

Note

The variable questionnaire only contains the translation of the standard version of the questionnaire, i.e. not the specific variants for the federal states Hamburg, Saarland, Hesse and Berlin.

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1 Questions about school time

Question 1.1

Which type of school or school branch do you currently attend?

Grammar school:.....

schulneu

Comprehensive/community school
with upper secondary level:.....

schulneu_g1

schulneu_g2

Free Waldorf school:.....

Evening school:.....

College (not vocational college):.....

Specialised grammar school,
vocational grammar school:.....

Higher vocational school:.....

Technical college:.....

(Upper) vocational school:.....

Technical institute:.....

Professional academy:.....

Other type of school:.....

Namely:

Question 1.2

Please state the type of higher education entrance qualification you are aiming for in this school year.

reifeart

General higher education entrance qualification (A-Levels):.....

Subject-related higher education entrance qualification:.....

University of applied sciences entrance qualification:

Subject-related (incl. federal state-specific) university of applied sciences entrance qualification.....

School-based part of university of applied sciences entrance qualification.....



Question 1.2a

Are you then aiming for the full entrance qualification for a university of applied sciences?

schulthr

yes..... no..... I don't know.....

Question 1.3

If you are aiming for the general higher education entrance qualification (Abitur), after which grade will this be?

reifeabs

12. Grade (G8):.....

13. Grade (G9):.....

Question 1.4

How satisfied are you yourself with your school performance?

(Relate your information to the last year in which you took the respective subject.)

completely satisfied completely dissatisfied

Overall school performance.:............................. **zufschule**

Performance in German:............................. **zufdeut**

Performance in Mathematics:............................. **zufmathe**

Performance in English:............................. **zufengl**

Question 1.5

Please state your current approximate average grade.

a) as a grade (e.g. 2.3):..... , **abinotev**

or

b) as grade points (e.g. 10):..... | **abipunkt**

Question 1.6

To what extent do you agree with the following statements in relation to your classes in general?

(Relate your information to the last school year.)

strongly applies does not apply at all

In class, everyone is treated equally and no one is favoured:......................... **unterricht01**

I learn a lot of new things in class:......................... **unterricht02**

What we learn in class is not only important for school:......................... **unterricht03**

In class, understanding the material is made easier through clear examples:......................... **unterricht04**

Previous knowledge from previous lessons is refreshed in class so that we can keep up better:......................... **unterricht05**

I feel encouraged by the lessons to deal with the subject more intensively outside of school:......................... **unterricht06**

The grading is fair and comprehensible:......................... **unterricht07**

The requirements in class are just right:......................... **unterricht08**

Different methods and forms of teaching (e.g. group work) are used in class:......................... **unterricht09**

I can actively participate in class and am challenged:......................... **unterricht10**

Question 1.7

How important is it to your parents that you ...

very important very unimportant don't know

...have good grades at school?......................... **elternnote**

...acquire the university entrance qualification?......................... **elternhr**

Question 1.8

Have you already completed a vocational training or will you do so in parallel to gaining your higher education entrance qualification?

(Multiple answers possible.)

yes, I have completed vocational training before obtaining my higher education entrance qualification... **vorhzb**

yes, I will complete vocational training parallel to obtaining my university entrance qualification... **parahzb**

no, neither/nor:..... **noaushzb**

go to question 1.9

go to question 1.11

Question 1.9

What type of training(s) is it?

(Multiple answers possible.)

Company-based vocational training (e.g. apprenticeship):..... **vorlehre**

School-based vocational training:..... **vorschul**

Civil service training:..... **vorbeamt**

Question 1.10

Please name your training occupation(s).

