whole feel about drugs not in how any individual feels. When you have finished the questionnaires they will be taken to the Narcotics Center. Your questionnaires won't remain here. We are taking these precautions so that you may feel frank in the answers you put down.

Second, there are a lot of technical questions in this questionnaire. We know that you won't know the answers to all of the questions. You have probably learned what you know about drugs by reading on your own or by talking to friends. Just pick out the answer to each question that seems the most reasonable to you.

Third, your participation in this questionnaire survey is entirely voluntary. We want to get as good a cross section of students as we can, so we hope that all of you will answer to the best of your ability. We are interested in your reactions to the questionnaire, and would appreciate your writing comments in the margins or at the end. If you are going to answer otherwise than frankly or seriously, just tell us when you turn it in, and we won't use your questionnaire in our survey.

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DRUG KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Your grade in school _____ 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14
2. Your age _____
3. Your sex _____ 1. F _____ 2. M
4. Your race _____ 1. Caucasian(white), _____ 2. Negro _____ 3. Other
5. Indicate your grade point average by checking on the scale below.
A B C D F
/ / / / / /
4.0 3.5 3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 .5 0

Have you ever had classroom instruction of five days or more on drugs and drug abuse? _____ 0. No _____ 1. Yes (106.)

6. How many brothers and sisters do you have _____ ?
7. Where do you stand among your brothers and sisters? (Check one)
_____ 1. Oldest
_____ 2. Youngest
_____ 3. In between
_____ 4. I am the only child
8. Living with:
_____ 1. Both parents
_____ 2. A parent and a step parent
_____ 3. Mother alone
_____ 4. Father alone
_____ 5. Other
9. If you had a personal problem, which of the following people would you be most likely to talk it over with? (Check one)
_____ 1. A parent
_____ 2. A friend of your own age and sex
_____ 3. A friend of your own age of the opposite sex
_____ 4. An adult outside the family
_____ 5. Wouldn't talk it over with anyone

Here are some organizations to which you might belong. First, go down the left hand columns checking to show which ones you belong to now. Then check in the right hand columns to show how frequently you attend each type of organization.

	DO YOU BELONG?		HOW OFTEN DO YOU ATTEND?				
	1	0	1	2	3	4	
	Yes	No	Rarely	Monthly	Weekly	More Often	
School Club	10.	_____	_____	11.	_____	_____	_____
Club or organization outside of school	12.	_____	_____	13.	_____	_____	_____
Church	14.	_____	_____	15.	_____	_____	_____

16. What kind of work does your father do? (Give type of work, trade or profession, NOT where he works. If in Armed Services, give grade or rank).

17. What kind of work does your mother do?

18. Has your home been outside the state of Washington at any time?

_____ 1. Yes _____ 2. No

19. How many times have you moved in the past five years? (Check one)

- _____ 1. Haven't moved
_____ 2. Once
_____ 3. Twice
_____ 4. Three times
_____ 5. Four or more times

Now we would like to find out something of what you know of drugs and drug use. Here are some drugs which may be abused. Classify each drug by checking in the correct column opposite its name. Check one column only.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Stimulant	Depressant	Hallucinogen	Tranquillizer	Opiate	Don't Know
20. Alcohol	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
21. Heroin	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
22. Marijuana	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
23. Seconal	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
24. Meprobamate (Miltown, Equanil)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
25. Codeine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
26. LSD	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
27. Thorazine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
28. Cocaine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
29. Nembutal	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
30. Methedrine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
31. STP	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
32. Dexedrine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
33. Librium	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

34. Which one of the following drugs will keep the user from sleeping?

- _____ 1. Heroin
- _____ 2. Marijuana
- _____ 3. Morphine
- _____ 4. Barbiturates
- _____ 5. Dexedrine

35. What is the minimum Federal sentence for a first conviction for possession of marijuana?

- 1. a month
- 2. 6 months
- 3. 1 year
- 4. 2 years
- 5. 5 years

36. Becoming physically dependent upon a drug means:

- 1. Liking the drug so much you can't do without it
- 2. Needing the drug to get rid of physical symptoms
- 3. The body's adapting so it has a continuing need for the drug
- 4. Using the drug all of the time
- 5. Needing the drug for one's financial support

