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WHAT'S HAPPENING TAPESCRPT

The next part of our work together is a questionnaire called the WHAT'S HAPPENING. You have been given an answer booklet with the title "WHAT'S HAPPENING?" on the cover. I will be reading questions for you to answer. These questions are about your family, your friends, some of your experiences with other people, and the general topic of drugs. Many of these questions will be quite personal, but we hope you will feel free to answer them honestly. All of your answers are completely confidential. Neither your parents nor your teachers will be given or be able to get to this information. We think it is important to get this information so that we can learn about the things that are problems for teenagers and so that we can plan programs for young people who feel the need for help. In working with us, you will be helping them, too.

I'm going to be reading the questions and then I will give you time to mark your answer on your answer sheet. As with the HOW I FEEL, there are no right or wrong answers, only what is true for you. You must listen very carefully, as the questions will be read pretty fast. If you miss a questions, just raise your hand and the proctors will stop the tape. If you have questions about anything as we go along, just raise your hand and one of the proctors will answer your question.

Let's start now. Please open your booklet to the first page. The first set of questions is about your family. By family, we mean people who live in your house plus your mother or father if they don't live with you.
Number one is a question about things families do together. Some families do a lot of activities together, while others do not. Thinking about your family, about how often do you do the following activities with your parents or other adults in your family? For each activity that I name, put a mark in the column under the number of times that tells how often you do each activity with adults in your family.

A. Go some place for entertainment together such as a movie or ballgame. Do you do this several times a week, at least once a week, about every two weeks, once a month, every few months, or less often?

B. Play games or sports or do other recreational activities with adults in your family. Mark under one of the times that is given on your answer sheet.

C. Do things together around the house like build or make things or cook or sew.

D. Work on homework together.

E. Go to church or other community activities together.

2. With which of the following adults in your family do you usually do the above activities? Mark whether or not you do these things with your mother, your stepmother, your father, your stepfather, another adult in the family, or no one. If the person named is not a part of your family mark in the last column.

3. In general, how satisfied are you with the activities you and the adults in your family do together? Mark how satisfied you are—somewhere between very, very satisfied to not at all satisfied.

4. How often do you confide about things with adults in your family? By confide we mean really share private feelings and problems.
Mark the number of times that indicates how often you share feelings and problems with adults in your family about each of the following kinds of things.

A. About school. Do you do this several times a week, at least once a week, about every two weeks, once a month, every few months, or less often?

B. How often do you confide with adults in your family about the family? (PAUSE)

C. About your friends. (PAUSE) And,

D. About the opposite sex.

PAUSE

5. And when you confide about such things—school, family, friends, the opposite sex—who in the family do you usually talk to? Mark whether or not you usually talk to your mother, your stepmother, your father, your stepfather, another adult in the family, no one. If the person named is not in your family, mark in the last column.

PAUSE

6. In general, how satisfied are you with the way you and adults in your family confide? Mark how satisfied you are—somewhere between very, very satisfied and not at all satisfied.

PAUSE

7. About how often do you and adults in your family do the following things openly with each other?

A. Act warm and loving. Do you usually do this several times a week, at least once a week, every two weeks, once a month, every few months or less often?

B. Have arguments with one another. (PAUSE)

C. Hug and kiss. (PAUSE)

D. Say mean things to each other. (PAUSE)
E. Bring each other little unexpected gifts. (PAUSE)

F. Let out hurt and angry feelings. (PAUSE)

G. Be understanding about each other's moods. (PAUSE)

H. Slam doors when angry. (PAUSE)

I. Say nice things to each other. (PAUSE)

J. Yell or shout to let off steam.

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8. In general, how satisfied are you with the way you and adults in your family show feelings with one another? Mark how satisfied you are—choose anywhere between very, very satisfied to not at all satisfied.

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9. How close do you feel to the following adults in your family? For each of the adults that I will name, mark how close you feel—choose anywhere between very, very close to not at all close. Remember, mark in the last column if there isn't such a person in your family.

A. Mother

B. Stepmother

C. Father

D. Stepfather

E. Another adult in the family

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10. A. How healthy overall would you say you've been for the last few weeks? Mark how healthy somewhere between very, very healthy to not at all healthy. (PAUSE)

B. How healthy overall would you say you've been since first grade?—very, very healthy, not at all healthy, or somewhere in between? (PAUSE)

C. Compared to others your age, how would you say your health is? Mark very much better, very much worse, or somewhere in between.
11. A. How many times have you been in the hospital since first grade because of an accident—for example, breaking an arm or getting burned? None, once, twice, three times, four times, or more often?

(PAUSE)

B. How many times have you been in the hospital since first grade for an illness or operation—for example, pneumonia or having your appendix out? None, once, twice, three times, four times, or more?

