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Self-Administered Questionnaire for Father (SAQF)

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Québec Longitudinal Study of Child Development (QLSCD – E14) – Round 2011

This questionnaire must be filled out by the child's father (child aged ABOUT 13 YEARS OLD).

Thank you for your cooperation which is so essential to the success of this study. It is important to answer all questions to the best of your knowledge. There are no right or wrong answers.

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This questionnaire will remain strictly confidential.

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Instructions and examples

You will find that there are several possible answers to the following questions. Unless otherwise indicated, we ask you to choose only one answer for each question. As there are no right or wrong answers, the idea is to choose the answer best suited to your personal situation. Please consider the instructions following your choice (**ex.: Go to question...**).

Here are a few sample questions and answers to illustrate what we mean.

Example 1

2. In the past 12 months, how often would you say that your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)...	Never or not true	Sometimes or somewhat true	Often or very true	Not applicable
a) ... could not sit still, was restless or hyperactive?	1	2	3	
c) ... tried to help someone who has been hurt?	1	2	3	99

Example 2

16. How many days a week do you and your child...
- ◆ Circle only one answer to each statement.

	Every day	Days per week			Days per month	Rarely or never
		5 or 6	3 or 4	1 or 2	1 or 2	
a) ... eat together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
b) ... play sports together?	1	2	3	4	5	6

Let's begin...

First Name – Child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)

Section 1

About your child's behaviour...

1. What is your relationship with the child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)?

♦ Circle only one answer

- You are his/her biological father 1
- You are the current spouse or partner of the child's mother but **not** his/her biological father 2
- You are someone else (that is, grandfather, uncle, legal guardian, etc.) 3
- You are the adoptive father of the child 4

2. We would like to ask you some questions about how your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) has been feeling or acting **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**. Indicate the statement which in your opinion best describes your child's behaviour.

♦ It is possible that some of the following may not apply to your particular situation. On such cases, please circle "99" not applicable

♦ Circle only one answer to each statement

In the past 12 months, how often would you say that your child ...	Never or not true	Sometimes or Somewhat true	Often or very true	Not applicable
a) ... could not sit still, was restless or hyperactive?	1	2	3	
b) ... damaged or broke his/her own things?	1	2	3	
c) ... tried to help someone who has been hurt?	1	2	3	99
d) ... was shy with children he/she didn't know?	1	2	3	
e) ... stole things?	1	2	3	
f) ... was defiant or refused to comply with adults' requests or rules?	1	2	3	
g) ... seemed to be unhappy or sad?	1	2	3	
h) ... got into fights?	1	2	3	
i) ... showed little interest for activities involving other children?	1	2	3	

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In the past 12 months , how often would you say that your child ...	Never or not true	Sometimes or Somewhat true	Often or very true	Not applicable
j) ... encouraged other children to pick on a particular child?	1	2	3	
k) ... was easily distracted, had trouble sticking to any activity?	1	2	3	
l) ... when mad at someone, tried to get others to dislike that person?	1	2	3	
m) ... didn't seem to feel guilty after misbehaving?	1	2	3	
n) ... preferred to play alone rather than with other children?	1	2	3	
o) ... was not as happy as other children?	1	2	3	
p) ... readily approached children he/she didn't know?	1	2	3	
q) ... damaged or broke things belonging to others?	1	2	3	
r) ... reacted in an aggressive manner when teased? (For example, hit, push or slap another child.)	1	2	3	

In the past 12 months , how often would you say that your child...				
s) ... was unconcerned about the feelings of others?	1	2	3	99
t) ... was unable to concentrate, could not pay attention for long?	1	2	3	
u) ... was too fearful or anxious?	1	2	3	
v) ... tried to dominate other children?	1	2	3	
w) ... bragged about accomplishments?	1	2	3	99
x) ... when mad at someone, became friends with another as revenge?	1	2	3	
y) ... punishment didn't change his/her behaviour?	1	2	3	
z) ... took a long time to warm up to children he/she didn't know?	1	2	3	
aa) ... was impulsive, acted without thinking?	1	2	3	
bb) ... told lies or cheated?	1	2	3	

