

Appendix A

Pupil Questionnaire

The data collected will be used for a postgraduate study on factors which influence the academic achievement of primary pupils in Tamil schools.

This is not a test. There are no right or wrong answers. Please answer all the questions by placing a tick in the box which reflects the most appropriate response or by writing in the spaces provided.

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| 1. Full name: _____ | Do not
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| 2. Specific class you are in _____ | |
3. Ethnic origin
- (1) ☐ Malay
 - (2) ☐ Chinese
 - (3) ☐ Indians
 - (4) ☐ Others (please specify)
4. Sex
- (1) ☐ Male
 - (2) ☐ Female

5. What are your parents' highest academic qualification?

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	Father/ Guardian	Mother
Did not go to school at all	(1)[]	(1)[]
Primary school	(2)[]	(2)[]
Lower secondary (Form 1-3)	(3)[]	(3)[]
Upper secondary (Form 4-5)	(4)[]	(4)[]
Form six	(5)[]	(5)[]
College/polytechnic	(6)[]	(6)[]
University	(7)[]	(7)[]

6. What is your father's occupation?

If your father is not working, is he unemployed or retired or has he passed away?

- (1) [] Unemployed
- (2) [] Retired
- (3) [] Passed away

7. What is your mother's occupation?

8. How many years were you in kindergarten before primary school?

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- (1) ☐ None at all
- (2) ☐ One year
- (3) ☐ Two years
- (4) ☐ Three years
- (5) ☐ More than three years

9. What was the medium of instruction in the kindergarten that you attended?

- (1) ☐ Bahasa Malaysia
 - (2) ☐ English
 - (3) ☐ Tamil
 - (4) ☐ Combination of Bahasa Malaysia and English
 - (5) ☐ Others (please specify)
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10. Throughout 1990/1991, how many days were you absent from school?

- (1) ☐ None
- (2) ☐ Less than 1 week
- (3) ☐ 1 - 2 weeks
- (4) ☐ 3 - 4 weeks
- (5) ☐ More than 4 weeks

11. How do you rate yourself in school ability compared with those in your class at school?

- (1) ☐ I am among the poorest
- (2) ☐ I am below average
- (3) ☐ I am average
- (4) ☐ I am above average
- (5) ☐ I am among the best

12. Are you taking tuition?

(1) ☐ Yes

(2) ☐ No

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13. How much schooling do you want to have?

(1) ☐ Standard 6

(2) ☐ Form 3

(3) ☐ Form 5

(4) ☐ Form 6

(5) ☐ College/Polytechnic

(6) ☐ University

14. If you are free to choose any job that you wish, what job would you like to have? State one job only.

15. How often do you receive prize and praises from your parents when you do well in school?

Prizes

(1) ☐ Never

(2) ☐ Seldom

(3) ☐ Sometimes

(4) ☐ Always

Praises

(1) ☐ Never

(2) ☐ Seldom

(3) ☐ Sometimes

(4) ☐ Always

16. Do your parents encourage you to achieve a high mark in tests or examinations?

(1) ☐ No

(2) ☐ Yes

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17. How often do your parents ask questions about your school work and your homework?
- (1) ☐ Never
 - (2) ☐ Seldom
 - (3) ☐ Fairly often
 - (4) ☐ Often
 - (5) ☐ Very often
18. Do you think your parents ever know what you are studying in school, for example, in the Tamil language?
- (1) ☐ No
 - (2) ☐ Yes
19. What will your parents do if you do not do well in your school work?
- (1) ☐ They scold and hit me
 - (2) ☐ They forbid me from watching television and visiting friends
 - (3) ☐ They scold but do not hit me
 - (4) ☐ They talk it over with me
 - (5) ☐ They do not do anything to me
20. When you have difficulty with your school work, do your parents help you?
- (1) ☐ No
 - (2) ☐ Yes
21. How important do you think it is for your parents that you complete your homework before you play or watch TV.?
- (1) ☐ Not important at all
 - (2) ☐ Not important
 - (3) ☐ Fairly important
 - (4) ☐ Important
 - (5) ☐ Very important

22. How much schooling do you think your parents want you to have?

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- (1) ☐ Standard 6
- (2) ☐ Form 3
- (3) ☐ Form 5
- (4) ☐ Form 6
- (5) ☐ College/Polytechnic
- (5) ☐ University

23. How important do you think it is for your parents that you get good marks in school?

- (1) ☐ Not important at all
- (2) ☐ Not important
- (3) ☐ Fairly important
- (4) ☐ Important
- (5) ☐ Very important

