



Dialogues in Democracy: Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

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NATIONAL SELF ADMINISTERED REGISTRATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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4. If a one (1) represents the view that the government is trying to do too many things that should be left to individuals and businesses and a seven (7) represents the view that the government is not doing enough to solve our country's problems, where would you place yourself on this scale?

Government doing too much		Government not doing enough	Don't know
1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8

5. Some people think the government should promote traditional values in our society. Others think the government should not favor any particular set of values. Which comes closer to your own view? (Please circle one)

- A. Government should promote traditional values
- B. Government should not favor any set of values
- C. No opinion

On a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is completely unimportant, 10 is extremely important, and 5 is exactly in between, how important do you think each of the following is to being a good citizen? If you have an opinion, please circle 11.

6. Voting in elections

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know
0	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11

7. Discussing politics with others

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know
0	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11

8. Being informed about politics and political issues

Completely unimportant		Exactly in between		Extremely important	Don't know
0	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11

9. Serving one's country through military or other public service

Completely unimportant	Exactly in between	Extremely important	Don't know								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

10. Actively participating as a member of a civic, political or community organization

Completely unimportant	Exactly in between	Extremely important	Don't know								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

11. How much influence do you think someone like you can have over local government decisions?
(Please circle one)

- A. A lot
- B. Some
- C. Very little
- D. None at all

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4. Several companies have responded to the City of Houston's Voluntary Benzene Reduction Plan.
- A. True
 - B. False
 - C. Don't know

Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statement.

5. I believe the issue of air toxics and their impact on health is an important issue in the Houston area.

Strongly								Strongly	Don't
Disagree								Agree	Know
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		

6. Who should have the primary responsibility for reducing the levels of air toxics in our air? (Please circle one of the following.)

- A. State government
- B. Local government
- C. Businesses/corporations
- D. Individuals
- E. None of the above
- F. Don't know

Again, using the scale below, where 1 stands for strongly disagree and 7 stands for strongly agree, please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. If you don't know, please circle 8.

7. I believe government intervention in this issue will hurt our local economy.

Strongly								Strongly	Don't
Disagree								Agree	Know
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		

8. I believe the best option for dealing with this issue is: (please circle one below)

- A. Work with companies to reduce their emissions on a voluntary basis
- B. Encourage the state to adopt and enforce stricter standards
- C. Allow the City of Houston to sue violators

9. How much influence do you think you, as an individual, can have on the issue of air quality in Houston?
- A. A lot
 - B. Some
 - C. Very little
 - D. None at all

9. How often do you think about the levels of air toxics in our air?
- A. A lot
 - B. Some
 - C. Very little
 - D. None at all

The following questions are for statistical purposes only. Your answers will not be shared with anyone.

10. Please tell us your race/ethnicity.

- A. African American
- B. Asian
- C. Non-Hispanic White
- D. Hispanic
- E. Native American
- F. Other

11. What year were you born? 19_____

12. What is your gender?

- A. Female
- B. Male

13. What is the highest level of education you have had the opportunity to complete?

- A. Less than high school
- B. Some high school
- C. High school graduate/GED
- D. Some college
- E. College graduate
- F. Graduate school
- G. Technical/trade school