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In the past 12 months , how often would you say that your child ...	Never or not true	Sometimes or Somewhat true	Often or very true	Not applicable
cc) ... had temper tantrums or hot temper?	1	2	3	
dd) ... reacted in an aggressive manner when contradicted? (For example, hit, push or slap another child.)	1	2	3	
ee) ... was worried?	1	2	3	
ff) ... scared other children to get what he/she wanted?	1	2	3	
gg) ... had difficulty waiting for his/her turn in games?	1	2	3	
hh) ... when somebody accidentally hurt him/her (such as by bumping into him/her) he/she reacted with anger and fighting?	1	2	3	
ii) ... tended to do things on his/her own, was rather solitary?	1	2	3	
jj) ... when mad at someone, said bad things behind the other's back?	1	2	3	
kk) ... physically attacked people?	1	2	3	
ll) ... comforted a child (friend, brother or sister) who was crying or upset?	1	2	3	99
In the past 12 months , how often would you say that your child...				
mm) ... cried a lot?	1	2	3	
nn) ... committed any acts of vandalism?	1	2	3	
oo) ... couldn't settle down to do anything for more than a few moments?	1	2	3	
pp) ... was nervous, highstrung or tense?	1	2	3	
qq) ... hit, bit, or kicked other children?	1	2	3	
rr) ... reacted in an aggressive manner when something was taken away from him/her? (For example, hit, push or slap another child.)	1	2	3	
ss) ... was inattentive?	1	2	3	
tt) ... had trouble enjoying him/herself?	1	2	3	
uu) ... helped other children (friends, brother or sister) who were feeling sick?	1	2	3	99
vv) ... used or conned others?	1	2	3	

First Name – Child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)

Section 2

About your child's school life...

With the next questions, we would like to find out how often you talk to your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) about the following subjects.

3. Do you ever tell your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) that... ◆ Circle only one answer	Never	Seldom	Sometimes	Often
a)... it is important to you that he/she succeed in school?	1	2	3	4
b)... it is important to you that he/she works hard in school?	1	2	3	4
c)... knowing Mathematics is important for his/her future?	1	2	3	4
d)... knowing English is important for his/her future?	1	2	3	4
e)... it is important to you that he/she respects their teachers?	1	2	3	4
f)... it is important to you that he/she respects the other students?	1	2	3	4

4. How far would you want your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) to go in school?

◆ Circle only one answer

- That he/she finishes high school (general education) (SSD) 1
That he/she does vocational training in high school (DVS) 2
That he/she does technical training at the CEGEP level (junior college) (DCS) 3
That he/she attends university 4

5. In reality, how far do you think your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) will go in school?

◆ Circle only one answer

- That he/she will leave before completing high school 1
That he/she will finish high school (general education) (SSD) 2
That he/she will do vocational training in high school (DVS) 3
That he/she will do technical training at the CEGEP level (junior college) (DCS) ... 4
That he/she will attends university 5

6. During the last school year, **have you attended activities** in which your child's (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) was involved at school (sports, dram, concert, etc.)?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

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never time times times times times times times times times times or
more

7. During the last school year, **have you participated** in a meeting about your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) **school progress** (meeting about grades, choice of courses, meeting with teachers, the administration, other school professionals such as a psychologist, remedial teacher, psychoeducator)?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

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more

8. During the last school year, **have you participated** in **general meetings** for parents that **were not** specifically about your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) (parents' committee, general information sessions)?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
never time times times times times times times times times times or
more



9. Since September , how often do you...	Never	Seldom	Some- times	Often	Very often
a) ... ask your child how things are going at school?	1	2	3	4	5
b) ... ask your child if he/she has done his/her schoolwork (homework or studying)?	1	2	3	4	5
c) ... ask your child questions about how he/she is doing at school (tests, assignments, grades, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5
d) ... congratulate your child for his/her accomplishments at school (test results, assignments, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5
e) ... commend your child for his/her effort at school (test results, assignments, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5
f) ... help your child with homework or an assignment (help find information, prepare material for a presentation, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5
g) ... help you child get ready (review, popquiz) for a test or exam?	1	2	3	4	5
h) ... help your child when he/she doesn't understand something about his/her schoolwork (e.g. help understand the instructions for an assignment, the meaning of a text, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5

First Name – Child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)

Section 3

About the relationship with your child...

