# 2010 New York State Youth Tobacco Survey (NY YTS) Questionnaire

This survey is about tobacco. We would like to know about you and things you do that may affect your health. Your answers will be used for programs for young people like yourself.

DO NOT write your name on this survey. The answers you give will be kept private. No one will know what you write. Answer the questions based on what you really do and know.

Completing the survey is voluntary. Whether or not you answer the questions will not affect your grade in this class. Try to answer all the questions. If you do not want to answer a question, just leave it blank. There are no wrong answers.

The questions that ask about your background will only be used to describe the types of students completing this survey. The information will not be used to find out your name. No names will ever be reported.

Make sure to read every question. Try to answer all the questions. Fill in the ovals in the booklet completely. When you are finished, follow the instructions of the person giving you the survey.

Thank You Very Much For Your Help.

#### **Directions**

- Use a #2 pencil only.
- Make dark marks.
- Fill in a response like this: AB D
- To change your answer, erase completely.

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The first questions ask for some background information about you.

- 1. How old are you?
  - A 9 years old
  - 10 years old
  - © 11 years old
  - 12 years old
  - © 13 years old
  - 14 years old
  - @ 15 years old
  - ① 16 years old ① 17 years old

  - 18 years old
  - 19 years old
  - 20 years old M 21 years old
- 2. What is your sex?
  - A Female
  - Male
- 3. What grade are you in?
  - A 6th
  - ® 7th
  - © 8th
  - 9th
  - (E) 10th
  - **(E)** 11th
  - @ 12th
  - (H) Ungraded or other grade
- 4. Are you Hispanic or Latino?
  - A Yes
  - B No
- 5. What race or races do you consider yourself to be? (Please select one or more than one category.) Would you say:
  - American Indian or Alaska Native
  - B Asian
  - © Black or African American
  - D Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- 6. Which one of these groups BEST describes you?
  - American Indian or Alaska Native
  - B Asian
  - © Black or African American
  - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
  - White

- 7. During an average week, how much money do you get from a job and other sources (allowance, etc.)?
  - A None
  - ® Less than \$1
  - © \$1 to \$5
  - ① \$6 to \$10
  - **E** \$11 to \$20
  - **E** \$21 to \$50
  - @ \$51 to \$100
  - **H** \$101 to \$150
  - ① \$151 or more

The next questions ask about your use of tobacco. The first group of questions is about cigarette smoking.

- 8. Have you ever tried cigarette smoking, even one or two puffs?
  - A Yes
  - ® No
- 9. How old were you when you smoked a whole cigarette for the first time?
  - (A) I have never smoked a whole cigarette
  - 8 years old or younger @ 9
  - ①\10
  - © 11 © 12
  - **©** 13
  - **H** 14
  - ① 15
  - **①** 16
  - 17 years old or older
- 10. About how many cigarettes have you smoked in your entire life?
  - A None
  - ® 1 or more puffs but never a whole cigarette
  - © 1 cigarette
  - © 2 to 5 cigarettes
  - © 6 to 15 cigarettes (about 1/2 a pack total)
  - 16 to 25 cigarettes (about 1 pack total)
  - © 26 to 99 cigarettes (more than 1 pack but less than
  - ⊕ 100 to 200 cigarettes (5–10 packs)
  - ① More than 200 cigarettes (more than 10 packs)
- 11. Have you ever smoked cigarettes daily, that is, at least one cigarette every day for 30 days?
  - A Yes
  - **B** No
- 12. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes?
  - O days
  - 1 or 2 days
  - © 3 to 5 days
  - 1 6 to 9 days
  - 10 to 19 days © 20 to 29 days
  - G All 30 days

- 13. During the past 30 days, on the days you smoked, how many cigarettes did you smoke per day?
  - I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
  - B Less than 1 cigarette per day
  - © 1 cigarette per day
  - ① 2 to 5 cigarettes per day
  - © 6 to 10 cigarettes per day
  - © 11 to 20 cigarettes per day
  - More than 20 cigarettes per day
- 14. During the past 30 days, what brand of cigarettes did you usually smoke? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)
  - I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
  - B I do not have a usual brand
  - C American Spirit
  - Camel
  - © GPC, Basic, or Doral
  - **(E)** Kool
  - **©** Lucky Strike
  - Marlboro
  - Newport
  - Parliament
  - **®** Virginia Slims
  - © Some other brand
- 15. What type of cigarette did you usually smoke in the past 30 days?
  - A I have never smoked
  - ® I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days
  - © I do not have a usual type
  - Regular/Full flavor
  - **E** Light
  - Ultra Light
- 16. Are the cigarettes you usually smoke menthal cigarettes?
  - A I do not smoke cigarettes
  - B YesNo
- 17. When was the last time you smoked a cigarette, even one or two puffs?
  - A I have never smoked even one or two puffs
  - B Earlier today
  - © Not today but sometime during the past 7 days
  - Not during the past 7 days but sometime during the past 30 days
  - Not during the past 30 days but sometime during the past 6 months
  - D Not during the past 6 months but sometime during the past year
  - © 1 to 4 years ago
  - ① 5 or more years ago
- 18. Where do you smoke cigarettes?