24. What job do your parents want you to pursue in after school.
State one job only.

APPENDIX B

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Today's Date _____ Grade (or Class) _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____
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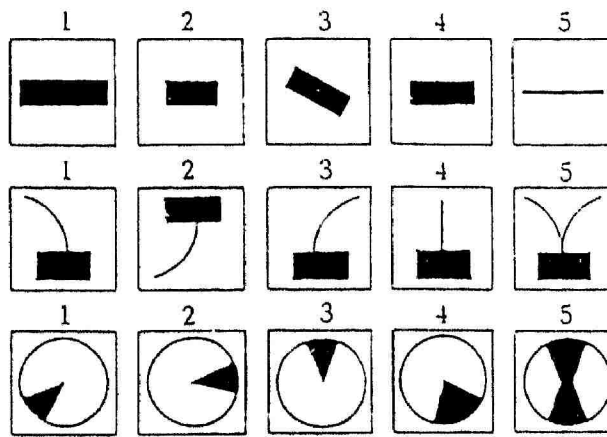
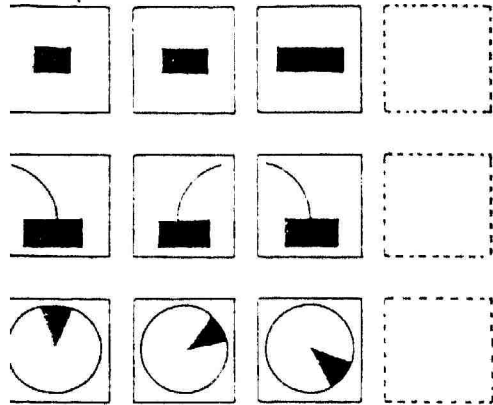
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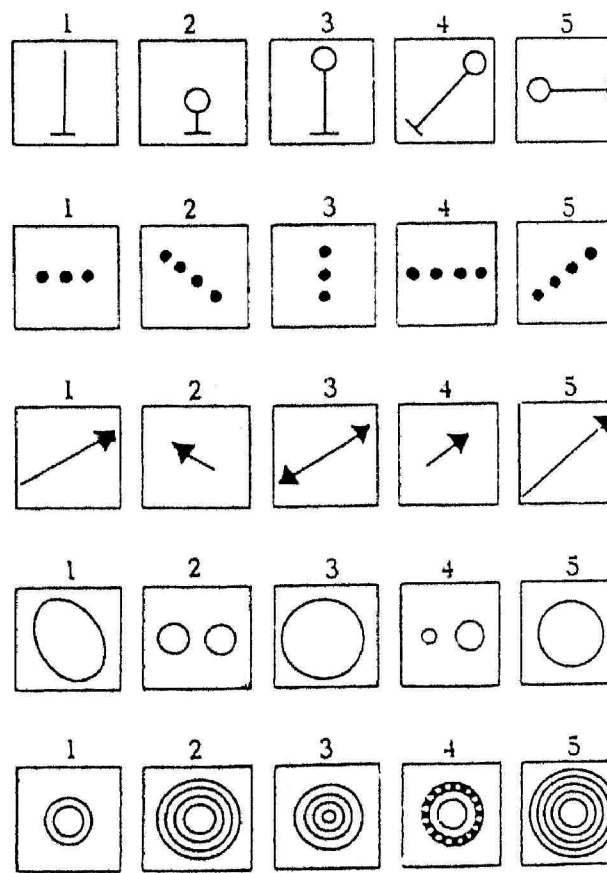
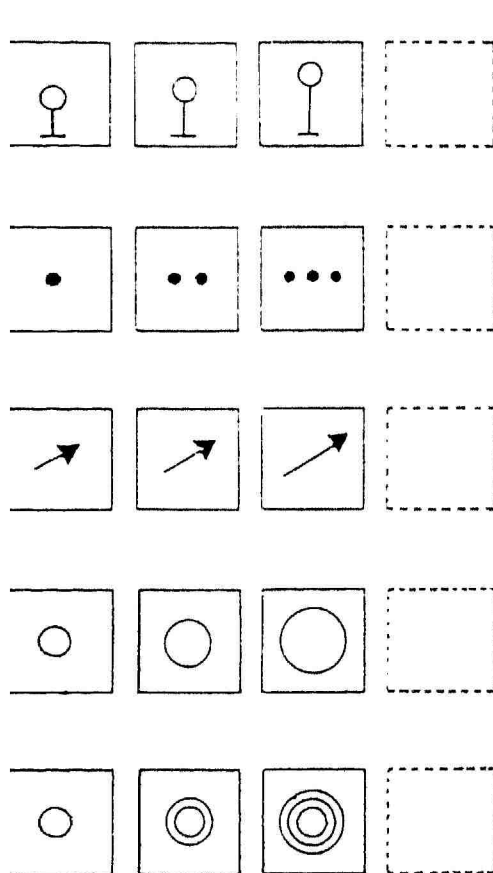


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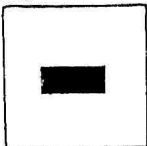
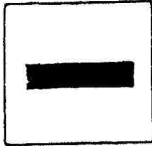
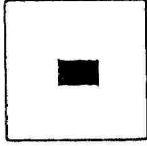
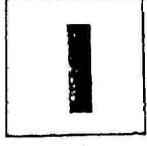
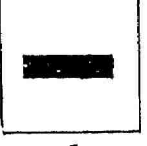
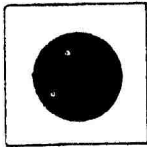
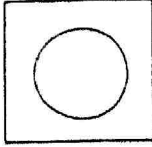
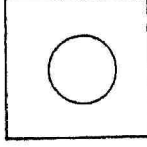
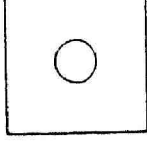
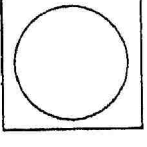
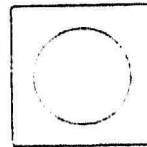
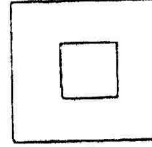
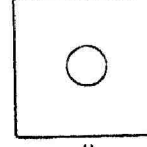
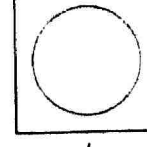
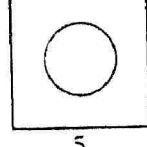
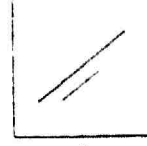
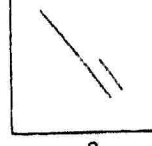
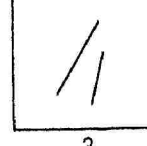
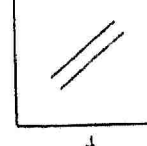
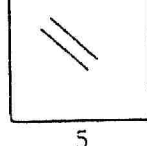
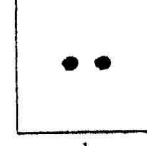
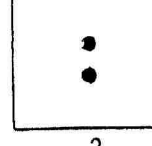
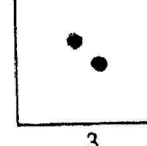
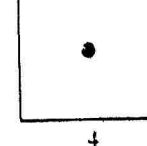
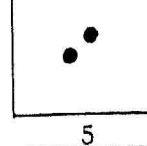
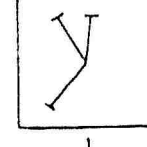
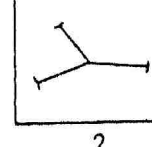
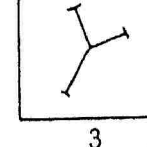
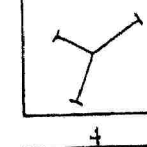
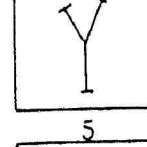
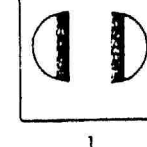
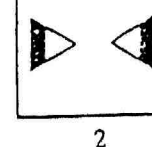
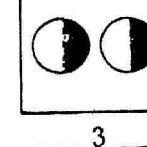
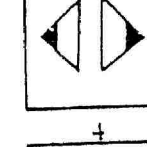
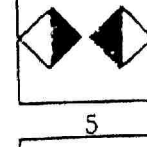
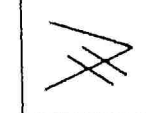