(E.g. bank clerk, electronics technician, carpenter. Please state if the training was completed before or parallel to gaining the higher education entrance qualification.)

anzvorbe	vorberuf	vorberuf_g1
anzparabe	paraberuf	paraberuf_g1

Question 1.11

How would you describe your state of health in general?

very good good moderate poor **gesund** very poor

Question 1.12

To what extent do you agree with the following statements in relation to yourself?

strongly agree agree disagree strongly disagree

I often worry that it will be difficult for me taking a test.................... **angst01**

I worry that I will get poor grades at school.................... **angst02**

Even if I am well prepared for a test I feel very anxious.................... **angst03**

I get very tense when I study.................... **angst04**

I get nervous when I don't know how to solve a task at school.................... **angst05**

Question 1.13

Please state to what extent you are interested in the following activities.

	very strong	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	not at all	
Reading and interpreting literature/poetry.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int15
Painting or drawing pictures.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int21
Caring for the sick or injured.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int22
Doing accounting work.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int12
Reading academic papers.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int02
Exact observation and analysis.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int08
Caring for and supporting vulnerable persons.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int10
Building technical equipment or systems.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int19
Composing business letters.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int18
Coordinating/delegating tasks.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int17
Dealing with the problems of others.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int04
Doing art/design.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int03
Analysing the causes of a problem.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int20
Checking and controlling invoices.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int24
Persuading others.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int23
Working with machines/technical equipment.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int01
Leading conversations/chairing discussions.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	int05

Question 1.14

Nobody displays the same capabilities in all areas. In which of the following areas are your strengths, and in which are your weaknesses?

strong weak

Social communication.................... **begab09**

Language and literature.................... **begab01**

Foreign languages.................... **begab02**

Art and music.................... **begab03**

Technical subjects.................... **begab04**

Manual/craft skills.................... **begab05**

Sports.................... **begab06**

Mathematics.................... **begab07**

Natural sciences.................... **begab08**

Economic sciences.................... **begab10**

Question 1.15

The following statements may apply to you to a greater or lesser extent. For each statement, please state to what extent it applies to you personally?

applies fully does not apply at all

I can rely on my own abilities in difficult situations.................... **slburt01**

I am able to solve most problems on my own.................... **slburt02**

I can usually solve even challenging and complex tasks well.................... **slburt03**

Question 2.4

Do you intend to study after school?

(Please mark only one answer.)

studabs

yes, definitely.....

yes, probably.....

possibly.....

no, probably not.....

no, definitely not.....

go to question 2.5

go to question 2.10

Question 2.5

What type of study would you be most interested in? Studying at a...

(Please mark only one answer.)

studart

University of applied sciences (also Baden-Württemberg cooperative state university).....

University, college of art or music, college of education or theology, technical university.....

University of cooperative education.....

Colleges of public administration.....

I have no idea yet.....

Question 2.6

Which subject are you considering?

(Please enter a code from the enclosed list.)

anzerstfa

erstfa1

1st main subject....

...if applicable 2nd main subject

erstfa2

anzandfa

I am still unsure, but tend towards.....

andfach1

or.....

andfach2

I do not yet have an idea about my

field of study.....

keineahn

Question 2.7

Is your aim to become a teacher?

Yes

No

Question 2.8

Are you aiming for a dual study programme?

(Dual study means a combination of a degree programme with vocational training or practical work elements.)

Yes

No

Question 2.9

Which higher education institution do you want to study at?

(Please state name and location of the university or of vocational academy. (e.g. Kiel University, Münster University of Applied Sciences, Güstrow University of Administration))

I have no idea yet.....

Question 2.10

How important are the following aspects to you when choosing your future place of work or study?

very important unimportant

Favourable living conditions at the place of training /study (cost of living, housing)......................... **ortbillig**

Parents, relatives or friends live at the place of training/study......................... **ortelvt**

Proximity to home town......................... **ortzhomna**

Good reputation of the place of training/university......................... **ortguruf**

Leisure activities offered at the place of training/study......................... **ortfreiz**

Atmosphere at the place of training/study......................... **ortatmos**

The training/study programme best suits my professional interests......................... **ortfachi**

Financial reasons force me to live close to home......................... **ortfihom**

High quality of training/studies......................... **ortgutau**

High practical relevance of training/studies......................... **ortpraxi**

Access restrictions can be met......................... **ortnc**

The place of training/study offers excellent employment opportunities after graduation......................... **ortchanc**

Question 2.11

Which educational path do your parents want for you after school?