The next questions focus more on your relationship with your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)...

10. How often... ♦ Circle only one answer to each statement	Never	Seldom	Some-times	Often	Very often
a) ... does your child talk to you about his/her personal affairs, his/her feelings?	1	2	3	4	5
b) ... do you talk to your child about his/her plans for future (education, career, family, etc.)?	1	2	3	4	5
c) ... is the time you spend with your child pleasant?	1	2	3	4	5
d) ... do you ever punish your child?	1	2	3	4	5
e) ... do you ever argue with your child about school?	1	2	3	4	5
f) ... does your child talk to you about what he/she does outside of school ?	1	2	3	4	5
g) ... do you ever argue with your child about his/her friends (acquaintances)?	1	2	3	4	5
h) ... does your child talk to you about what happens to him/her at school?	1	2	3	4	5
i) ... do you know where your child is when he/she is not at home?	1	2	3	4	5
j) ... do you know with whom your child is with when he/she is not at home?	1	2	3	4	5

11. How many of his/her close friends do you know by sight and by first and last name?

♦ Circle only one answer

- All1
Most2
About half3
Only a few4
None5
Not applicable (no friends)6

12. How often does he/she hang around with kids you think are frequently in trouble?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

Often1
Sometimes2
Rarely3
Never4

13. When your child goes out with friends, do you ask where they are going and what they are going to do?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

Always1
Sometimes2
Rarely3
Never4

14. If your child wants to go out with friends late at night during the week, should he/she ask your permission?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

Always1
Sometimes2
Rarely3
Never4

15. If your child wants to go out with friends late at night during the week, how likely is it that he/she gets your permission (for things other than schoolwork)?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

It is out of the question1
Unlikely2
Likely3
Very likely4

First Name – Child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS)

Section 4

About activities...

The next few questions are about the time your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) spends with you, including times when others are present.

16. How many days a week do you and your child...
♦ Circle only one answer to each statement

Every day	Days per week			Days per month	Rarely or never
	5 or 6	3 or 4	1 or 2	1 or 2	

a) ... eat together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
b) ... play sports together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
c) ... play cards or games together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
d) ... talk about things together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
e) ... do a project or chores together?	1	2	3	4	5	6
f) ... go on a outing together?	1	2	3	4	5	6

17. How many minutes per day do you spend reading for your own interest (not counting time spent reading with your children)?

Hardly any1
2-15 minutes2
16-30 minutes3
31-60 minutes4
More than an hour.....5

18. How much do you enjoy reading?

Not at all1
Some2
Moderately3
Very much4

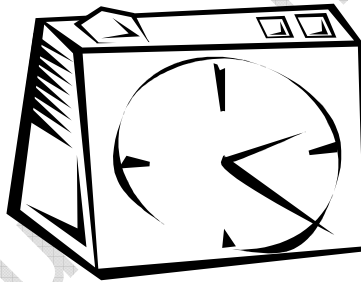
Section 5

About the pace of your day-to-day life...

For each statement, please circle the number that best describes how you felt in general, **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**.

19. **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS...**
♦ Circle only one answer to each statement

	Always	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
a) I felt that I had to rush to get everything done each day.	1	2	3	4	5
b) By the time supper time arrived, I was physically exhausted.	1	2	3	4	5
c) I felt that I had enough time for myself.	1	2	3	4	5



Section 6

About situations of conflict...

The following questions may appear difficult to answer, however, they refer to situations that could happen to anyone. We are interested in your personal experience.

20. Has a spouse/partner or someone important to you ever emotionally or physically abused you?

♦ **Circle "1" for Yes or "2" for No**

Yes..... 1

No..... 2

21. **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, have you been hit, slapped, kicked or otherwise physically hurt by someone?

♦ **Circle "1" for Yes or "2" for No**

Yes 1

No 2 → **Go to question 23**

22. By whom were you hurt?

♦ **Circle all answers that apply**

Spouse/partner..... 1

Ex-spouse/ex-partner..... 2

Girlfriend 3

Other 4

Specify: _____

23. **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, how many times did your partner (or ex-partner) insult you or swear at you when there was a problem?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

- Once..... 1
- Twice..... 2
- 3 to 5 times..... 3
- 6 to 10 times 4
- 11 to 20 times 5
- More than 20 times 6
- Never 7

24. **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, how many times did your partner (or ex-partner) either leave the room angry or stomp out of the house when experiencing a problem with you?

