ATTITUDES TOWARD SCHOOL SURVEY
(from The Center for Applied Research in Education)

Directions: On a five-point scale, indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.
1=strongly disagree
2=mildly disagree
3=undecided
4=mildly agree
5=strongly agree

1. For the most part, school has been a pleasant experience.
2. Most of my teachers seem to care about me as a person.
3. My teachers demand too much work from me.
4. Getting a good education is important to me.
5. The main purpose of education is to help me find a good job.
6. I work harder in school than do most students.
7. I do only enough work in school to get by.
8. School has encouraged me to think for myself.
9. I look forward to going to most of my classes.
10. I should spend more time studying.
11. If my teachers demanded more, I would probably work harder.
12. I feel that I could discuss personal problems with most of my teachers.
13. I am reluctant to participate in most class discussions.
15. My teachers seem to enjoy teaching.
16. I would consider teaching as a career.
17. Most students are apathetic toward school.
18. School is boring.
19. I am more concerned with getting good grades than with how much I learn.
20. School is a very lonely experience.
21. I try to please my teachers.
22. My school is a safe place.
23. Compulsory school attendance should be abolished.
24. Discipline is our school should be tighter.
25. School encourages me to be creative.

Thank You!
After you have administered the survey, tabulate how many people gave each answer for each question.

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Now, compute the PERCENTAGE of respondents DISAGREEING (answering “1” or “2”) and AGREEING (answering “4” or “5”) with each statement. Remember, to find the percentage divide by the total number of people answering the question.

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Compare your percentages with those we came up with when my classroom students administered this survey to 290 students.

**Attitudes Toward School Survey Results**

Disagree= percentage of students who marked “strongly disagree” (1) and “mildly disagree” (2)
Agree= percentage of students who marked “strongly agree” (5) and “mildly agree” (4)

1. disagree- 13% agree- 74% For the most part, school has been a pleasant experience.
2. disagree- 28% agree- 50% Most of my teachers seem to care about me as a person.
3. disagree- 37% agree- 38% My teachers demand too much work from me.
4. disagree- 4% agree- 91% Getting a good education is important to me.
5. disagree- 17% agree- 68% The main purpose of education is to help me find a good job.
6. disagree- 27% agree- 35% I work harder in school than do most students.
7. disagree- 51% agree- 33% I do only enough work in school to get by.
8. disagree- 16% agree- 64% School has encouraged me to think for myself.
9. disagree- 31% agree- 47% I look forward to going to most of my classes.
10. disagree- 13% agree- 75% I should spend more time studying.
11. disagree- 48% agree- 28% If my teachers demanded more, I would probably work harder.
12. disagree- 66% agree- 17% I feel that I could discuss personal problems with most of my teachers.
13. disagree- 48% agree- 28% I am reluctant to participate in most class discussions.
14. disagree- 49% agree- 31% I sometimes cheat on tests.
15. disagree- 18% agree- 26% My teachers seem to enjoy teaching.
16. disagree- 54% agree- 30% I would consider teaching as a career.
17. disagree- 12% agree- 37% Most students are apathetic about school.
18. disagree- 30% agree- 55% School is boring.
19. disagree- 22% agree- 59% I am more concerned with getting good grades than with how much I learn.
20. disagree- 69% agree- 15% School is a very lonely experience.
21. disagree- 21% agree- 62% I try to please my teachers.
22. disagree- 15%  agree- 67%  My school is a safe place.
23. disagree- 21%  agree- 33%  Compulsory school attendance should be abolished.
24. disagree- 54%  agree- 19%  Discipline in our school should be tighter.
25. disagree- 33%  agree- 45%  School encourages me to be creative.

*Percentages do not equal 100 because of student option to choose the answer “undecided”.

Analyze your results in comparison with those gathered in our research. Are they similar or different? Which group do you think was probably the more accurate? Why? What flaws can you find in the survey itself? Did you see a problem with any of the questions?