

Appendix A

Questionnaire for Principals and Teachers

Hello I am conducting a study on sexism in lower level English language textbooks of standard VIII, IX, and X in vernacular medium schools in Vadodara city I would be interested to know your views regarding gender based discrimination and bias in schools I will read out questions that I would like you to answer I would be very grateful if you could spend some time answering these questions Everything you tell me will be kept strictly confidential Also, you are not obliged to answer any question you don't want to, and you may withdraw from the interview at any time May I continue?

Name _____
Name of the School. _____
Age _____
Sex _____
Educational Qualification _____
Subjects taught _____
Experience _____

1. Who should get more education?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their ability _____

Why?

2. Who should get more facilities at the school to study?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their need _____

Why?

3 Who should get more facilities at home to study?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their need _____

Why?

4. Who needs more attention at school?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why?

5. Who have more problem creating attitudes in the schools?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why do you say so?

6 Who have more problem solving attitudes in the schools?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why do you say so?

7 Who are found more co-operative in the school?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why do you say so?

8 Should girls get equal freedom as boys in the classroom?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know _____

Why do you think so?

9 On whom should teachers and principals have more control?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why do you think so?

10. Who should be given more responsibility in the school?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both, irrespective of sex _____

Why do you think so?

11 Who should be given more responsibility for **team work** in schools?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their ability _____

Why?

12. Who should be given more opportunities or chances in academic activities?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their ability _____

Why?

13. Who should be given more non-academic task in schools?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both _____

Why?

14. Who should be given more tasks in school co-curricular activities?

Boys _____ Girls _____ Both according to their ability _____

Why?

15. Who do you think is more competent in teaching?

A male teacher _____ A female teacher _____ Both _____

Why?

16. Who should be the principal of a school?

A male _____ A female _____ A capable person of either sex _____

Why?

17 Who is more competent in school administration?

A male _____ A female _____ A capable person of either sex _____

Why?

18 Do you think that male teachers are more biased towards students of a particular sex?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know

If yes, to which sex?

Boys _____ Girls _____

Why do you say so?

19. Do you think that female teachers are more biased towards students of a particular sex?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know

If yes, to which sex?

Boys _____ Girls _____

Why do you say so?

20. Do you consider sex bias as a major problem in our schools? How?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know

How

21. Do you think that gender bias prevails in our school education system?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know

22 Do you find the secondary English textbook is sex biased or neutral?

Sex biased _____ Neutral _____ Don't know

23. What can be done to overcome sexism in the secondary school teaching-learning process?

24 Would you like to attend some programmes to develop sex neutrality in the school?

Yes _____ No _____ Don't know

Thank you for your time and participation in this study!