## (CHOOSE ONE OR MORE ANSWERS)

- (A) I do not smoke now
- At home
- C At school
- At work
- (E) In the car
- (E) At friends' houses
- (G) At sports events, parties, dances, raves, or other social events
- (H) In public places (parks, shopping malls, or other hangouts)

- 19. During the past 30 days, how did you get your own cigarettes? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)
  - I did not smoke cigarettes during the past 30 days.
  - ® I bought them in a store such as a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
  - © I bought them from a vending machine
  - D I gave someone else money to buy them for me
  - © I got them from someone else
  - © I stole them
  - © A person 18 years old or older gave them to me
  - (H) I bought them over the Internet
  - ① I got them some other way
- 20. During the past 30 days, where did you buy the last pack of cigarettes you bought? (CHOOSE ONLY ONE ANSWER)
  - (A) I did not buy a pack of cigarettes during the past 30 days
  - A gas station
  - © A convenience store
  - A grocery store
  - **©** A drugstore
  - A vending machine
  - (G) I bought them over the Internet
  - (H) Other
- 21. When you buy your cigarettes, do you usually buy them by the pack or loose?
  - I never buy cigarettes
  - ® Pack
  - © L'oose
- In the past 12 months, did you buy cigarettes loose from people selling them independently; for example on the street?
  - A I never buy cigarettes
  - B Yes
  - © No
- 23. When you bought or tried to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days, were you ever asked to show proof of age?
  - (A) I did not try to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days
  - ® Yes, I was asked to show proof of age
  - © No, I was not asked to show proof of age
- 24. When you bought or tried to buy cigarettes over the Internet during the past 30 days, were you ever asked your age?
  - A I did not try to buy cigarettes over the Internet during the past 30 days
  - B Yes, I was asked my age
  - © No, I was not asked my age
- 25. During the past 30 days, did anyone ever refuse to sell you cigarettes because of your age?
  - I did not try to buy cigarettes in a store during the past 30 days
  - Yes, someone refused to sell me cigarettes because of my age
  - © No, no one refused to sell me cigarettes because of my age

26.	During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigarettes on school property?	34.	During the past 12 months, have you had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack?
	<ul> <li>(A) 0 days</li> <li>(B) 1 or 2 days</li> <li>(C) 3 to 5 days</li> <li>(D) 6 to 9 days</li> <li>(E) 10 to 19 days</li> <li>(F) 20 to 29 days</li> <li>(G) All 30 days</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>A I do not have asthma</li> <li>B No, I have asthma but I have not had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack during the past 12 months.</li> <li>C Yes, I have had an episode of asthma or an asthma attack during the past 12 months.</li> <li>D Not sure</li> </ul>
27.	During the past 30 days, have you seen other students smoking cigarettes on school property?	35.	Has a medical doctor, dentist, or nurse ever talked to you about the dangers of tobacco use?
	<ul><li>(A) Yes</li><li>(B) No</li></ul>		Yes     No     I don't know/l can't remember
28.	During the past 30 days, have you seen adults smoking cigarettes on school property?	36.	During the past 12 months, did a medical doctor, dentist,
	(A) Yes (B) No		or nurse <u>ask</u> you whether you smoke cigarettes?  (A) Yes (B) No
29.	Do you want to stop smoking cigarettes?		© I don't know/I can't remember
	<ul><li>A I do not smoke now</li><li>B Yes</li><li>No</li></ul>	37.	During the past 12 months, did a medical doctor, dentist, or nurse tell you to stop smoking?
30.	Are you seriously thinking about quitting smoking?		(B) I have never smoked (B) Yes (C) No
	<ul> <li>A I have never smoked</li> <li>B I do not smoke now</li> <li>C Yes, within the next 30 days</li> <li>D Yes, within the next 6 months</li> <li>E Yes, but not within the next 6 months</li> </ul>	38.	Do you think you would be able to quit smoking cigarettes now if you wanted to?
	No, I am not thinking of quitting smoking     Not sure		A I do not smoke now     B Yes     No
31.	How many times during the past 12 months have you stopped smoking for 1 day or longer because you were trying to quit smoking?	39.	How long can you go without smoking before you feel like you need a cigarette?
	<ul> <li>A I have not smoked in the past 12 months</li> <li>B I have not tried to quit</li> <li>1 time</li> <li>2 times</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>A I have never smoked cigarettes</li> <li>B I do not smoke now</li> <li>C Less than 1 hour</li> <li>D 1 to 3 hours</li> </ul>
	© 3 to 5 times © 6 to 9 times © 10 or more times		© More than 3 hours but less than a day © Several days ® A week or more
32.	When you last tried to quit, how long did you stay off cigarettes?	40	How true is this statement for you? After not smoking
	<ul> <li>A I have never smoked cigarettes</li> <li>B I have never tried to quit</li> <li>C Less than a day</li> </ul>	10.	for a while, I need to smoke to relieve feelings of restlessness and irritability.
	D Less than a day D 1 to 2 days E 3 to 7 days D More than 7 days but less than 30 days G 30 days or more but less than 6 months D 6 months or more but less than a year D 1 year or more		<ul> <li>A I have never smoked cigarettes</li> <li>B I do not smoke now</li> <li>C Not at all true</li> <li>D Not very true</li> <li>E Fairly true</li> <li>F Very true</li> </ul>
33.	Has a doctor or nurse ever told you that you have asthma?		
	<ul><li>(A) Yes</li><li>(B) No</li><li>(C) Not sure</li></ul>		