37. Becoming psychologically dependent is one of the dangers of:

- 1. Dexedrine
- 2. LSD
- 3. Alcohol
- 4. Cocaine
- 5. All of these

38. The minimum Federal sentence for a first offense of selling marijuana is:

- 1. 6 months
- 2. 1 year
- 3. 2 years
- 4. 5 years
- 5. 10 years

39. The possibility of actual physical damage to the brain is one of the principal dangers of:
- 1. Marijuana
 - 2. Heroin
 - 3. Glue sniffing
 - 4. Meprobamate
 - 5. Morphine
40. Which of the following is an effect of morphine?
- 1. Increased alertness
 - 2. Heart beats faster
 - 3. Physical damage to the brain
 - 4. Increased sex drive
 - 5. Constipation
41. Becoming psychologically dependent on a drug means:
- 1. Liking it so much you don't want to do without it
 - 2. Taking the drug to get in with a group of people
 - 3. Having to use the substance because of emotional needs
 - 4. The body's adapting so it has a continuing need for the drug
 - 5. Having to increase the dose to get the same effect
42. Which of the following drugs is used medically for pain relief?
- 1. Methedrine
 - 2. Seconal
 - 3. Meprobamate
 - 4. Dexedrine
 - 5. Morphine
43. Which of the following drugs reduce(s) anxiety?
- 1. Morphine
 - 2. Meprobamate
 - 3. Dexamyl
 - 4. None of these
 - 5. All of these

44. Which of the following drugs are legal to use if you have a prescription for it?

- 1. Heroin
- 2. Marijuana
- 3. Nembutal
- 4. All of these
- 5. None of these

45. Which of the following drugs will make you think more efficiently?

- 1. Seconal
- 2. Morphine
- 3. Heroin
- 4. All of these
- 5. None of these

46. Liver infection is one of the dangers of:

- 1. Marijuana
- 2. Methedrine
- 3. Cocaine
- 4. Dexedrine
- 5. All of these

47. Marijuana comes from:

- 1. Tobacco
- 2. A cactus
- 3. Hemp plant
- 4. A kind of mushroom
- 5. Blue grass

48. Demerol is an artificial substitute for:

- _____ 1. Marijuana
- _____ 2. Peyote
- _____ 3. Mescaline
- _____ 4. Dexedrine
- _____ 5. Morphine

49. Mescaline is found in:

- _____ 1. Hemp
- _____ 2. Tobacco
- _____ 3. A kind of poppy
- _____ 4. A mushroom
- _____ 5. A cactus

50. Psilocybin is found in:

- _____ 1. Hemp
- _____ 2. Morning Glories
- _____ 3. A poppy
- _____ 4. A mushroom
- _____ 5. A cactus

51. "Drug Tolerance" means:

- _____ 1. Making a drug legal in a state
- _____ 2. The ability to know the effects of drugs
- _____ 3. The "high" that an addict gets from drugs
- _____ 4. The need for a larger dose to produce the same effect
- _____ 5. The inability to function without a drug

52. It is not against the law to:

- _____ 1. Be a narcotics addict
- _____ 2. Be in a place where narcotics are used without a permit
- _____ 3. Be in possession of narcotics without a permit
- _____ 4. Bring narcotics into the country without permission
- _____ 5. Administer narcotics to a patient without permission

53. Marijuana in the U.S. comes largely from:

- _____ 1. The Middle East
- _____ 2. South America
- _____ 3. Mexico
- _____ 4. China
- _____ 5. India

Check the number of the word on the right which best defines the word or phrase on the left. Check one answer only.

54. O.D.

- _____ 1. Overdrawn
- _____ 2. Overdose
- _____ 3. Officer of the day
- _____ 4. Office of Drugs
- _____ 5. Off duty

55. Drop

- _____ 1. Deliver drugs
- _____ 2. Pass out
- _____ 3. Small amount of a drug
- _____ 4. Take by mouth
- _____ 5. Let fall

56. On the nod

- _____ 1. In agreement
- _____ 2. Influenced to take drugs
- _____ 3. Bored
- _____ 4. Under the influence of an opiate
- _____ 5. Passed out

57. Reefer

- _____ 1. Marijuana cigarette
- _____ 2. Refrigerator
- _____ 3. Hypodermic needle
- _____ 4. Cocaine
- _____ 5. A dealer in illegal drugs