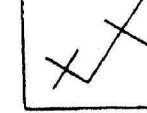

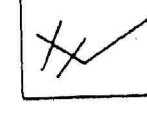
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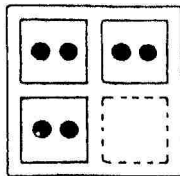
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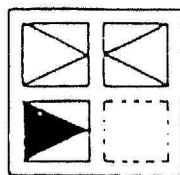
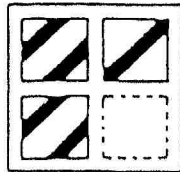
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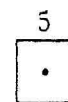
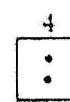
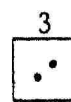
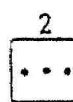
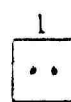
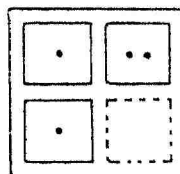


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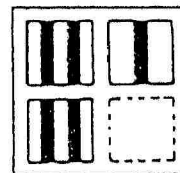
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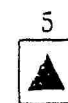
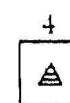
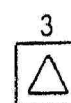
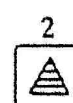
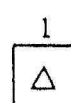
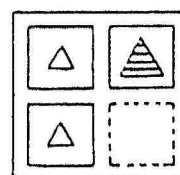
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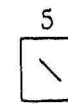
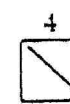
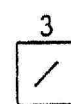
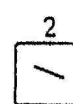
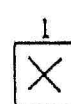
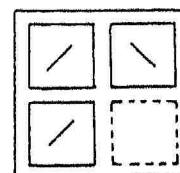
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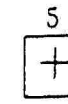
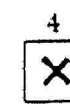
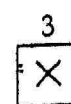
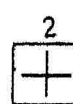
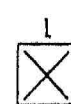
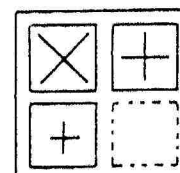
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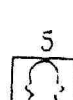
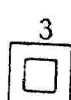
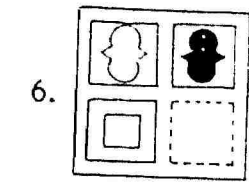


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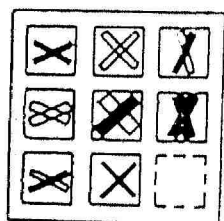
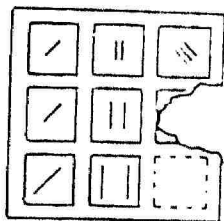
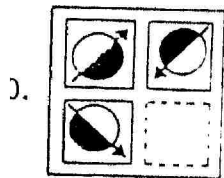
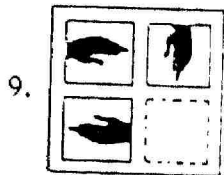
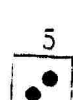
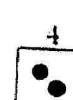
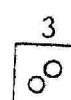
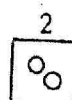
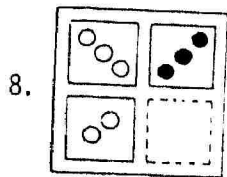
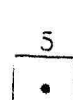
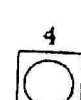
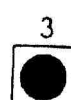
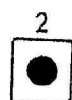
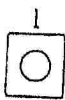
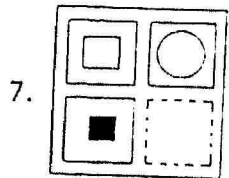


