

# Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory (AAPI-2.1\*)

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## Form A

\*Version 2.1 of the AAPI has updated and additional demographic items. No changes have been made to the 40 parenting items.

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### PLEASE PRINT:

1. Date Inventory was administered: \_\_\_\_\_ Person administering Inventory: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Last Name (or ID): \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

| Agency Name | City | State |
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5. Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

6. Gender:  
a. Male  
b. Female  
c. Transgender Man  
d. Transgender Woman  
e. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Race/Nationality:  
a. White  
b. Black  
c. Asian  
d. Hispanic  
e. Native American  
f. Pacific Islander  
g. Bi-racial  
h. Multi-racial  
i. Other  
  
Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Marital Status:  
a. Single  
b. Married  
c. Unmarried Partners  
d. Separated/Divorced  
e. Widow/Widower

9. Number of children you have: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Highest grade you completed:  
a. Grade School  
b. Middle School (grades 7 & 8)  
c. Some High School (grades 9 -11)  
d. High School Graduate  
e. Working on OR Completed GED  
f. Two Year Tech School  
g. Some College  
h. College Graduate  
i. Post Graduate or above

11. Current Employment-School status:  
a. Employed full-time  
b. Going to school full-time  
c. Employed part-time  
d. Going to school part-time  
e. Both going to school and working  
f. I am a stay at home Mom or Dad  
g. Currently unemployed and not going to school  
h. Retired  
i. Other

12. Annual Household Income (estimate):  
a. Under \$15,000  
b. \$15,001 to \$25,000  
c. \$25,001 to \$30,000  
d. \$30,001 to \$40,000  
e. \$40,001 to \$60,000  
f. Over \$60,000  
g. I don't know

13. Are/were you or your partner in the military?  
a. Yes, only me  
b. Yes, only my partner  
c. Yes, both of us  
d. No

14. As a child, did you experience any type of physical, emotional or sexual abuse by someone outside your family?  
a. Yes  
b. No

15. As a child, did you experience any type of physical, emotional or sexual abuse by someone inside your family?  
a. Yes  
b. No

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

There are 40 statements in this booklet. They are statements about parenting and raising children. You decide the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement by circling one of the responses.

**STRONGLY AGREE** – Circle **SA** if you strongly support the statement, or feel the statement is true most of all the time.

**AGREE** – Circle **A** if you support the statement, or feel this statement is true some of the time.

**STRONGLY DISAGREE** – Circle **SD** if you feel strongly against the statement, or feel the statement is not true.

**DISAGREE** – Circle **D** if you feel you cannot support the statement or that the statement is not true some of the time.

**UNCERTAIN** – Circle **U** only when it is impossible to decide on one of the other choices.

**When you are told to turn the page, begin with Number 1 and go on until you finish all the statements. In answering them, please keep these four points in mind:**

- 1. Respond to the statements truthfully. There is no advantage in giving an untrue response because you think it is the right thing to say. There really is no right or wrong answer – only your opinion.**
- 2. Respond to the statements as quickly as you can. Give the first natural response that comes to mind.**
- 3. Circle only one response for each statement.**
- 4. Although some statements may seem much like others, no two statements are exactly alike. Make sure you respond to every statement.**

**If there is anything you don't understand, please ask your questions now. If you come across a word you don't know while responding to a statement, ask the examiner for help.**

***PLEASE TURN THE PAGE AND BEGIN...***

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**Strongly Agree    Agree    Disagree    Strongly Disagree    Uncertain**

|  |    |   |   |    |   |
|--|----|---|---|----|---|
| 1. Children need to be allowed freedom to explore their world in safety.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 2. Time-out is an effective way to discipline children.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 3. Children who are one-year-old should be able to stay away from things that could harm them.                       | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 4. Strong-willed children must be taught to mind their parents.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 5. The sooner children learn to feed and dress themselves and use the toilet, the better off they will be as adults. | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 6. Spanking teaches children right from wrong.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 7. Babies need to learn how to be considerate of the needs of their mother.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 8. Strict discipline is the best way to raise children.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 9. Parents who nurture themselves make better parents.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 10. Children can learn good discipline without being spanked.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 11. Children have a responsibility to please their parents.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 12. Good children always obey their parents.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 13. In father's absence, the son needs to become the man of the house.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 14. A good spanking never hurt anyone.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 15. Parents need to push their children to do better.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 16. Children should keep their feelings to themselves.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 17. Children should be aware of ways to comfort their parents after a hard day's work.                               | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 18. Children learn respect through strict discipline.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 19. Hitting a child out of love is different than hitting a child out of anger.                                      | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 20. A good child sleeps through the night.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 21. Children should be potty trained when they are ready and not before.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |

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| 22. A certain amount of fear is necessary for children to respect their parents.              | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 23. Spanking teaches children it's alright to hit others.                                     | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 24. Children who feel secure often grow up expecting too much.                                | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 25. There is nothing worse than a strong-willed two-year-old.                                 | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 26. Sometimes spanking is the only thing that will work.                                      | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 27. Children who receive praise will think too much of themselves.                            | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 28. Children should do what they're told to do, when they're told to do it. It's that simple. | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 29. Children should be taught to obey their parents at all times.                             | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 30. Children should know what their parents need without being told.                          | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 31. Children should be responsible for the well-being of their parents.                       | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 32. It's OK to spank as a last resort.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 33. Parents should be able to confide in their children.                                      | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 34. Parents who encourage their children to talk to them only end up listening to complaints. | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 35. Children need discipline, not spanking.   | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 36. Letting a child sleep in the parents' bed every now and then is a bad idea.               | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 37. A good spanking lets children know parents mean business.                                 | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 38. A good child will comfort both parents after they have argued.                            | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 39. "Because I said so" is the only reason parents need to give.                              | SA | A | D | SD | U |
| 40. Children should be their parents' best friend.  | SA | A | D | SD | U |