(Please mark only one answer.)

erwartelt

A study.....

A vocational training.....

Have no preference.....

Question 2.12

Do you intend to do vocational training and study?

dualabs

No

Yes, one after the other.....

Yes, in parallel.....

Do not know yet.....

Question 2.13

Imagine that you have all the possibilities to become what you want. What would be your desired profession?

(Please state, e.g. doctor, automotive mechatronics technician)

wberuf1

wberuf1_g1

wberuf2

wberuf2_g1

anzwberuf

I have no idea yet.....

Question 3.4

What causes you personally particular difficulties and problems with career choices after leaving school?

(Multiple answers possible.)

The difficult to manage number of possibilities..... **schwie01**

The development on the labor market, which is difficult to foresee..... **schwie02**

The difficulty of obtaining information that would be helpful to me..... **schwie03**

The difficulty in assessing which qualifications and competences will be important..... **schwie04**

The unsatisfactory preparation for the choice of education at school..... **schwie05**

The lack of clarity about my interests..... **schwie06**

The lack of clarity about my aptitude/skills..... **schwie07**

The financing of a course of study/vocational training..... **schwie10**

Entry restrictions (e.g. NC, entrance exams) in the subject I want to study..... **schwie11**

Something else: **schwie08** **schwieso** **schwieso_g1**

I have no particular difficulties or problems..... **schwie09**

Question 3.5

To what extent have the following things taken place so far to support your choice of studies and career?

to a great extent not at all

a) At the current school ...

...we were informed about studying and different courses of study......................... **unterst01**

...we were informed about training and further education opportunities (e.g. apprenticeship) and various training occupations......................... **unterst02**

...we got in touch with universities (e.g. through visits, trial studies, fairs)......................... **unterst03**

...we got in touch with companies (e.g. through visits, internships, fairs)......................... **unterst04**

...internships were prepared and followed up......................... **unterst05**

...we practised job applications......................... **unterst06**

...we dealt with our personal professional interests and strengths (e.g. with aptitude tests)......................... **unterst07**

...parents, alumni and other professionals have reported on their professions and training paths......................... **unterst08**

b) Outside of school/ In my free time ...

...I found out about study opportunities on the Internet or with apps......................... **unterst09**

...I found out about vocational training opportunities on the internet or with apps......................... **unterst10**

...I have used books or magazines to choose my studies and career......................... **unterst11**

...I took tests to find out about my professional interests and strengths......................... **unterst12**

Question 3.8

What do you think, how good would the prospects be, ..

very good very bad

a) to get a well-paid job later ...

...if you were to do a vocational training degree?......................... **aussicht1**

...if you were to graduate from university?......................... **aussicht2**

b) to get a job that is respected in society later on ...

...if you were to do a vocational training degree?......................... **aussicht3**

...if you were to graduate from university?......................... **aussicht4**

c) to get an interesting job later on ...

...if you were to do a vocational training degree?......................... **aussicht5**

...if you were to graduate from university?......................... **aussicht6**

d) not to become unemployed later on ...

...if you were to do a vocational training degree?......................... **aussicht7**

...if you were to graduate from university?......................... **aussicht8**

Question 3.9

Do the costs of studying have an impact on your decision to study or not?

great influence no influence **einflfin**

Question 3.10

During vocational training or studies, various things have to be paid for, e.g. travel expenses, books or fees. How difficult would it be for you and your family to cover these costs...?

very easy very difficult

...if you were doing vocational training?......................... **kostausb1**

...if you were studying?......................... **koststud1**

Question 3.11

Also, you can only earn your own money to a limited extent during a vocational training/studies. How big would the loss of income be for you, ...

very low very high

...if you were doing vocational training?......................... **kostausb2**

...if you were to take up a course of study?......................... **koststud2**

