

## APPENDIX - G

## TEST ON INTEREST IN INQUIRY (Final Form)

Name:

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Following is a list of eighteen situations followed by three choices. These choices reflect your interest in these situations. Please read them carefully and express your interest by choosing one of the three choices by encircling it. If your choice is 'a', you encircle the choice like this (a) .

This is not an examination. There are no right or wrong choices to these situations. This is simply a study of your interest in inquiry. People differ in their interest in inquiry. Therefore, please indicate your own interest. You may begin now. There is no time limit.

1. Your father comes back from his office regularly at 5.00 P.M. but one day he does not reach home on time. Would you then like to:
  - a. wait till your father comes back from the Office?
  - b. think that something might have happened to him but you can not do anything about it?
  - c. think that something might have happened to to your father and that you must do something to find out your father?

2. One of your villagers dies of a mysterious disease. You are shocked by it. In this case:
  - a. You believe that taking tobacco may be a cause for his death or that the death may be due to his poor health.
  - b. You are certain that his bad habit of taking tobacco has caused the disease.
  - c. You believe that the disease might be due to bad effect of taking tobacco.
3. One evening you find that your pet dog is lying dead at the back of your house and there are injuries on its head. You think that it could be Raghu, your next neighbour who had a rivalry with you might have killed the dog. In this case:
  - a. You would ask the neighbour if they have seen the dog being beaten by Raghu.
  - b. You would ask Raghu about the killing of the dog.
  - c. You would ask everybody in the village whether they have seen the dog being beaten by Raghu.
4. Suppose, your house catches fire. When the incident is over, would you like to:
  - a. think that fire has destroyed many things in your house and that you should find out the reasons for the same?
  - b. think that the fire is occurring regularly in the locality and you should not bother about your house being destroyed by fire?
  - c. take it as a curse of God?
5. When you come back to your classroom after lunch and search your bag, you find that your science book is missing from your bag. You believe that it could be

Madhu who sits just behind you might have taken the book.

In this event:

- a. You would ask your intimate friends whether they have seen Madhu stealing your book.
  - b. You would ask all your class mates whether they have seen Madhu stealing your book.
  - c. You would ask Madhu whether he has taken the book.
6. You see your friend crying on his way to school. You are moved by his crying. What do you like to do in this case?
- a. You believe that he might have not done his homework or something might have hurt him very badly.
  - b. You know that he has not done the homework.
  - c. You believe that he might have not done the homework.
7. Suppose, your umbrella is missing from your house. You think that the servant of the house might have taken the umbrella. In this case:
- a. you would ask your brother whether he had seen the servant stealing the umbrella.
  - b. you would ask everyone in the family whether they had seen the servant stealing the umbrella.
  - c. you would ask the servant whether he had stolen the umbrella.
8. Once you with your classmate and teacher went on a picnic party. When the picnic was over, it is found that one of your classmates is not present in the group. In this case:
- a. You would like to think that your friend would come after sometime.
  - b. you would like to think that your friend might have have come across problems but the group should not be worried.

- c. you would like to think that your friend must have faced some problems and you should quicken up your action to find out your friend.
9. Arun, who is your close friend has not been coming to school for the past few days. What do you like to think then?
- a. you believe that he may be suffering from fever.
  - b. Even if you believe that fever may be a cause for his not coming to school, you believe in other possible causes too.
  - c. You are sure that he is suffering from fever.
10. Suppose, thieves come to your house and take away many articles. In this case:
- a. you take it as a problem for you in your house and you think about different ways to trace out the thieves.
  - b. you take it seriously, but you cannot stop it unless the neighbours do something for it.
  - c. you prefer to remain silent lest thieves may come again.
11. Suppose, you have taken a very beautiful picture drawn by you for the picture competition being held at Delhi. At the competition place, you discover that the picture is missing from your bag. You think Ajay, another participant in the competition who was asking you for the picture might have taken it. How do you like to verify your doubt?
- a. You would ask Ajay whether he has taken the picture from your bag.
  - b. You would ask your friends if they have seen Ajay taking out the picture from your bag.
  - c. You would ask every participant in the competition whether they have seen Ajay taking out the picture from your bag.

12. Suppose, you are member of your school cricket team. Once your school loses the match with another school team. In this event:
- a. you would find out the different factors which led to your team's defeat and rectify them in order to win the match.
  - b. you would scold the players for not being the winner in the match.
  - c. you would look at your team's drawbacks but you feel that your team should not think about the past.
13. You have gone to Railway Station to receive your uncle who is supposed to come from Bombay. When the train reaches the station you do not find your uncle. In this case:
- a. you would think that uncle might have cancelled the programme.
  - b. You are sure that uncle has cancelled the programme.
  - c. You would think that cancellation may be one cause of uncle's not coming but there might be some other reasons for it also.
14. Suppose, your Geometry box is stolen by somebody while you are away from the classroom. In this event:
- a. you would find the boy who has taken the Geometry box.
  - b. you would purchase a new Geometry box.
  - c. you would be cautious about your other articles lest they may also be stolen like the Geometry box.
15. On your birth day, your intimate friend does not come to participate in the function. You are very much worried about it. What do you like to think then?

- a. You think that he might have gone somewhere with his parents or his parents might have not allowed him to attend your birthday.
  - b. You are certain that he has gone somewhere with his parents.
  - c. You think that he might have gone somewhere with his parents.
16. You have hung a very good collection of stamps on the hostel wall. Once when you come back after attending classes you discover that your collection of stamps are not there on the wall. You believe that it could be Rahul who was asking you for some stamps might have taken it. You would like to:
- a. ask your room partners whether they have seen Rahul with your collection of stamps.
  - b. ask everybody in the hostel whether they have seen Rahul with your collection of stamps.
  - c. ask Rahul whether he has taken your collection of stamps.
17. One day you find that the window panes of your house have been broken by somebody. What do you like to think then?
- a. You are sure that Naresh who does not talk to you has broken the window panes.
  - b. You believe that Naresh who does not talk to you might have broken the window panes.
  - c. You believe that Naresh who does not talk to you might have broken the window panes or Mohan who is a wicked boy in your village might have done it.
18. Suppose, your cricket bat has been broken by somebody in the team. You think that Ravi who has enmity with you might have broken the bat. Would you then like to:

- a. ask Ravi whether he has broken your cricket bat?
- b. ask the wicket keeper who is your intimate friend whether he has seen Ravi breaking the bat?
- c. ask all the members of the cricket team whether they have seen Ravi breaking the Cricket bat?

**SCORING KEY :**

<u>Items</u>	<u>a</u>	<u>b</u>	<u>c</u>
1.	0	1	2
2.	2	0	1
3.	1	0	2
4.	2	1	0
5.	1	2	0
6.	2	0	1
7.	1	2	0
8.	0	1	2
9.	1	2	0
10.	2	1	0
11.	0	1	2
12.	2	0	1
13.	1	0	2
14.	2	0	1
15.	2	0	1
16.	1	2	0
17.	0	1	2
18.	0	1	2

Most interested = 2  
 Moderately interested = 1  
 Least interested = 0