(PAUSE)

C. About how many days altogether have you spent in the hospital since first grade? None, a week or less, two to three weeks, a month, or more?

PAUSE

12. A. In the last month, how many days were you absent or sent home from school because you were sick? None, one, two or three, four or five, or more? (PAUSE)

B. In the past year, about how many days of school did you lose because you were sick? None, one or two, three to five, six to ten, eleven to fifteen, or more?

PAUSE

13. How much does your health limit the kinds of things you can do—for example, taking gym or walking long distances? Mark how much from very, very much to not at all.

PAUSE

14. How tall are you? Are you 5 feet or less, 5 feet 1 inch to 5 feet 3 inches, 5 feet 4 inches to 5 feet 6 inches, 5 feet 7 to 5 feet 9, 5 feet 10 to 5 feet 11, or 6 feet or more?

PAUSE

15. How much do you weight? Are you less than 100 pounds, 101 to 115, 116 to 130, 131 to 145, 146 to 160, or more than 160 pounds?
16. For those of you are girls, when did you first start your monthly periods? Were you 10 or younger, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 or older, or have you not started yet?

17. How do you feel about someone your age having sexual intercourse? Mark how you feel somewhere from strongly approve to strongly disapprove.

18. How often have you engaged in sexual intercourse? Never, once or twice, or more often.

19. Whether you are a boy or a girl, how do you feel about a girl your age becoming pregnant? Mark how you feel somewhere between strongly approve to strongly disapprove.

20. For those of you who are girls, have you ever been pregnant? For those of you who are boys, have you ever made a girl pregnant?

21. How do you feel about someone your age using birth control? Mark how you feel somewhere between strongly approve to strongly disapprove.

22. Do you use birth control—never, sometimes, or always? Mark in the last column if you don't engage in sexual intercourse.

23. How do you feel about someone your age having an abortion? Mark how you feel somewhere between strongly approve to strongly disapprove.

24. For the most part, how much do you and your parents agree on these sexual matters? Mark how much you agree from very, very much to not at all.
25. How much does your family—including your mother, father, guardian or other adult—set rules for your schooling such as doing homework, attendance at school and behavior in school? Do they set very definite rules, set rules but leave it somewhat up to you, leave it mostly up to you but set some rules, or leave it entirely up to you?

26. A. Is there a certain time of night when you must be at home one week nights? Are you not permitted to go out at all, must you be in before 10 o'clock, between 10 and 12, or no special time? (PAUSE)

B. How about weekends? Are you not permitted to go out at all, must you be in before 10 o'clock, between 10 and 12, or no special time?

27. How much do your parents leave the choice of your friends up to you? Do they leave the choice entirely up to you, give advice but leave choice mainly up to you, leave it somewhat up to you but rule out some boys or girls, or do they regulate very closely who your friends are?

28. What kinds of rules do your parents have about your use of the following:

A. Beer and wine. Do they absolutely forbid it, leave it all up to you, or something in between?

B. Drugs, (PAUSE) and

C. Cigarettes

29. Which of the following members of your family take part in deciding about rules and enforcing the rules about you? Mark whether or not each person is usually involved in deciding about rules; mark in
the last column for people not in your family.

A. Mother f1agrØ16
B. Stepmother f1agrØ26
C. Father f1agrØ36
D. Stepfather f1agrØ46
E. Another adult in the family f1agrØ56
F. You f1agrØ66

PAUSE

30. How much respect or disrespect do you feel for your mother at times when rules are being made and enforced? Mark how much respect you feel—choose anywhere from very much respect to very much disrespect.

PAUSE

31. Think about your family's rules concerning you.

A. How satisfied are you with these rules? Mark how satisfied you are—choose anywhere from very, very satisfied to not at all satisfied. (PAUSE)

B. How satisfied are you with how the rules are made? (PAUSE)

C. How satisfied are you with how rules are enforced?

PAUSE

32. Mark between very, very much and not at all important the opinion of each of the following people is regarding your behavior:

A. Your mother (PAUSE)
B. Your father (PAUSE), and
C. Your best friend.

PAUSE

33. How much do you want to be like your mother when you are an adult? Mark how much—choose anywhere from very, very like her to not at all like her.

PAUSE
34. How much do you want to be like your father when you are an adult? Mark how much—between very, very much like him to not at all like him.

PAUSE

35. Mark whether or not you know any of the following people that you could turn to for help when you're in trouble.

A. Minister or priest
B. A doctor or lawyer
C. A teacher
D. A family member in your household
E. A relative who doesn't live with you
F. Another adult who doesn't live with you
G. A friend who is not an adult

PAUSE

36. How many days during the week do you usually spend time with your friends outside of school hours? Almost never, one or two days during the week, 3 to 5 days during the week, or 6 or 7 days?