Question 3.12

To what extent do the following statements apply to your friends?

strongly applies does not apply at all

Most of my friends want to do vocational training after school......................... **frndurt5**

Most of my friends want to go to university after school......................... **frndurt6**

Most of my friends have a migration background, i.e. they themselves or at least one of their parents was born abroad......................... **frndurt7**

Question 3.13

Now we are interested in your assessment of what experiences people with a migration background have in Germany. How much do the following statements apply?

strongly applies does not apply at a

People with a migration background are praised less often than others at school or in training, no matter how good they are....................

migrant1

People with a migration background are rejected more often than others when looking for an apprenticeship/job, even if they have equally good certificates....................

migrant2

People with a migration background are paid less than others for the same work....................

migrant3

People with a migration background can only achieve something if they make more of an effort than others....................

migrant4

People with a migration background experience less discrimination in their studies than in vocational training....................

migrant5

Work in a management position......................... **belezi10**

Being my own boss......................... **belezi11**

Work for the benefit of others......................... **belezi12**

Act unselfishly......................... **belezi13**

Gain public recognition......................... **belezi14**

Have the opportunity to do scientific work......................... **belezi15**

Lead an exciting and varied life......................... **belezi16**

Achieve high social prestige......................... **belezi17**

Enjoy life to the full......................... **belezi18**

Develop my skills......................... **belezi19**

Broaden my intellectual horizons......................... **belezi20**

Have the opportunity to influence society......................... **belezi21**

Question 4.4

Once very generally speaking: How much are you interested in politics?

very strong fairly strong moderate less strong not at all **intpol**

Question 4.5

There are various ways in which you can try to improve something in Germany or prevent something from getting worse. During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following?

Have you ...

yes

no

do not know

...contacted a politician or official at government,
federal state or local level?............... **polpart1**

...worked in a political party or action
group?............... **polpart2**

...worked in another organisation,
association or club?............... **polpart3**

...worn or attached a badge or sticker of
a political campaign?............... **polpart4**

...participated in a signature
collection?............... **polpart5**

...taken part in a lawful public
demonstration?............... **polpart6**

...boycotted certain products?............... **polpart7**

...posted or shared anything about politics online,
for example on blogs, via email or in social media
such as Facebook or Twitter?............... **polpart8**

Question 4.7

Imagine you were offered three different jobs with different starting salaries, which one would you take?

simgeh

The job with an average salary from the start.....

The job with low salary for the first two years, then a high salary later on.....

The job with very low salary for the first four years, then a very high salary later on.....

5 Personal information

Question 5.1

How many books do your parents own?

(Approximately 40 books fit on one metre of shelf. Please do not include magazines.)

				kultkap		
0-50	51-100	101-200	201-300	301-500	501-1000	more than 1000
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question 5.2

What gender are you?

geschl

Female.....

Male

I cannot assign myself to either gender.....

Question 5.3

Please state the month and year of your birth.

gebjahr

Month | Year | | |

Question 5.4

Were you born in Germany?

gebland1

Yes.....

No.....

gebland2 gebland2_g1 _____ (Please enter country)

↓ gebland2_g2 deutseit

Question 5.4a

Since when have you lived in Germany?..... | | | (Year)

Question 5.8

What vocational training qualifications do your parents have?

(Multiple answers possible.)

	Father		Mother	
Doctorate (PhD).....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatpromo	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutpromo
University degree.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatuni	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutuni
Degree from a university of applied sciences.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatfh	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutfh
Degree from a master craftsman/technician /technical college, vocational or technical academy.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatmei	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutmei
Vocational-in-company training (apprenticeship).....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatlehre	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutlehre
Vocational-school training (vocational school, commercial school).....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatschul	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutschul
No professional qualification.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatohne	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutohne
Professional qualification unknown.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	vatunbek	<input type="checkbox"/>	mutunbek

Question 5.9

All in all, how satisfied are you with your life at present?

very satisfied **zufriede** very dissatisfied