DIMENSIONS OF DISCIPLINE QUESTIONNAIRE: ADULT RECALL FORM
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A. BACKGROUND

1. Your sex: 1. Male 2. Female

2. How old were you at your last birthday: _____ years old.

3. Do you have any children? Yes No
   If yes, please list the ages of the children:
   Girls: _______ / _______ / _______ / _______ / _______
   Boys: _______ / _______ / _______ / _______ / _______

4. How many siblings do you have?
   Biological siblings: _____ sisters _____ brothers
   Half siblings: _____ half-sisters _____ half-brothers
   Step siblings: _____ step-sisters _____ step-brothers
   Other children who grew up with you (specify relationship): __________________________
   _____ girls _____ boys

5. Your racial/ethnic identification:
   1. Asian
   2. African-American/Black
   3. Caucasian/White
   4. Native American/Pacific Islander
   5. Hispanic/Latino
   6. Other
   7. More than one race

6. What is your parents’ marital status? (circle a number to answer):
   1. Your biological parents are married to each other
   2. Your biological parents are not married but are currently together
   3. Your biological parents are separated or divorced
   4. Your biological parents never lived together
   5. One or both of your biological parents has died (____ Mother ____Father)

7. If separated, divorced, or never together, what is the marital status of your biological mother?
   1. Single
   2. Remarried
   3. Living with partner
   4. Widowed
   5. Other ______________

8. If separated, divorced, or never together, what is the marital status of your biological father?
   1. Single
   2. Remarried
   3. Living with partner
   4. Widowed
   5. Other ______________
• If you were raised exclusively by your biological parents, you should answer the following questions about them.
• If you were raised by someone in addition to your biological parents, you should answer for the mother-figure and father-figure that had the biggest role in raising you when you were age 13.
  o For example, if your biological father shared custody of you with your biological mother and stepfather, you should answer for whichever father-figure had a bigger role in disciplining you.
• If you were raised by parents of the same sex, please explain under Other (for example, report on biological father as “Father” and other father as “Mother,” or biological mother as “Mother” and grandmother as “Father”).

9. Which mother-figure will you be describing (the person who had the biggest role in disciplining you at age 13)?
   1. Biological mother
   2. Adoptive mother
   3. Foster mother
   4. Stepmother
   5. Father’s girlfriend
   6. Other adult female relative (specify relationship)_________________
   7. Other (specify relationship and gender)__________________________________________________

10. Which father-figure will you be describing (the person who had the biggest role in disciplining you at age 13)?
   1. Biological father
   2. Adoptive father
   3. Foster father
   4. Stepfather
   5. Mother’s boyfriend
   6. Other adult male relative (specify relationship)_________________
   7. Other (specify relationship and gender)__________________________________________________

The following questions will refer to the mother-figure you listed above as “Mother” and the father-figure above as “Father.”

11. Please circle a number in each column for how much education you and your parents finished:

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12. Do you still live with your parents?  Yes  No
    If no, how many years ago did you move out? _____

13. Please estimate your family’s total household income before taxes for the last year you were living with your parents (for example, 12th grade):
   1. $0-$2,999
   2. $3,000-$7,999
   3. $8,000-$12,999
   4. $13,000-$19,999
   5. $20,000-$29,999
   6. $30,000-$39,999
   7. $40,000-$49,999
   8. $50,000-$59,999
   9. $60,000-$79,999
   10. $80,000-$99,999
11. $100,000 and over

14. How many people (include both adults and children/stepchildren) lived on this income? ________

15. (If applicable) What is your year in the university?
   1. Freshman
   2. Sophomore
   3. Junior
   4. Senior
   5. Other __________

   B. YOUR MISBEHAVIOR AT AGE 13

   1. Children misbehave in many different ways and in many different situations (e.g. bedtime, eating, picking up their belongings, disobedience, fights with siblings, etc.). Please list two examples of minor misbehaviors you performed around age 13, and two examples of serious misbehaviors you performed around age 13.

