

**APPENDIX (VI)**

**JIM SCALE (MOTIVATION)  
STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE  
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**DIRECTIONS**

We are trying to find out how students think and feel about a number of important topics. In order to do this, we would like to ask you to answer some questions. This is not an intelligence test nor an information test. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers. The best and only correct answer is YOUR PERSONAL OPINION. Whatever your answer is, there will be many who agree and many who disagree. What we really want to know is HOW YOU FEEL about each statement.

Read each statement very carefully, and then indicate your agreement or disagreement by marking it, according to the following scale.

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| A. agree          | C. disagree           |
| B. strongly agree | D. strongly disagree. |

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1. Late afternoon is the best time of day.
  2. Many children have often been punished without cause.
  3. Students should be made to go to school until they are 18 years old.

4. Being right is more important than being kind.
- \*5. School is more fun when teachers let students do things they want to.
- \*6. Pupils who try should get good grades even if they make mistakes.
- \*7. Successful people are those who make the most money.
8. The best way to spend a free evening is with a good book.
- \*9. Most young people do not want to go to school.
- \*10. Some new ideas are interesting, but most of them are not.
11. Practical people are usually highly respected.
- \*12. Knowing the answer is more important than knowing where to get the answer.
- \*13. Many young people feel grouchy.
- \*14. The best people refuse to depend on other persons.
15. Some teachers make school more interesting than others.
- \*16. A person's feeling on a topic are not as important as the facts.
17. There are more important things in the world than making money.
- \*18. It does not really help much to study about people from other lands.
- \*19. Life is mostly sorrow with just a little joy.
20. Some students have to study more than others.

- \*21. Many youngsters often want to run away from home.
- 22. Being a good speaker is just as important as being a good speller.
- \*23. Some teachers seem to enjoy making students suffer.
- \*24. Our whole trouble is that we won't let God help us.
- 25. Most people worry more before they take a test than during the test.
- \*26. No one seems to understand young people.
- 27. Learning to cooperate is more important than learning to compete.
- \*28. Most people would like school better if teachers did not give grades.
- \*29. The world we live in is a pretty lonesome place.
- \*30. Social progress can only be achieved by returning to our glorious past.
- \*31. It is very foolish to advocate government support of education.
- 32. Most people's hardest battles are with themselves.
- \*33. There is nothing new under the sun.
- 34. Helping other people is the key to happiness.
- \*35. Life seems to be one big struggle after another.
- \*36. Most people just don't give a "darn" for others.
- \*37. The best way to achieve security is for the government to guarantee jobs.

38. Some people do not appreciate the value of an education.
39. Most young people feel uncomfortable around someone of the opposite sex.
- \*40. Many new ideas are not worth the paper they are printed on.
41. Many teachers are not considerate of students feelings.
42. Teachers are generally underpaid.
43. Being unhealthy is worse than being unhappy.
- \*44. It is better to forget than to forgive.
45. Pupils who copy during an examination should fail the test.
- \*46. Young people should be free to follow their own desires.
47. Listening to a good speaker is the best way to learn.
- \*48. The present is all too often full of unhappiness.
49. Most people just don't know what is good for them.
50. Understanding yourself helps one understand others.
- \*51. People who dreams a lot at night are apt to be crazy.
- \*52. Familiarity breeds contempt, so one should never be too friendly.
- \*53. There is a real limit to man's intelligence.
- \*54. People who are insulted generally deserve to be.

- \*55. Experience may be a good teacher, but schools are better.
- 56. Wasting time is even worse than wasting money.
- \*57. People who are quick thinkers usually jump to conclusions.
- \*58. Most people do not have good ideas until they grow up.
- 59. When people are unhappy they should talk to someone about it.
- \*60. Looking good is just as important as being good.
- 61. The best part of education is that which people teach themselves.
- \*62. Famous people usually have a lot of money.
- \*63. Most people cannot learn from the experience of others.
- \*64. The dreamer is a danger to society.
- \*65. Most teachers like to drive students if they have the chance.
- 66. God helps those who help themselves.
- \*67. One can never desire too much of a thing.
- \*68. Being a liar is better than being a gossip.
- \*69. Asking questions usually gets you into trouble.
- \*70. Not many people in the world are really kind.
- 71. The biggest part of being successful is determination.

- \*72. Teachers know more and do less than most other people.
- \*73. Hope is really no better than worry.
- \*74. School is not all that it's cracked up to be.
- \*75. Everything that people do is either right or wrong.
- \*76. Quick thinking is always better than being polite.
- 77. The gentle person often treats himself severely.
- 78. Everybody ought to do something worthwhile everyday.
- \*79. We are never really as happy as we think we are.
- \*80. All those who fail have worked in vain.

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\* Items are scored for the present study.