PAUSE

37. During the last month or so, about how many different friends did you spend time with? None, one or two, three to five, six to nine, ten to nineteen, or twenty or more.

PAUSE

38. About how many of these friends you just counted are friends of the opposite sex? If you are a boy, how many are girls? If you are a girl, how many are boys? None, one or two, three to five, six to nine, ten or more.

PAUSE
39. How old are most of your friends? Are most of your friends 13 years or younger, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, or 19 years or older?

40. How many of your friends of either sex do you feel really close to? None, one, two or three, four or five, six or more.

41. How many close friends do you feel you can share secrets with about private feelings and problems? None, one, two, three to five, six or more.

42. How satisfied are you with your friends? Mark your answer between very, very satisfied to not at all satisfied.

43. How "in" do you feel with your social group? Mark your answer somewhere between very, very much in the group to very, very much outside the group.

44. In how many activities, organizations or teams are you presently a member or regular participant at school? None, one, two, three, four or more.

45. Have you been or are you now an officer for any of these activities, organizations or teams at school? Mark yes or no.

46. Outside of school, in how many organizations and teams are you presently a participant? None, one, two, three, or four or more.

47. Have you been or are you now an officer in any of these groups outside of school? Mark yes or no.
48. When you are with your friends, how often do you take the lead in deciding what the group will do? Would you say usually, sometimes or hardly ever?

49. About how many days were you absent for any reason from school last year? None, one to two, three to five, six to ten, eleven to fifteen, sixteen to twenty, twenty-one or more.

50. About how many classes do you skip in an average week? These are classes that you just cut out on. None, one, two to three, four to five, six or more.

51. How far would you like to go in school if you have the chance. Mark the farthest you would like to go. Some high school, finish high school, some college, finish college, or go beyond college.

52. How far do you think you really will go the way it looks now? Mark the farthest you think you really will get. Some high school, finish high school, some college, finish college, or go beyond college?

53. Have you ever been stopped, taken to the police station or appeared in court for any of the following things:

A. Disorderly conduct

Mark in one of the following categories. Never, have done this but wasn't stopped by the police, was stopped but not arrested, was taken to police station or appeared in court. (PAUSE) Using the same categories, mark for the following: (PAUSE AFTER EACH ITEM)
B. Run away

C. Truancy

D. Curfew violation

E. Larceny or theft

F. Burglary or breaking and entering

G. Assault

H. Vandalism, or

I. Narcotics drug law.

PAUSE

54. Here are a number of things that you might do that could get you in trouble. Please tell us how many times you've done these things in the last three years. For each question, mark the place under the number of times that is true for you.

A. Stayed out later than parents said you should. Have you done this five or more times, three or four times, twice, once, or never in the last three years. (PAUSE AFTER EACH ITEM)

B. Got into a serious fight with a student at school

C. Run away from home

D. Taken something not belonging to you

E. Went into someone's land or into someone's house or building when you weren't supposed to be there

F. Been suspended from school

G. Got something by threatening a person

H. Argued or had a fight with either of your parents

I. Got into trouble with police

J. Hurt someone badly enough to need bandages or a doctor

K. Damaged school property on purpose

L. Taken something from the store without paying for it
Sadcq126  N. Hit a teacher
Sadcq136  N. Drunk beer or liquor without parent's permission
Sadcq146  O. Smoked in school
Sadcq236  P. Hit your father
Sadcq166  Q. Taken a car that didn't belong to someone in your family
without permission of the owner
Sadcq176  R. Taken part of a car without permission of the owner
Sadcq186  S. Taken part in a gang fight
Sadcq246  T. Hit your mother
Sadcq266  U. Had to bring your parents to school because of something
you did
Sadcq216  V. Skipped a day at school without a real excuse
Sadcq156  W. Carried a weapon

PAUSE

55. Now we are going to ask some questions about drug use. In
the last two months, how often—if at all—have you been using the following
drugs? Mark under the number of times you have used these drugs.

sdcla026  A. Marijuana or hashish (other names for these are grass, pot
reefer, or hash)

Have you used these forty times or more, twenty to thirty-nine times, ten to
nineteen times, three to nine times, just once or twice, or not at all in
the last two months.

sdcluto36  B. LSD or other psychedelics (this includes acid, mescaline,
peyote, morning glory seeds, magic mushrooms, angel dust)

sdcluto46  C. Uppers, methedrine or amphetamines (this includes Dexamyl,
bennies, greenies and speed)

sdcluto76  D. Downers or barbiturates without a doctor's prescription
(this includes Phenobarbital, reds, yellow jackets, and blues)
E. Tranquilizers without a doctor's prescription (this includes Equanil, Miltown, Librium, Valium and Thorazine)

F. Cocaine

G. Heroin, methadone, opium or morphine

H. Glue, gas or other inhalants

I. Cough syrup or codeine without a doctor's prescription

J. Hard liquor like whiskey, gin, and vodka

K. Beer or wine

PAUSE

56. Now I'm going to go through the same list of drugs and I would like to know how often you have ever used each of the following drugs.