◆ **Circle only one answer**

- Once..... 1
- Twice..... 2
- 3 to 5 times..... 3
- 6 to 10 times 4
- 11 to 20 times 5
- More than 20 times 6
- Never 7

Section 7

About your lifestyle habits...

The next questions are about cigarette smoking, alcohol and drug consumption. Your answers will remain strictly confidential.

25. **AT THE PRESENT TIME**, do you smoke cigarettes daily, occasionally or not at all?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

Daily.....1

Occasionally2

Not at all.....3

} **Go to question 27**

26. How many cigarettes do you smoke each day **NOW**?

Number of cigarettes per day: _____

27. **DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, how often did you drink beer, wine, liquor or any other alcoholic beverage?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

Every day.....1

4-6 times a week2

2-3 times a week3

Once a week.....4

2-3 times a month5

Once a month.....6

Less than once a month7

Never8

→ **Go to question 29**

28. How many times **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, have you had **5** or more drinks on one occasion?

♦ **Write down "0" if none**

Number of times: _____

29. **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, have you used drugs (such as marijuana, cocaine, psychedelics, etc.) and/or medication **WITHOUT** a prescription or doctor's orders: tranquilizers, sedatives, barbiturates, downers, sleeping pills like Seconal, Qaaludes, pills for your nerves like Valium, Librium, Ativan?

♦ **Circle "1" for Yes or "2" for No**

Yes.....1

No.....2 → **Go to section 8**

30. **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**, how many times have you used these drugs and/or medications?

Number of times: _____

31. Which drugs and/or medication **WITHOUT** a prescription did you use **IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS**?

♦ **Circle more than one if applicable**

Marijuana, hashish, pot, grass 1

Cocaine, crack, free base 2

Amphetamines, stimulants, speed 3

Heroin, opiates like codeine, demerol, morphine, methadone, darvon,
opium 4

Psychedelics like LSD, mescaline, peyote, psilocybin, DMT, PCP 5

The following **non prescription** drugs: barbiturates, sedatives,
downers, sleeping pills like Seconal, Qaaludes, tranquilizers, pills for
your nerves like Valium, Librium, Ativan (*no prescription*) 6

Section 8

About your conjugal situation...

32. Which of the following best describes your current conjugal situation?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

I live with the child's biological mother and I am the biological father 1

I am the spouse/partner of the child's biological mother and we live together 2

I live with a spouse/partner who is not my child's biological mother 3

I have a spouse/partner who is not my child's biological mother but we don't live together 4

I don't live with my child's biological mother and I don't have a spouse/partner presently 5 → **Go to section 9**

Other 6
→ Specify: _____

33. Most persons have disagreements in their relationships. Please indicate below the approximate extent of agreement or disagreement between you and your spouse/partner about demonstration of affection?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

Always agree 1

Almost always agree 2

Occasionally agree 3

Frequently disagree 4

Almost always disagree 5

Always disagree 6

34. How often do you discuss or have you considered divorce, separation, or terminating your relationship?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- All the time 1
Most of the time..... 2
More often than not..... 3
Occasionally 4
Rarely 5
Never 6

35. In general, how often do you think that things between you and your spouse/partner are going well?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- All the time 1
Most of the time..... 2
More often than not..... 3
Occasionally 4
Rarely 5
Never 6

36. Do you confide in your mate?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- All the time 1
Most of the time..... 2
More often than not..... 3
Occasionally 4
Rarely 5
Never 6

37. Do you ever regret that you married (or lived together) or that you are in this relationship?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- All the time 1
Most of the time..... 2
More often than not..... 3
Occasionally 4
Rarely 5
Never 6

Generally...

<p>38. How often would you say the following events occur between you and your mate? ♦ Circle only one answer to each statement</p>	Never	Less than once in a month	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Once a day	More often
a) Calmly discuss something?	1	2	3	4	5	6
b) Work together on a project or common activity?	1	2	3	4	5	6

39. The numbers below correspond to the different degrees of happiness in your couple relationship. Number 4, "happy", corresponds to the level of happiness found in most relationships. Circle the number that corresponds best to your relationship.