41.	How true is this statement for you? Whe without a smoke for a few hours, I experie		ravin	g.	48. Out of every 10 students in your grade at school, about how many do you think smoke cigarettes?			
	<ul> <li>A I have never smoked cigarettes</li> <li>B I do not smoke now</li> <li>C Not at all true</li> <li>D Not very true</li> <li>E Fairly true</li> <li>P Very true</li> </ul>				<ul> <li></li></ul>			
42.	During this school year, did you practice version "No" to tobacco in any of your classes (for by role playing)?				① 9 students ① 9 students ② 10 students ② 10 students			
	<ul><li>A Yes</li><li>B No</li><li>C Not sure</li></ul>				49. Out of every 10 adults in your community, about how many do you think smoke cigarettes?			
43.	During this school year, were you taught classes the reasons why people your age			ur	O adults     1 adult     C 2 adults     D 3 adults			
	<ul><li>A Yes</li><li>B No</li><li>C Not sure</li></ul>				© 4 adults © 5 adults © 6 adults H 7 adults			
44.	During this school year, were you taught your classes that most people your age d smoke cigarettes?		of		① 8 adults ② 9 adults ⑥ 10 adults			
	A Yes     B No     C Not sure		(		The next questions are about smokeless tobacco—			
45.	During this school year, were you taught in any of your classes about the effects of smoking, like it makes your teeth yellow, causes wrinkles, or makes you smell bad?			dur \	chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip.			
	Yes     B No     Not sure		\		50. Have you ever used chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip, such as Redman, Levi Garrett, Beechnut, Skoal, Skoal Bandits, or Copenhagen?			
46.	During this school year, has what you have learned in school helped you feel it is okay to say "No" to friends who offer you cigarettes?				(A) Yes (B) No			
	Yes     No				<ul><li>51. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip?</li><li>② 0 days</li></ul>			
47.	© Not sure  Schools often have rules about who can i	use tol	oacco	and	<ul> <li>B 1 or 2 days</li> <li>3 to 5 days</li> <li>6 to 9 days</li> </ul>			
	where they can use it. Below is a series of statements about the rules that <u>your</u> school may have about who can use tobacco and where they can use it. Please mark "Yes", "No" or "Don't Know" for each rule at your school			© 10 to 19 days © 20 to 29 days © All 30 days				
	regarding tobacco use.	Yes		Don't Know	52. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you use chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip on school property?			
a.	People are allowed to use tobacco inside school buildings.	Y	N	©K)	<ul><li>② 0 days</li><li>③ 1 or 2 days</li><li>② 3 to 5 days</li></ul>			
b.	People are allowed to use tobacco outdoors on school property.	Y	N	©K)	① 6 to 9 days ① 6 to 9 days ⑤ 10 to 19 days ⑥ 20 to 29 days			
C.	People are allowed to use tobacco in any school vehicles.	Y	N	©K	© All 30 days			
d.	People are allowed to use tobacco at any school sponsored events, including sporting events or events that happen off-campus.	<b>(Y)</b>	N	©K)				