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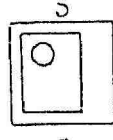
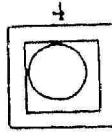
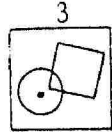
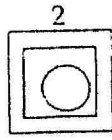
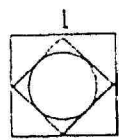
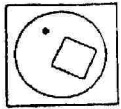
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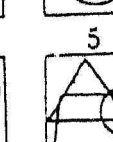
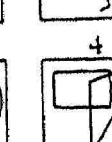
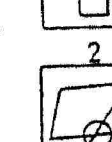
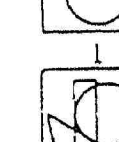
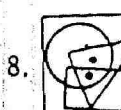
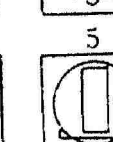
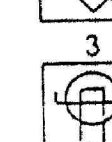
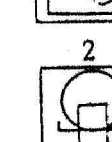
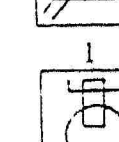
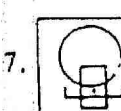
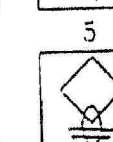
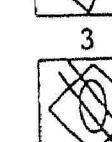
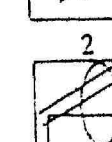
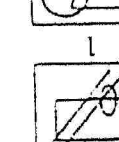
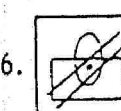
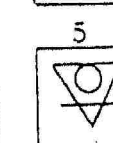
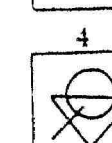
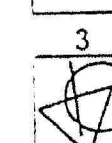
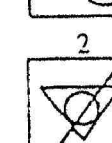
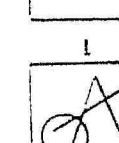
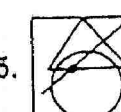
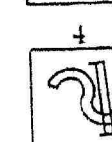
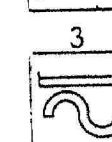
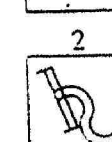
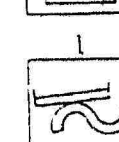
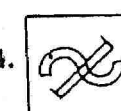
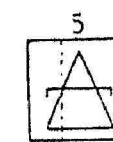
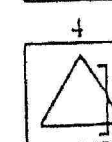
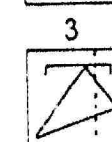
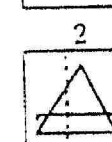
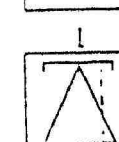
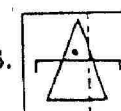
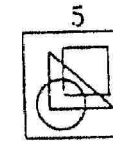
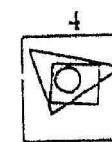
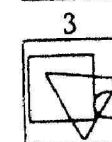
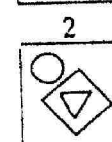
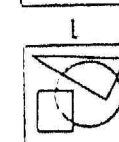
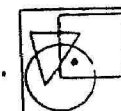
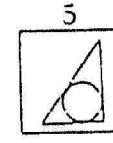
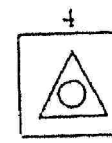
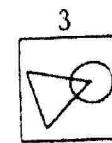
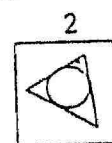
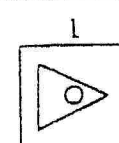
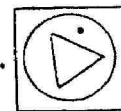
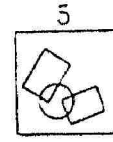
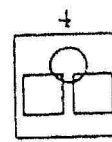
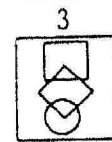
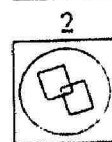
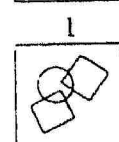
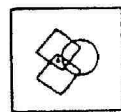
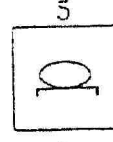
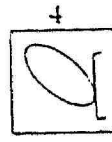
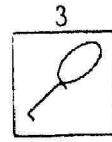
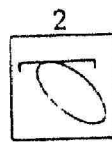
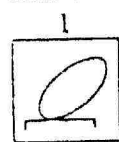
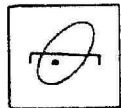
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Examples



Answers

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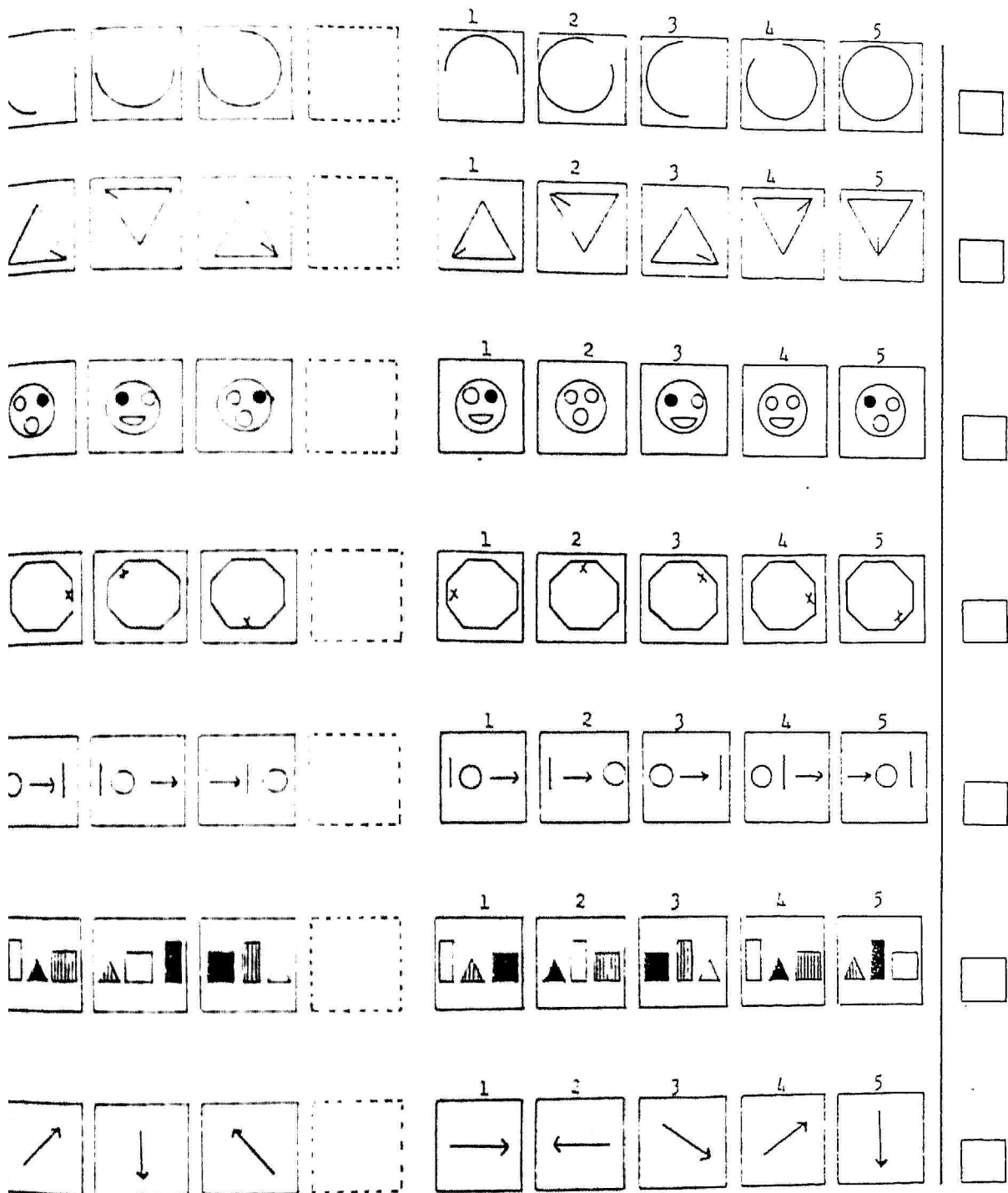


