

NLTS2 Wave 4 Abbreviated Questionnaire

Note: This instrument was programmed; therefore, notes to interviewer do not apply.

Notes for Interviewer

1. For readability, all instructional text or text not to be read aloud will be shaded rather than displayed in capital letters.

Example of highlighted instructional text

2. Note on a separate sheet if youth reports that he or she is in or out of secondary school. This will be used for skips in multiple places in the questionnaire.

3. Questions limited to youth who are out of secondary are marked:

Ask question if youth is out of secondary school

4. Circle one code unless otherwise instructed
5. Do NOT read categories unless instructed to do so.

The script below will be replaced by the informed consent screens in the CATI. This script will not be programmed.

Introductory Script

Introduction:

Hello, my name is _____. I'm calling on behalf of the Dept. of Education about the NLTS2 research study. I understand that you do not wish to participate at this time; however, since we're nearing the end of our data collection, we've developed a shorter version of the interview that can be completed in under 10 minutes. To show our appreciation, we are still offering \$20.00 for this much shorter series of questions. Why don't we get started...

RFA6a. I'd like to ask you some questions about [Youth's] experiences in the past year or two. Where does [Youth] live now?

If asked, we mean the place youth usually spends at least 5 nights a week. Do not read categories unless needed.

Probe for: what type of place is that?

Code all that apply. Do NOT read categories.

With [his/her] parents	1
With [his/her] legal guardian	2
With a relative/an adult family member other than a spouse or parent.	3
In foster care	4
On his/her own/alone	5
With a spouse or roommate	6
In a residential or boarding school other than a college	7
In a college dormitory or other college housing	8
In military housing	9
In a group home, other assisted living center, or supervised apartment	10
In a hospital, medical facility, convalescent hospital, or institution for persons with disabilities	11
In a mental health facility	12
In a correctional facility/youth detention center	13
Transient, homeless, on the street, in their car	14
Job corps/job training program/on the job housing	16
Other, specify _____	15
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RF D1a. Was [Youth] enrolled in an elementary, middle, junior or senior high school this past (i.e.2006/2007) school year?

If asked: that could include instruction elsewhere such as in a hospital, correctional facility or home school.

<i>Continue with next question</i>	Yes	1
<i>Make note that youth is out of secondary school and</i>	No	2
	Don't know	-1
<i>Go to D1k</i>	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth has been enrolled in elementary, middle, or high school (D1a = yes); else go to D1k

RFD1j. Is [he/she] in an elementary, middle, junior, or senior high school now?

<i>GO TO D1r</i>	Yes	1
<i>Make note that youth is out of secondary school and</i>	No	2
<i>Continue with next question</i>		
<i>GO TO D1r</i>	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or D1j = No), else go to D1r

RFD1k. Is [he/she] not in elementary, middle, junior or senior high school now because [he/she] ...

Read categories 1-3, if respondent says yes to 1, 2 or 3 do not continue to read 4-8. If respondent does not answer yes to 1-3, continue and read categories 4-8.

Make note that youth is still in high school Go to D1r	Is on school vacation	1
	Graduated	2
Continue to next question	Took a test and received a diploma or a certificate without taking all of his/her high school classes	3
	Ask if no "yes" responses to 1-3	
Go to D3a	Dropped out or just stopped going	4
	Was suspended (<i>Temporary</i>)	5
	Was expelled (<i>Permanent</i>)	6
	Was older than the school age limit, or	7
	Some other reason. (<i>Specify</i>) _____ _____	8
Go to D3a	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth graduated or took a test for a diploma (D1k = 2 or 3); else go to D3a

RFD1l. Did [he/she] receive a regular high school diploma, a certificate of completion, or something else?

Do NOT read categories

Diploma	1
Certificate	2
Something else	3
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask question if youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or (D1j = No/DK/Ref and D1k ne 1)); else go to D1r

RFD3a. When did [Youth] leave high school?

Probe if needed: Was it last school year (2006-2007), the previous school year (2005-2006), or was it before that?]

Do NOT read categories

<i>Continue to next question</i>	Last school year (2006-2007)	1
	Previous school year (2005-2006)	2
	Before that (earlier than 2004-2005 but school year not specified)	3
	2004-2005	4
	2003-2004	5
	2002-2003	6
	2001-2002	7
	2000-2001	8
<i>SKIP TO D4a</i>	Never in school	9
<i>Continue to next question</i>	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask next 2 questions if youth had ever been in school (D3a ne 9); else go to D4a

RFD1r. [If youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or (D1j = No/DK/Ref and D1k ne 1)), ask:

What was the full name of the school [Youth] was enrolled in last year?]

[Else (youth is in secondary school), ask:

What is the full name of [YOUTH's] school?]

Notes: If [youth] has been enrolled in more than one school this school year, we want most recent or current enrollment.

Probe for full name of school

This school should be an elementary, middle, junior or senior high, not a college or postsec voc tech school

Name of school

Or

Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFD1s. Where is that located?

If street address unavailable, get city/state; do not probe for full street address

Street address/location

City/State

Or

Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask next questions if youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or (D1j = No/DK/Ref and D1k ne 1)); else go to I4

RFD4a. Since high school has [Youth] gone to a [postsecondary school in 1-3]?

If D4a[1-3] is yes: Go to column Aa

If D4a[1-3] is no/dk/ref: Go to next postsecondary school until all rows are read

RFD4Aa. In the past 2 years, has [he/she] gone to a [postsecondary school]?

If D4Aa[1-3] is yes: Go to Column B

If D4Aa[1-3] is no/dk/ref: Go to Column C

RFD4b. Is [he/she] going to a [type of postsec] now?

If D4b[1-3] is yes: Go to next postsecondary school until all are read

If D4b[1-3] is no/dk/ref: Go to Column C

RFD4c. Has [he/she] gotten a diploma, certificate, or license from [postsec school]?

Go to next postsecondary school until all rows are read

		A. Since high school has [Youth] gone to a [type of postsec in 1-3]				Aa. If yes to A: In the past 2 years, has [he/she] gone to a [type of postsec]?			
		Yes	No	Dk	Ref	Yes	No	Dk	Ref
1.	Two year or community college	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2
2.	Beyond high school level vocational, business or technical school	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2
3.	A four year college	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2

		B. If yes to Aa: Is [he/she] going to a [type of postsec] now?				C. If no to Aa or B: Has [he/she] gotten a diploma, certificate, or license from [postsec school]?			
		Yes	No	Dk	Ref	Yes	No	Dk	Ref
1.	Two year or community college	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2
2.	Beyond high school level vocational, business or technical school	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2
3.	A four year college	1	2	-1	-2	1	2	-1	-2

Ask next question if youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or (D1j = No/DK/Ref and D1k ne 1)); else go to I4

RFF14ap. Since high school, has [Youth] received any services or help (other than from family members or friends)?

[IF YES] What services has [Youth] received?

If asked, this could include services from agencies, schools, therapists, health care providers, or other professionals. types of services could include help in finding a job, training in or help with things like managing money or cooking, mental health services, counseling, etc. (note: see specific services in f14a for these and other types of services)

Yes (specify)	
_____	1

No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

My next few questions are about what [Youth] does in his/her spare time.

Ask all respondents next questions

RFI4. Has [Youth] taken part in any group activities, such as scouting, church or temple youth group, or non-school team sports like soccer or softball?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFJ15a1. My next question is about involvement with police and courts. Has [Youth] ever been arrested?

<i>Continue to next question</i>	Yes	1
<i>Go to L6a1</i>	No	2
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth has been arrested (J15a1 = yes); else go to L6a1

RFJ15a2. Has [Youth] been arrested in the past 2 years?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

My next few questions are about employment.

Ask question if youth is out of secondary school (D1a = No/DK/Ref or (D1j = No/DK/Ref and D1k ne 1)), else go to I2a

RFL6a1. At any time since high school did [Youth] do any work for pay, other than work around the house?

<i>Continue to next question</i>	Yes	1
<i>Go to I2a</i>	No	2
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth had a job since high school (L6a1 = 1); else go to I2a

RFL14a1. Has [Youth] been fired from any job anytime since high school?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask all respondents next question

RF12a. Could you tell me, did [Youth] have a job in the last 2 years?

Continue to next question	Yes	1
Go to M2	No	2
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask next 3 questions if youth had a job in the last 2 years (I2a = yes); else go to M2

RF12b. Does he/she have a paid job now?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RF13a. About how much [is/was] [Youth] paid at this job per hour?

Probe: if doesn't know per hour, enter amount and time.

If asked, we want pay before taxes or deductions.

Enter number and code one.

Pay Per	Hour	1
	Week	2
	Month	3
	Year	4
Or	Minimum wage	0
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

RF13b. About how many hours per week [does/did] [Youth] usually work at this job

_____ hours/week or	
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask all respondents next 2 questions

RFM2. Is [Youth] ...

Read categories 1-5 only.

Read categories	
Engaged;	1
Single, never married,	2
Married, or	3
In a marriage-like relationship?	4
Divorced	5
Do NOT read categories below	
Separated	6
Widowed	7
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFM4a1. Has [Youth] ever [IF MALE: fathered, ELSE: had] any children?

Continue to next question	Yes	1
	No	2
Go to I1a	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth had a child (M4a1 = yes); else go to I1a

RFM4a2. Has [Youth] [IF MALE: fathered, ELSE: had] any children in the last 2 years?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask all respondents next question

RF1a. Do you think that [*Youth*] would be able to answer these kinds of questions over the telephone?

Do NOT read categories

<i>Go to I5a</i>	Yes	1
<i>Continue with next question</i>	No	2
<i>Go to I5a</i>	Parent does not want youth to be contacted	3
<i>Continue with next question</i>	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Ask question if youth cannot answer question by phone (I1a = no/DK/ref); else go to I5a

RF1c1. For a future wave, do you think that [*Youth*] would be able to accurately answer these kinds of questions using a written questionnaire?

Yes	1
No	2
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Ask all respondents next 2 questions

RF15a. We have just a few contacting questions then we will be done. First, may I please have your full name and address so that we can send you the \$20 check?

<i>Collect info, then continue with next question</i>	Yes	1
<i>Go to I5c</i>	No	2
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2

Respondent Name

_____ *I5a_First*

_____ *I5a_Last*

Respondent address

_____ *I5a_Addr1*

_____ *I5a_Addr2*

_____ *I5a_City*

_____ *I5a_State*

_____ *I5a_Zip*

RFI5b. Is this the same name and address that we should use to mail you the \$20 thank you check?

Do NOT read categories

<i>Go to I5d</i>	Yes	1
<i>Continue to next question</i>	NO	2
<i>GO TO I5d</i>	Respondent declines incentive	3

Ask question if different address for check, (I5b =2); else go to I5d

RFI5c. Can you please give me the name and address we should use to mail the \$20 thank you check?

<i>Collect information, then continue to next question</i>	Yes	1
<i>Continue to next question</i>	No	2
	Don't know	-1
	Refused	-2
	Respondent declines incentive	3

Name for check

I5c_First

I5c_Last

Address for check

I5c_Addr1

I5c_Addr2

I5c_City

I5c_State

I5c_Zip

RF15d. What is your e-mail address?

Enter e-mail address or code.

Email Address

Or

Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

Youth Tracing Questions

Collect youth information if youth can answer questions by phone or written (I1a or I1c1 = yes); else go to I7a.

RF112b. What is the address where I am most likely to reach [Youth]?

Address:

_____ I12b_Addr1

_____ I12b_Addr2

_____ I12b_City

_____ I12b_State

_____ I12b_Zip

Or

Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RF112b_p. What is the phone number?

If youth has no home phone number, probe for another number where [he/she] could be reached, such as a work number or a friend's number.

Record phone number.

Code if work or other number; code 6 if youth cannot answer questions by phone. Do NOT read categories

_____ I12b_Phone

Home	1
work phone number	2
friend's phone number	3
not applicable, no phone	4
other, specify _____	5
Not applicable, cannot answer questions by phone	6
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFI12c2. Does [he/she] have an email address? What is [his/her] email address?

Record email address or enter code.

_____ *e-mail address*

or

Not applicable, no e-mail	0
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

If the respondent seems to be doing OK with the interview, please ask the following contact information. If not, thank them and go to end of interview immediately.

RFI7a. Could you please tell me the name of someone who is likely to know where you are if you move?

Record name and address in 17b or indicate refusal.

<i>Go to end of interview</i>	DON'T KNOW	-1
	REFUSED	-2

RFI7b. What is their name and address?

Name:

_____ *17b_First*

_____ *17b_Last*

Address:

_____ *17b_Addr1*

_____ *17b_Addr2*

_____ *17b_City*

_____ *17b_State*

_____ *17b_Zip*

Or

Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFI7b_p. What is their phone number?

Record phone number or enter code.

I7b_Phone

Not applicable, no phone number	0
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

RFI7b_e. What is their e-mail address?

Record email address or enter code.

Email address

or

Not applicable, no e-mail	0
Don't know	-1
Refused	-2

End of interview

You should expect to receive your check in about 4 weeks. Thank you so much for your help in answering these questions.