A. Marijuana or hashish—have you used it 40 times or more ever, 20 to 39 times ever, 10 to 19 times ever, three to nine times ever, one to two times ever, or have you never used it. Mark under the place that tells how often you have ever used marijuana or hashish.

B. LSD or other psychedelics

C. Uppers, methedrine, or amphetamines

D. Downers or barbiturates without a doctor's prescription

E. Tranquilizers without a doctor's prescription

F. Cocaine

G. Heroin, methadone, opium or morphine

H. Glue, gas or other inhalants

I. Cough syrup or codeine taken without a doctor's prescription

J. Hard liquor or whiskey

K. Beer or wine

PAUSE

57. How often do you smoke cigarettes? Do you smoke a pack a day or more, now smoke less than a pack a day, smoked occasionally, only smoked once or twice ever, have you never smoked?
58. How old were you when you first did each of the following. Mark under the age when you first did each.

sdcaq016 A. Smoked a cigarette

Were you 8 or younger, 9 or 10, 11 or 12, 13 or 14, 15 or older, or have you never smoked a cigarette?

sdcaq026 B. Now, how old were you when you first drank beer or wine?

sdcaq036 C. Drank hard liquor

sdcaq046 D. Smoked marijuana

sdcaq056 E. Tried a "hard drug," that is, a drug other than the one's we've already mentioned in this question.

PAUSE

59. Please answer yes or no to these questions. (PAUSE AFTER EACH)

ppnqq016 A. Do you believe that most problems will solve themselves if you just don't fool with them?

ppnqq026 B. Are you often blamed for things that just aren't your fault?

ppnqq036 C. Do you feel that most of the time it doesn't pay to try hard because things never turn out right anyway?

ppnqq046 D. Do you feel that most of the time parents listen to what their children have to say?

ppnqq056 E. When you get punished does it usually seem it's for no good reason at all?

ppnqq066 F. Most of the time do you find it hard to change a friend's mind?

ppnqq076 G. Do you feel that it's nearly impossible to change your parent's mind about anything?

ppnqq086 H. Do you feel that when you do something wrong there's very little you can do to make it right?
I. Do you believe that most kids are just born good at sports?

J. Do you feel that one of the best ways to handle most problems is just not to think about them?

K. Do you feel that when a kid your age decides to hit you, there's little you can do to stop him or her?

L. Have you felt that when people were mean to you it was usually for no reason at all?

M. Do you believe that when bad things are going to happen they just are going to happen no matter what you try to do to stop them?

N. Most of the time do you find it useless to try to get your own way at home?

O. Do you feel that when somebody your age wants to be your enemy there's little you can do to change matters?

P. Do you usually feel that you have little to say about what you get to eat at home?

Q. Do you feel that when someone doesn't like you there's little you can do about it?

R. Do you usually feel that it's almost useless to try in school because most other children are just plain smarter than you are?

S. Are you the kind of person who believes that planning ahead makes things turn out better?

T. Most of the time, do you feel that you have little to say about what your family decides to do?

PAUSE

60. People think that there are many things or persons that help shape their lives. Some are very very important. Some aren't at all important in making their lives what they are. Thinking about how things are going for you overall, I want you to tell how much you think each of
the following has to do with how you're doing.

A. How much does God have to do with how you're doing? Mark somewhere between very, very much to not at all. (PAUSE)

B. How much does luck have to do with how you're doing overall? (PAUSE)

C. How much does the way society is have to do with how you're doing? (PAUSE)

D. How much does the way your teachers are have to do with how you're doing? (PAUSE)

E. How much does the way your parents are have to do with how you're doing? (PAUSE)

F. How much does the way your friends are have to do with how you're doing? (PAUSE)

G. How much does the way you yourself are have to do with how you're doing?

PAUSE

This is the end of the WHAT'S HAPPENING. You've been most helpful to us. If you would like to follow up further on any of the issues raised in either the HOW I FEEL or the WHAT'S HAPPENING, the Southside Youth Program has trained people who would be available to talk with you. Some of these people are a few years older than you. By number 61 in the answer booklet, there is a place to mark whether you would like us to contact you, or whether you will contact us, or whether you wish no further contact at this time. Please mark by number 61, close your booklet, and then the proctors will give you some more information about this.