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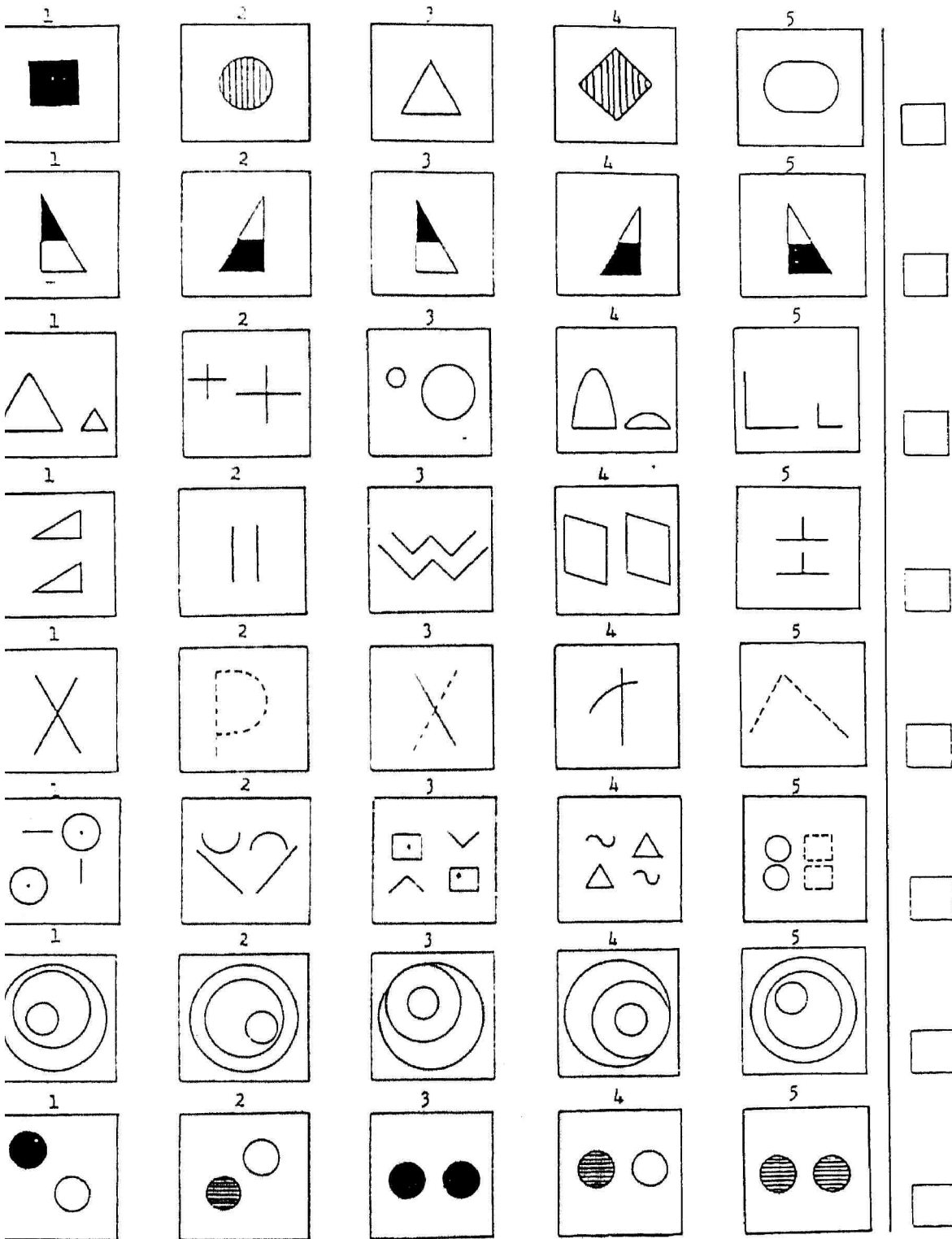
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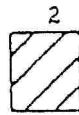
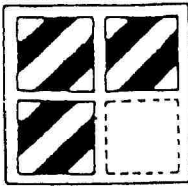
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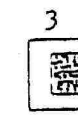
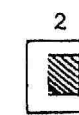
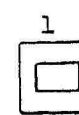
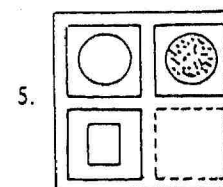
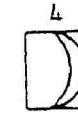
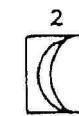
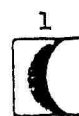
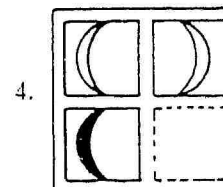
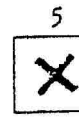
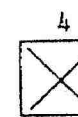
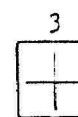
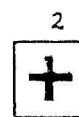
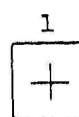
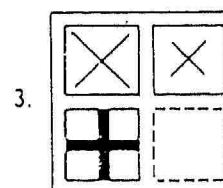
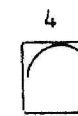
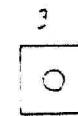
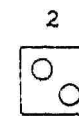
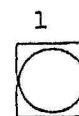
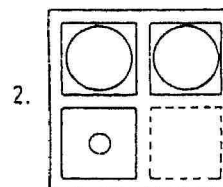
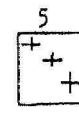
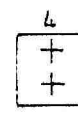
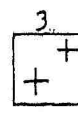
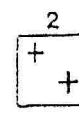
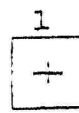
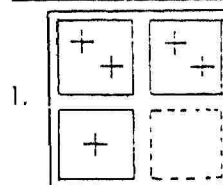
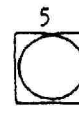
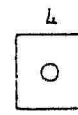
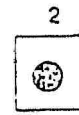
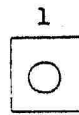
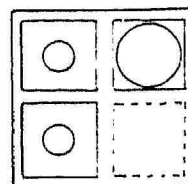
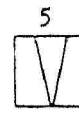
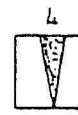
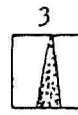
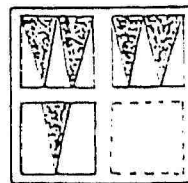
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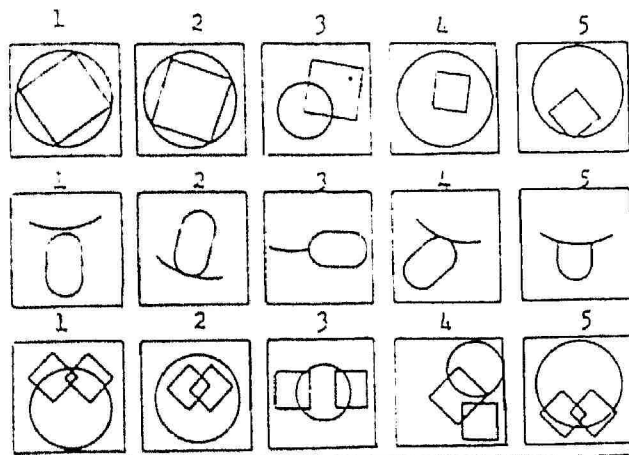
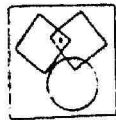
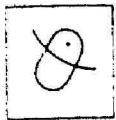
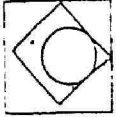
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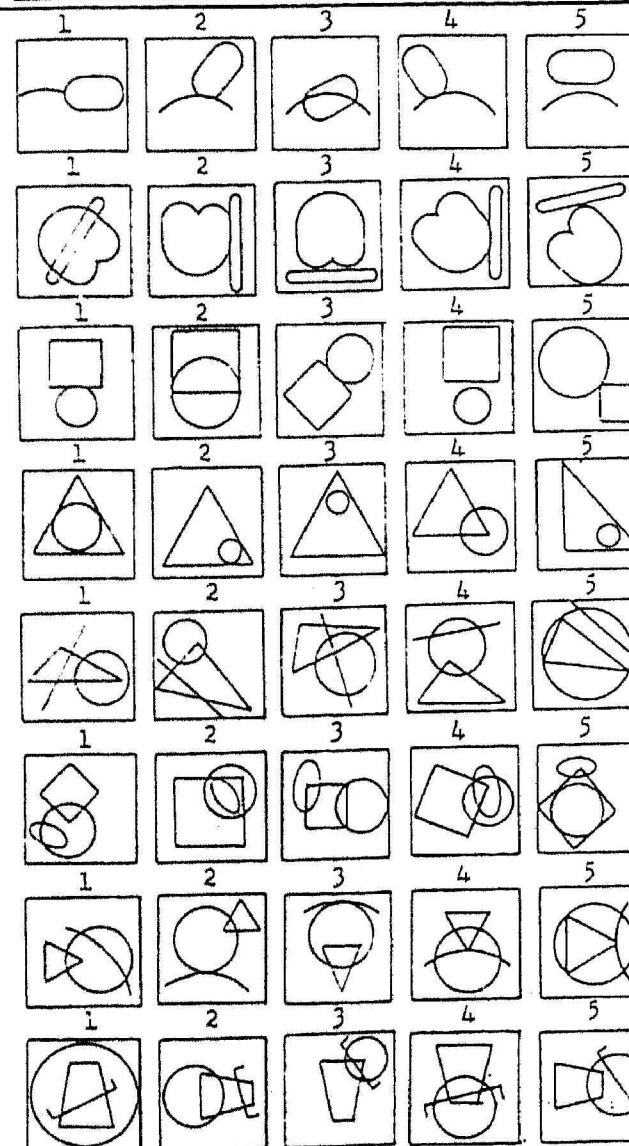
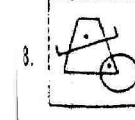
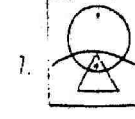
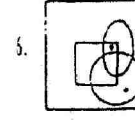
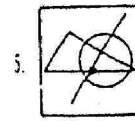
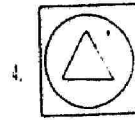
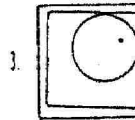
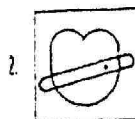
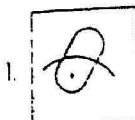
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APPENDIX C