   MINOR
   1. ________________________________
   MISBEHAVIORS
   2. ________________________________

   SERIOUS
   1. ________________________________
   MISBEHAVIORS
   2. ________________________________

   We would like to find out how often you repeated a minor misbehavior after your parents corrected you, or engaged in a serious misbehavior. Please use this answer key:

   HOW OFTEN AT AGE 13 DID YOU?

   5. Repeat a minor misbehavior after being corrected for it?  N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   6. Do a serious misbehavior?  N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

   7. Who had the most responsibility for disciplining you at age 13? (circle one)
   1. My mother had much more responsibility for discipline than my father
   2. My mother had somewhat more responsibility than my father
   3. My parents shared responsibility equally
   4. My father had somewhat more responsibility than my mother
   5. My father had much more responsibility than my mother
### C. WHAT DID YOUR PARENTS DO TO CORRECT MISBEHAVIOR?

**N = Never**
- 0 = Not in that year, but in another year
- 1 = 1-2 times in that year
- 2 = 3-5 times in that year
- 3 = 6-9 times in that year
- 4 = Monthly (10 to 14 times in that year)
- 5 = A few times a month (2-3 times a month)
- 6 = Weekly (1-2 times a week)
- 7 = Several times a week (3-4 times)
- 8 = Daily (5 or more times a week)
- 9 = Two or more times a day

#### WHEN YOU MISBEHAVED (MINOR OR SEVERE)

**AT AGE 13:**

1. How often did your parents explain to you what the rules were to try to prevent you from repeating misbehavior?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

2. How often did your parents take away your allowance, toys, or other privileges because of misbehavior?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

3. How often did your parents put you in “time out” or send you to your room?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

4. How often did your parents shout or yell at you?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

5. How often did your parents shake or grab you to get your attention?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

6. How often did your parents give you something else to do instead of what you were doing wrong?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

7. How often did your parents try to make you feel shamed or guilty?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

8. How often did your parents deliberately not pay attention to a bad behavior you did?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

9. How often did your parents spank, slap, smack, or swat you?
   - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
   - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

10. How often did your parents use a paddle, hairbrush, or belt?
    - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
    - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

11. How often did your parents praise you for finally stopping something you had been told not to do, or for finally doing something you had been told to do but had not done?
    - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
    - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

12. How often did your parents hold back affection by acting cold or not giving hugs or kisses?
    - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
    - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

13. How often did your parents send you to bed without dinner?
    - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
    - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

14. How often did your parents tell you that they were watching or checking to see if a behavior occurred or continued?
    - Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
    - Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
WHEN YOU MISBEHAVED (MINOR OR SEVERE)
AT AGE 13:

15. How often did your parents **give you money or other material rewards** for finally stopping something you had been told not to do, or for finally doing something you were expected to do but had not done?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

16. How often did your parents **show or demonstrate** to you the right thing to do?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

17. How often did your parents **let you misbehave so that you would have to deal with the result of your misbehavior**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

18. How often did your parents **give you extra chores as a consequence**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

19. How often did your parents **make you do something to make up for some misbehavior**; for example, pay for a broken window?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

20. When you didn’t do jobs, were messy, or behaved badly to others, how often did your parents **tell you that you were lazy, sloppy, thoughtless, or some other name like that**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

21. How often did your parents **withhold your allowance, toys, or other privileges until you had completed a desired behavior**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

22. How often did your parents **check on your behavior to catch you doing something wrong**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

23. How often did your parents **check on your behavior to catch you doing something right**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

24. How often did your parents **make you apologize or say you were sorry** for a misbehavior?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

25. How often did your parents **wash your mouth out with soap, put hot sauce on your tongue, or something similar**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

26. How often did your parents **ground you or restrict your activities outside the home because of misbehavior**?  
   Mother: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
   Father: N 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
D. OTHER THINGS THAT HAPPENED WHEN CORRECTING MISBEHAVIOR

These questions are about things your parents did when you were 13 years old when they had to correct you for misbehavior and your reactions.

1. You knew what behaviors your parents expected from you  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

2. Your parents checked to make sure you were behaving after they corrected a misbehavior  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

3. When correcting misbehavior, your parents did or said things to show that they loved and supported you  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

4. Your parents made the consequences of misbehavior clear to you  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

5. When your parents did something to correct misbehavior, you ignored it  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

6. Your parents got very angry when you misbehaved  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

7. When you misbehaved, your parents tended to act on the spur of the moment  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

8. You thought your parents did the right thing when they corrected your misbehavior  
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

9. Your mother disagreed with the way your father corrected your misbehavior  
   Your father disagreed with the way your mother corrected your misbehavior  
   0 1 2 3 4

10. Your parents explained why they did what they did to correct you  
    Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
    Father: 0 1 2 3 4

11. Your parents corrected you again if you repeated a misbehavior  
    Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
    Father: 0 1 2 3 4

12. When your parents corrected a misbehavior, you knew they still loved you  
    Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
    Father: 0 1 2 3 4

13. Your parents counted to let you know that at the end of the count, they would do something else to correct the behavior  
    Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
    Father: 0 1 2 3 4

14. Your parents had problems managing your misbehavior  
    Mother: 0 1 2 3 4  
    Father: 0 1 2 3 4
15. Your parents seemed stressed out by your misbehavior
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

16. Your parents seemed to “lose it” when you misbehaved
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

17. You wished your parents had done things differently when correcting your misbehavior
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

18. Your mother disagreed with your father’s rules for your behavior
   Your father disagreed with your mother’s rules for your behavior
   0 1 2 3 4

19. Your parents followed through on what they said they would do
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

20. When your parents corrected misbehavior, you still felt encouraged and supported
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

21. Your parents changed how they disciplined you as you got older
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

22. No matter what your parents tried, they could not get you to behave
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4

23. Your parents made changes to their discipline when something did not work for you
   Mother: 0 1 2 3 4
   Father: 0 1 2 3 4
E. YOUR OPINIONS ABOUT DISCIPLINE

Even if you do not have children, we would like to have your current opinion about doing each of the following with children who are about 13 years old.

I THINK IT IS:
1. Never OK
2. Rarely OK
3. Usually OK
4. Always or Almost Always OK

1. Explain what the rules are to children that age to try to prevent misbehavior
   1 2 3 4

2. Take away allowance, toys, or other privileges from children that age because of misbehavior
   1 2 3 4

3. Put children that age in “time out” (or send them to their room)
   1 2 3 4

4. Shout or yell at children that age
   1 2 3 4

5. Grab or shake children that age to get their attention
   1 2 3 4

6. Give children that age something else to do instead of what they were doing wrong
   1 2 3 4

7. Try to make children that age feel shamed or guilty
   1 2 3 4

8. Deliberately not pay attention to a bad behavior of children that age
   1 2 3 4

9. Spank, slap, smack, or swat children that age
   1 2 3 4

10. Use an object such as a paddle, hairbrush, belt, etc. on children that age
    1 2 3 4

11. Praise children that age for finally stopping something they had been told not to do or were expected to do but had not done
    1 2 3 4

12. Hold back affection from children that age by acting cold or not giving hugs or kisses
    1 2 3 4

13. Send children that age to bed without dinner
    1 2 3 4

14. Let children that age know that you are watching or checking to see if the behavior happens again or continues
    1 2 3 4

15. Give children that age money or other material rewards for finally stopping something they had been told not to do or for finally doing something they were expected to do but had not done
    1 2 3 4

16. Show or demonstrate the right thing to do for a child that age
    1 2 3 4

17. Let children that age misbehave so that they have to deal with the result of their behavior
    1 2 3 4

18. Give children that age extra chores
    1 2 3 4

19. Make children that age do something to make up for a misbehavior, for example, pay for a broken window
    1 2 3 4
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21. Withhold allowance, toys, or other privileges until children that age have completed a desired behavior

22. Check on children that age to catch them doing something wrong

23. Check on children that age to catch them doing something right

24. Make children that age apologize or say they are sorry for a misbehavior

25. Wash the mouths of children that age out with soap, put hot sauce on their tongue, or something similar

26. Ground children that age or restrict their activities outside the home because of misbehavior

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS IMPORTANT STUDY!!!