♦ **Circle only one answer**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Extremely unhappy	Quite unhappy	A little unhappy	Happy	Very happy	Extremely happy	Perfectly happy

Section 9

About the family climate...

The following statements are about the family you are currently living with.

40. For each one, please indicate which response best describes your family: strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree.

♦ **Circle only one answer to each statement**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
a) Individuals (in the family) are accepted for what they are.	1	2	3	4
b) We express feelings to each other.	1	2	3	4
c) There are lots of bad feelings in our family.	1	2	3	4
d) We feel accepted for what we are.	1	2	3	4
e) We are able to make decisions about how to solve problems.	1	2	3	4
f) We don't get along well together.	1	2	3	4
g) We confide in each other.	1	2	3	4



Section 10

About different aspects of your well-being...

The following is a set of statements that describe feelings or behaviours. Please tell us how often you felt or behaved this way **DURING THE PAST WEEK**.

41. How often you felt or behaved this way DURING THE PAST WEEK: ♦ Circle only one answer to each statement	Rarely or none of the time (less than 1 day)	Sometimes or a little of the time (1 to 2 days)	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time (3 to 4 days)	Most or all of the time (5 to 7 days)
a) I did not feel like eating; my appetite was poor.	1	2	3	4
b) I felt that I could not shake off the blues even with help from my family or friends.	1	2	3	4
c) I had trouble keeping my mind on what I was doing.	1	2	3	4
d) I felt depressed.	1	2	3	4
e) I felt that everything I did was an effort.	1	2	3	4
f) I felt hopeful about the future.	1	2	3	4
g) My sleep was restless.	1	2	3	4
h) I was happy.	1	2	3	4
i) I felt lonely.	1	2	3	4
j) I enjoyed life.	1	2	3	4
k) I had crying spells.	1	2	3	4
l) I felt that people disliked me.	1	2	3	4

Dear respondent...

If you are not living with THE BIOLOGICAL MOTHER of your child of ABOUT 13 YEARS, please FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING SECTION (Section 11).

If, however, you are living with THE BIOLOGICAL MOTHER of your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) please GO DIRECTLY TO THE LAST PAGE OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE to share your comments with us, if any.

ATTENTION:

If the biological mother of your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) is deceased, please GO DIRECTLY TO THE LAST PAGE OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE to share your comments with us, if any.



Section 11

About your relationship with the biological mother and her contact with your child...

The following questions refer to the contact you have with your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) and your relationship with his/her biological mother **who does not live with you**, either because you never lived with her or because you are separated or divorced.

42. If you have separated from the biological mother of your child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) **since the last time you participated**, how would you describe the emotional atmosphere surrounding this separation?

- ♦ **If separation occurred before the last interview, circle "5" I was already separated at the time of my last participation**
- ♦ **Circle only one answer**

I was already separated at the time of my last participation 5

Good 1

Fairly good 2

Bad 3

Very bad 4

I never maintained an ongoing relationship with the biological mother 6

43. Are you still in touch with the biological mother of your child?

- ♦ **Circle "1" for Yes or "2" for No**

Yes 1

No 2 → **Go to question 45**

44. How would you describe the **current** situation between you and the biological mother of your child (of ABOUT 13 years)?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- Good..... 1
 Fairly good 2
 Bad 3
 Very bad 4

45. How satisfied/unsatisfied are you with...

♦ **Circle only one answer**

Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat unsatisfied	Very unsatisfied
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a)... the frequency of the contact you have (example: telephone calls, visits or custody arrangements) with your child (of ABOUT 13 years)?

1 2 3 4

b)... the quality of your relationship with your child?

1 2 3 4

46. How much contact does the biological mother have with her child (of ABOUT 13 YEARS) (example: phone calls, visits, child custody, etc.)?

♦ **Circle only one answer**

- Never 1
 Every day 2
 Several times a week 3
 Several times a month 4
 Occasionally 5

Your comments

Kindly indicate your comments in the space below. Your feedback is appreciated.

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Please complete your questionnaire, place it in the enclosed envelope and give it back to the interviewer or forward it by mail as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation!