

## Street Law Pre-Survey

Assigned Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Check one: Male\_\_Female\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

Race or ethnicity:

Please circle one answer for each of the following questions

1. I believe that
  - a. Laws greatly influence everyday life.
  - b. Laws have no influence on my life.
  - c. Laws have some influence on my life.
  
2. In which one of the following stories should the person be charged with a crime
  - a. Pete and his sister are hungry. There is no food in the house. Pete goes to the corner store and steals a loaf of bread, some baloney, and cheese.
  - b. Robert sells crack cocaine and uses the money to support his mother who receives public assistance and cannot work.
  - c. George was walking home one night after work. He sees a woman on the side of the road with a flat tire. He goes to help her and after he changes the tire, he takes her car keys and drives off in the car.
  
3. An attorney should always
  - a. do what he or she thinks is best for the client.
  - b. do what the client wants.
  - c. do what the person wants who is paying the lawyer.
  
4. Which statement is most correct?
  - a. Every person in the United States can vote on election day.
  - b. Only people who are citizens and are 18 years old can vote in the United States.
  - c. To vote in the United States who have to be over 21 and own property.
  
5. I believe laws are based on
  - a. what rich people want.
  - b. what society believes is important.
  - c. what people think is right and wrong.
  
6. Which of these acts is the most serious?
  - a. Tina, Dylan, and Jane know that the emergency door at the movie theatre is broken and sneak in to see the newest movie.
  - b. Maria gets caught with crack cocaine in her school locker.
  - c. Tony gets high at a party and then gets in his car to drive home. He hits a child on the way home.

7. I believe
  - a. A police officer can search you any time he wants.
  - b. A police officer must have a warrant to search you.
  - c. A police officer must have a good reason to stop you and search you.
  
8. The most important right someone can have
  - a. is to not have to go to school if they don't want to.
  - b. is the right to a fair trial.
  - c. is the right to have food to eat.
  
9. The first amendment protects my right to freedom of speech in this situation
  - a. My mom makes liver and onions for dinner, and I hate liver. I tell her it is disgusting and I won't eat it. She sends me to my room and takes away my cell phone for a week.
  - b. My friends and I stood outside the police station with linked arms to protest what we believe to be a wrongful arrest.
  - c. I write for the school paper and the principal removes my article about the drug problems we have at school.
  
10. Any citizen can change the law
  - a. By doing a letter writing campaign.
  - b. By voting for new representatives that will do what you want.
  - c. By taking a case to court.
  
11. Which statement do you think is true?
  - a. Everyone should have a lawyer if they need one.
  - b. You only need a lawyer if you are charged with a crime.
  - c. You can only get a lawyer to help you if you have money.
  
12. Which of these statements is true?
  - a. Rich people are more likely to be a victim of property crimes than poor people.
  - b. The juvenile courts are designed to rehabilitate youth.
  - c. Only adults are allowed to have attorneys.
  
13. Your friend Javier was hit by a drunk driver while he was on his way home from work. He is at home in a wheelchair and does not know if he will be able to walk again. Which person suffers the most from this act?
  - a. The drunk driver because he is going to jail.
  - b. Javier because he was hurt.
  - c. Javier's family because they will have to take care of him and pay the medical bills.

Free Response

What is the goal of our legal system?

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What is the Bill of Rights?

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What is the difference between prison and jail?

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What should you do if a police officer stops you?

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What are some of the inequalities that you see within the legal system?

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In your own words, please briefly define each of these terms

Civil Law	
Criminal Law	
Felony	
Misdemeanor	
Reasonable Suspicion	
Probable Cause	
Malice	
Negligence	
Duress	
Accomplice	