Teacher Questionnaire

This data collected will be used for a postgraduate study factors which influence the academic achievement of primary sills in Tamil schools. Please answer all the question by cing a tick in the box which reflects the most appropriate ponse or by writing in the spaces provided.

Your Co-operation is much appreciated

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Sex

- (1) ☐ Male
(2) ☐ Female

Marital status

- (1) ☐ Single
(2) ☐ Married
(3) ☐ Divorced
(4) ☐ Widowed

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in this column

Ethnic origin

- (1) [] Malay
- (2) [] Chinese
- (3) [] Indian
- (4) [] Others (please specify)

Age (as on 1.1.1991)

- (1) [] Less than 21 years old
- (2) [] 21 - 25 years old
- (3) [] 26 - 30 years old
- (4) [] 31 - 35 years old
- (5) [] 36 - 40 years old
- (6) [] 41 - 45 years old
- (7) [] 46 - 50 years old
- (8) [] 51 - 55 years old

List the subject method or methods
for which you have been trained to
teach

<u>Subject methods</u>	<u>Level of training</u> (Normal/trained Teacher training college/University)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

6. List the subject or subjects currently taught by you

Do not write
in this column

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. What is your highest academic attainment

- (1) ☐ SRP or equivalent
 (2) ☐ SPM or equivalent
 (3) ☐ STPM (full certificate) or equivalent
 (4) ☐ College/Polytechnic
 (5) ☐ University

8. How many years of teaching experience do you have?

- (1) ☐ Less than a year
 (2) ☐ 1 - 3 years
 (3) ☐ 4 - 9 years
 (4) ☐ 10 -15 years
 (5) ☐ 16 -20 years
 (6) ☐ 21 -25 years
 (7) More than 25 years

9. Besides classroom teaching, what post (s) of responsibility do you currently hold?

Nature of responsibility
(class teachers, senior
subject teacher, etc)

No. of years
in the post

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

10. How many periods do you teach per week? Do not write
_____ periods. in this column

11. How light or heavy do you consider your
work load to be?

- (1) ☐ Very heavy
- (2) ☐ Heavy
- (3) ☐ Reasonable
- (4) ☐ Light
- (5) ☐ Very light

12. On an average, how many hours a day do
you spend marking pupils exercise books?

- (1) ☐ Less than one hour
- (2) ☐ 1 hour
- (3) ☐ 2 hours
- (4) ☐ 3 hours
- (5) ☐ 4 hours or more

13. How often do you spend time in providing
individual assistance to pupils who seek
your help?

- (1) ☐ Never
- (2) ☐ Seldom
- (3) ☐ Sometimes
- (4) ☐ Quite often
- (5) ☐ Very quite

14. If you are a class teacher, how is the ability of your class compared with the average for your school?

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in this column

- (1) ☐ Much lower
 (2) ☐ Slightly lower
 (3) ☐ About average
 (4) ☐ Slightly higher
 (5) ☐ Much higher than average

15. What is your impression of the attitude of your pupils towards the subjects (s) which you teach?

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Perceived Attitudes</u>			
(please specify)	Show dislike	Not interested	Show some interest	Very keen to learn
_____	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4
_____	1	2	3	4

16. Overall, how would you rate pupils in your school on how they try in their lessons?

- (1) ☐ Poor
 (2) ☐ Fair
 (3) ☐ Average
 (4) ☐ Good
 (5) ☐ Very Good

17. What is the general reputation of this school among teachers outside the school?

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- (1) ☐ A poor school
- (2) ☐ Below average
- (3) ☐ About average
- (4) ☐ Better than average
- (5) ☐ Among the best

18. What do you think is the attitude of most parents towards your school?

- (1) ☐ I don't know
- (2) ☐ They dislike the school
- (3) ☐ They are indifferent
- (4) ☐ They strongly support the school

Appendix D

Headmaster Questionnaire

1. Name of school: _____
2. School status: (1) ☐ Fully aided
(2) ☐ Partly aided
3. Year in which school was established _____
4. Number of pupils
Male: _____ Female _____ Total _____
5. Number of classes: _____
Standard 1 _____
2 _____
3 _____
4 _____
5 _____
6 _____
6. Number of teachers:
Male: _____ Female _____ Total _____
7. Teachers professional qualification
Number of trained teachers: _____
Number of untrained teachers: _____

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8. State the number of teachers in each category.

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L.C.E - _____

S.P.M - _____

S.T.P.M _____

College/polytechnic _____

University: _____

9. State the number of teachers in each age category?

21 - 25 years old _____ teachers

26 - 30 years old _____ teachers

31 - 35 years old _____ teachers

41 - 45 years old _____ teachers

46 - 50 years old _____ teachers

51 - 55 years ole _____ teachers

10. State the number of teachers with the following categories of teaching experience.

Less than a year [] teachers

1 - 3 years [] teachers

4 - 9 years [] teachers

10 - 15 years [] teachers

16 - 20 years [] teachers

21 - 25 years [] teachers

more than 25 years [] teachers

11. State the number of classroom in the school
_____ classrooms.

12. Do you think you have enough classroom in your school?

No not
write
in this
column

(1) [] Enough

(2) [] Not enough

Need _____ more classrooms.