58. Nemby
- _____ 1. Heroin
 - _____ 2. Cocaine
 - _____ 3. A barbiturate
 - _____ 4. Marijuana
 - _____ 5. Hypodermic apparatus
59. Grass
- _____ 1. Heroin
 - _____ 2. Cocaine
 - _____ 3. A barbiturate
 - _____ 4. Marijuana
 - _____ 5. LSD
60. Acid
- _____ 1. LSD
 - _____ 2. Marijuana
 - _____ 3. Seconal
 - _____ 4. Cocaine
 - _____ 5. Heroin
61. Snow
- _____ 1. Heroin
 - _____ 2. Cocaine
 - _____ 3. Seconal
 - _____ 4. Marijuana
 - _____ 5. LSD
62. Junk
- _____ 1. In agreement
 - _____ 2. A hypodermic needle
 - _____ 3. Heroin
 - _____ 4. Marijuana cigarette
 - _____ 5. Cocaine

63. Speed

- _____ 1. LSD
- _____ 2. A marijuana product
- _____ 3. An amphetamine
- _____ 4. Drag of marijuana
- _____ 5. A barbiturate

64. Lid

- _____ 1. Mind
- _____ 2. A measure of marijuana
- _____ 3. Take by mouth
- _____ 4. Marijuana cigarette
- _____ 5. LSD

65. Main line

- _____ 1. Inject into a vein
- _____ 2. Be under the influence of an opiate
- _____ 3. Hangout for drug users
- _____ 4. An amphetamine
- _____ 5. A barbiturate

66. Toak

- _____ 1. Take by mouth
- _____ 2. Drag
- _____ 3. Hypodermic needle
- _____ 4. A barbiturate
- _____ 5. A marijuana product

67. Freak out

- _____ 1. Wild party
- _____ 2. Act bizarrely under the influence of drugs
- _____ 3. Pass out
- _____ 4. Hangout for drug users
- _____ 5. A "Square"

68. Smack

- _____ 1. A marijuana product
- _____ 2. Heroin
- _____ 3. LSD
- _____ 4. Cough syrup
- _____ 5. Marijuana butt

69. Joint

- _____ 1. In agreement
- _____ 2. A barbiturate
- _____ 3. Hangout for drug users
- _____ 4. Pack of sleepers
- _____ 5. Marijuana cigarette

70. Hash

- _____ 1. A barbiturate
- _____ 2. Heroin
- _____ 3. Marijuana product
- _____ 4. STP
- _____ 5. Cocaine

Here is a list of things which some young people use. Show how you feel about young people your age using these by checking opposite each one in the column which expresses your attitude. Check ONE COLUMN ONLY opposite each item.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<u>Very Bad</u>	<u>Somewhat Bad</u>	<u>May be Bad</u>	<u>Neither Good Nor Bad</u>	<u>May be Good</u>	<u>Somewhat Good</u>	<u>Very Good</u>
71. Aspirin	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
72. Beer, wine or liquor	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
73. Cigarettes	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
74. Glue sniffing	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
75. Heroin	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
76. LSD	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
77. Marijuana	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
78. Methedrine	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
79. Pep pills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
80. Sleeping pills	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Do you know anyone from among your friends
and acquaintances who is using.....

	1 YES	0 NO
81. Marijuana	_____	_____
82. LSD	_____	_____
83. Pep pills without prescription	_____	_____
84. Mescaline	_____	_____
85. Morning Glory seeds	_____	_____
86. Sleeping pills without prescription	_____	_____
87. Tranquillizers without prescription	_____	_____
88. Glue sniffing	_____	_____
89. Gasoline sniffing	_____	_____
90. Heroin	_____	_____
91. Morphine without prescription	_____	_____
92. Methedrine (speed)	_____	_____

What has been your experience with these drugs? Check the appropriate column which indicates your experience with each.

	1a.	1b.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
	No chance to try, wouldn't if offered	No chance to try, but might if I did	Had the chance, but didn't try	Tried it once	Use less than once a month	Use now about monthly	Use weekly	Use more than once a week
93. Marijuana	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
94. LSD	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
95. Pep pills - unprescribed	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
96. Mescaline	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
97. Morning Glory seeds	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
98. Sleeping pills unprescribed	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
99. Tranquillizers unprescribed	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
100. Glue sniffing	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
101. Gasoline sniffing	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
102. Heroin	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
103. Morphine unprescribed	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
104. Methedrine (speed)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
105. Other medical drugs without parents' or doctors' knowledge/approval	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____