

INTRODUCTION

The following pages include a copy of each version of each page of the three main questionnaires used in the 1977 National School Leavers Survey. Each questionnaire was produced in different versions - two each for *After Highers* and *After School* and three for the "non-qualified" questionnaire *After School ... What are you doing?* Some questions (notably those on examinations and on post-school destination) are included in all versions; other questions are included only in some versions.

The topics covered by the different versions of each questionnaire are summarised in diagrams placed before the pages from each questionnaire. The horizontal lines separate the different pages of the questionnaire, and the vertical lines separate the items included in different variations of each page. The numbers indicate the questionnaire versions in which each set of items is included.

Information contained in the package:

For each page:

the page number is marked at the top right hand corner

the version of the questionnaire in which the page is found is identified by a number at the top of the page. This number is the same as the value of the variable VERSION (E2).

the questionnaire can be inferred from the version

<u>Questionnaire</u>	<u>versions</u>
<i>After School ... What are you doing</i> (non-qualified)	1,2,3
<i>After School</i> (0 grade)	4,5
<i>After Highers</i>	6,7

The questionnaires are presented in the order shown above

variable names have been written in by hand near to the questionnaire items on which they are primarily based.

entry numbers are shown beside the variable names, to facilitate references to the Main Index and the Entries.

FIGURE 1: 1979 HIGHERS QUESTIONNAIRE:

Summary of page contents of 2 versions (6 and 7)

PAGE	VERSION/CONTENTS	
	6	7
1	instructions on answering	
2	school, leaving, travel, live away from home while at school, teachers' advice	
3	last year worthwhile, teachers help, punishment, truancy, left home, age, sex, staying now	
4	examination attempts and passes	
5	subjects started for highers, GCE attempts and passes, sixth year studies (SYS)	
6	Geography	Home Economics
7	subject choice, new subjects after S 3 non-examined subjects in S 4	
8	work experience or course while at school, part time job while at school, study methods	
9	goals at the end of S 5, attitude to SYS	
10	University Courses	Advanced FE and Colleges of Education
11	advice and sources of information on FE job intentions, apprenticeship, YOP	
12	applications to FE, why FE, preference order	
13	1st choice of institution, and why advice and sources of information about this choice	
14	employment and unemployment, further and higher education	
15	present job and training, attitudes to changing job, retraining and moving	
16	family, parents; - education and occupations	

FIGURE 2: 1978 O GRADE QUESTIONNAIRE:

Summary of page contents of 2 versions (4 and 5)

PAGE	VERSION/CONTENTS	
	4	5
2	when and why left school live away from home while at school	when left school, travel, last year at school: worthwhile; treatment; enjoy wish stayed on
3	last year worthwhile, wish left earlier teachers help, school size, truancy, age, sex	punishment
4	examination attempts and passes	
5	attitudes to O-Grades subjects started for O-Grade	study methods teachers advice
6	geography	home economics
7	help in subject choice, now staying time spent on O-Grades, non-examined subjects in S 4	
8	advice and sources of information on jobs or FE, part-time job, or course at school, job arranged before left school, apprenticeship, job most like to have	
9	further education	sources of information on FE
10	YOP unemployment, further education	
11	occupation, training, views on job, travelling	
12	family, parents, occupation and education	

FIGURE 3: 1979 NON-QUALIFIED QUESTIONNAIRE

Summary of page contents of 3 versions (1, 2 and 3)

PAGE	VERSION/CONTENTS		
	1	2	3
1	belt teachers help	more time at 3 R's	experience in class during last 2 years at school
	school worthwhile, truancy, leaving		
2	subjects in last 2 years useful, O-Grade or CSE at school, course or job while at school,	subjects in last 2 years: most difficult; O-Grade while at school	school work: difficult; useful; teachers help O-Grade or CSE at school job while at school
3	ways to find job, how difficult to find job,	people who helped job search, apprenticeship, part-time job or work-experience at school	careers office or Job Centre in job search more help in job search
		left home,	
	what doing last October		
4	job fixed before leaving school, occupation, training, why left 1st job, occupation now		
5	doing now, job most like to have, schemes since left school, YOP,		
6	family, parents education, occupation, post-school education		

