



Follow-up Personal Interview

Earlier, I stated that you might have to explain some of your answers. I want to go back to those questions and talk about them briefly. Okay?

1. **Teachers play an important role in my doing well in school.** What do you mean?

14. **People in my family have been treated mean or unfairly by White people.** Tell me why you answered this way.

15. **Because of my parents/guardians, I try to do well in school.** Please explain why you feel this way.

17. **I get tired of learning about White people in class.** Tell me why you responded this way.

19. **Most Black people have been treated mean or unfairly by White people.** Tell me more.

20. **I am responsible for my own success.** Please tell me what you meant by your answer.

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23. **I worry a lot about students teasing me for getting good grades.** Why did you respond this way?

36. **If students tease me about doing well in school, I let my grades drop—even if I know the work.** Why do you think this happens?

52. **If you are Black, going to school is a waste of time.** Tell me more about your answer.

54. **If I compete with a White person for a job, the White person is more likely to get it.** Why do you think this?

57. **Gifted programs are for White students only.** Please explain your answer in more detail.

59. **Black students say that I am “acting White” when I make good grades or speak standard English.** Please explain what you mean.

65. **I get more interested in school when we learn about Black people.** Please explain your answer in more detail.

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66. **I don't want to be in school if my friends are not there.** Why did you respond in this way?

67. **Some students won't be friends with me because I am smart or because I make good grades.** Tell me more.

68. **Black people have to work harder in school than White people to become successful.** Tell me why you responded this way.

70. **I think that gifted programs are for nerds and teachers' pets.** Why do you think this?

75. **Black students don't need to be in gifted programs.** Why do you feel this way?

78. **I want to learn more about Black people in school.** Please tell me why you feel this way.

87. **I would prefer to stay in a regular school program rather than be in a gifted program.** Please explain your response.

Thank you for participating in this study.