13. Do you have a school library?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

14. How many books are there in your school library?

_____ books.

15. Are there enough educational resources in your school?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

If your answer is 'no' what are the resources that the school is lacking in?

16. What are the problems of the schools?

17. Are you satisfied with the academic achievement of your school?

(1) Yes ()

(2) No []

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column

18. If yes, give your reasons.

If no, give your reasons

APPENDIX E

Parent Interview Schedule

Parents' name: _____

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in this
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Child: _____

Relationship of person interviewed to child

- (1) [] Child's natural mother
- (2) [] Foster or adopted mother
- (3) [] Child's natural father
- (4) [] Child's foster or adopted father
- (5) [] Others (specify) _____

1. Do you give any reward to your child for doing well in school?

- (1) [] Never
- (2) [] seldom
- (3) [] Fairly often
- (4) [] Very often

2. How do you reward him/her for doing well in school?
- _____

3. Do you encourage your child to achieve high marks in tests or examinations?

- (1) [] Yes
- (2) [] No

4. How often do you ask questions about your child's schoolwork and his/her homework? Do not write in this column

- (1) [] Never
- (2) [] Seldom
- (3) [] Fairly Often
- (4) [] Often
- (5) [] Very Often

5. Do you know what your child is studying, say in the Tamil language in school?

- (1) [] Yes
- (2) [] No

6. Do you tell your child that you are happy if he/she does well in school test?

- (1) [] Never
- (2) [] Seldom
- (3) [] Fairly Often
- (4) [] Often
- (5) [] Very Often

7. How often do you punish your child if he/she does badly in school?

- (1) [] Never
- (2) [] Seldom
- (3) [] Fairly Often
- (4) [] Often
- (5) [] Very Often

8. How do you punish him/her?
-

9. Do you or your husband (wife) help your child in his/her school work?

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in this
column

(1) ☐ Yes

(2) ☐ No

How? _____

10. How important do you think it is for you that your child completes his/her homework before he/she plays or watches television?

(1) ☐ Not important at all

(2) ☐ Not important

(3) ☐ Fairly important

(4) ☐ Important

(5) ☐ Very Important

11. How often do you ask your children to read books other than school books?

(1) ☐ Never

(2) ☐ Seldom

(3) ☐ Fairly Often

(4) ☐ Often

(5) ☐ Very Often

12. How important is it for you that your child gets good marks in school?

(1) ☐ Not important at all

(2) ☐ Not important

(3) ☐ Fairly important

(4) ☐ Important

(5) ☐ Very important

13. How much schooling do you want your child to get?

Do not write
in this
column

- (1) ☐ Standard 6
- (2) ☐ Form 3
- (3) ☐ Form 5
- (4) ☐ Form 6
- (5) ☐ College/Polytechnic
- (6) ☐ University

14. How much schooling do you really think your child can get?

- (1) ☐ Standard 6
- (2) ☐ Form 3
- (3) ☐ Form 5
- (4) ☐ From 6
- (5) ☐ College/Polytechnic
- (6) ☐ University

15. How important do you think a good education is to get a good job?

- (1) ☐ Not important at all
- (2) ☐ Not important
- (3) ☐ Fairly important
- (4) ☐ Important
- (5) ☐ Very important

16. Do you think you child will be able to get a good job when he/she finishes school?

- (1) ☐ Yes
- (2) ☐ No

17. What job do you want your child to do after school? State one job only?
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18. Do you or your husband (wife) visit your child's school and talk to his/her teachers?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

19. Do you feel that your talk with the teacher was beneficial to your child's schooling?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

Please give reasons for your answer?

20. Do you feel any attachment between you and your child's school?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

21. Are you afraid or feel uneasy when talking to teachers or the principal of the school where your child is studying?

(1) [] Yes

(2) [] No

22. Why are you sending your child to a Tamil medium school?
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APPENDIX F

TEACHING PRACTICE EVALUATION FORM
UNIVERSITY MALAYA FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Name	: _____	Class:	: _____
School	: _____	Date:	: _____
Subject	: _____		
Topic	: _____		

Comment

1. Instructional Objectives

(Are these objectives clear
and appropriate for pupil
learning?)

**2. Selection of content and
Instructional Material**

(Is the selection appropriate
and relevant to the instructional
objectives?)

3. Sequencing Lessons

(Are the various components
arranged and developed in
a logical hierarchy?)

Comment**. Set Induction**

(Does it attract pupils and focus their interest and attention to learning)

. Teacher-Pupil Relationship

(Is the interaction cordial?
Does the teacher consider individual difference)

i. Use of Instructional Material

(Does the teacher use the instructional material effectively)

7. Pupil Involvement

(Are the pupils focussed on the lesson? Are they involved in classroom activities?)

8. Development of Lesson

(Is the development flexible and appropriate?)

Comment**9. Communication and Exploration****of Issues and Concept**

(Is the teacher fluent and
is his language effective?

Is the teacher's explanation
clear and accurate. Does it
reveal the teacher grasp of
the content)

10. Closure

(Does the teacher summarize
the main points)

11. Use of Evaluation Technique**to Improve Learning and
Develop Thirleing in Pupils**

(Does the teacher use appropriate
strategies to obtain feedback
in order to improve learning?)

Supervisor