#### The next questions are about cigars and pipes.

- 53. Have you ever tried smoking cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars, even one or two puffs?
  - A Yes
  - **B** No
- 54. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke cigars, cigarillos, or little cigars?
  - A 0 days
  - B 1 or 2 daysC 3 to 5 days

  - 1 6 to 9 days
  - **©** 10 to 19 days
  - **E** 20 to 29 days
  - G All 30 days
- 55. Have you ever tried smoking tobacco using a hookah, even one or two puffs?
  - A Yes
  - **B** No
- 56. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke tobacco using a hookah?
  - A 0 days
  - 1 or 2 days
  - © 3 to 5 days
  - 1 6 to 9 days
  - **©** 10 to 19 days
  - **E** 20 to 29 days
  - G All 30 days

The next questions are about bidis and kreteks. Bidis (or "beedies") are small brown cigarettes from India made of tobacco wrapped in a leaf tied with a thread. They can taste like vanilla, chocolate, cherry or other flavors. Kreteks (or "clove cigarettes") are cigarettes containing tobacco and clove extract.

- 57. Have you ever tried smoking any of the following:
  - A Bidis
  - ® Kreteks (clove cigarettes)
  - © I have tried both bidis and kreteks
  - D I have never smoked bidis or kreteks
- 58. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke bidis?
  - A 0 days
  - 1 or 2 days
  - © 3 to 5 days
  - 1 6 to 9 days
  - **©** 10 to 19 days
  - **(E)** 20 to 29 days G All 30 days

- 59. During the past 30 days, on how many days did you smoke kreteks?
  - O days
  - 1 or 2 days
  - © 3 to 5 days
  - 1 6 to 9 days
  - **©** 10 to 19 days
  - **(E)** 20 to 29 days
  - @ All 30 days

### The next questions ask about other people smoking and using tobacco around you.

- 60. During the past 7 days, on how many days were you in the same room with someone who was smoking cigarettes?
  - (A) 0 days
  - B 1 or 2 days
  - © 3 or 4 days
  - D 5 or 6 days
    E 7 days
- 61. During the past 7 days, on how many days did you ride in a car with someone who was smoking cigarettes?
  - (A) 0 days
  - 1 or 2 days
     3 or 4 days

  - ① 5 or 6 days ② 7 days
- 62 Which statement best describes the rules about smoking inside your home?
  - Smoking is not allowed anywhere inside my home
  - Smoking is allowed in some places or at some times
  - © Smoking is allowed anywhere in my home
- There are no rules about smoking in my home
- 63. Do you think the smoke from other people's cigarettes is harmful to you?
  - A Definitely yes
  - B Probably yes
  - © Probably not
  - Definitely not
- 64. Does anyone who lives with you now smoke cigarettes?
  - A Yes
  - ® No
- 65. How many of your four closest friends smoke cigarettes?
  - A None
  - **®** One
  - © Two
  - Three
  - **(E)** Four
  - Not sure

#### The next questions ask about your thoughts about tobacco.

- 66. Do you think that you will try a cigarette soon?
  - I have already tried smoking cigarettes
  - **B** Yes
  - © No
- 67. Do you think you will smoke a cigarette at anytime during the next year?
  - A Definitely yes
  - B Probably yes
  - © Probably not
  - Definitely not
- 68. Do you think you will be smoking cigarettes 5 years from now?
  - A I definitely will
  - B I probably will
  - © I probably will not
  - D I definitely will not
- 69. If one of your best friends offered you a cigarette, would you smoke it?
  - A Definitely yes
  - B Probably yes
  - © Probably not
  - Definitely not
- 70. Has either of your parents (or guardians) told you not to smoke cigarettes in the past 12 months?
  - (A Mother (female guardian) only
  - B Father (male guardian) only
  - © Both
  - Neither
- 71. Do you think it is safe to smoke for only a year or two, as long as you guit after that?
  - A Definitely yes
  - B Probably yes
  - © Probably not
  - Definitely not
- 72. Do you think smoking cigarettes makes young people look cool or fit in?
  - A Definitely yes
  - B Probably yes
  - © Probably not
  - Definitely not

Some tobacco companies make items like sports gear, t-shirts, lighters, hats, jackets, and sunglasses that people can buy or receive free.

- 73. Would you ever use or wear something that has a tobacco company name or picture on it such as a lighter, t-shirt, hat, or sunglasses?
  - A Definitely yes
  - ® Probably yes© Probably not

  - Definitely not

The next questions ask about events you may have attended or what you have seen or heard on the TV, radio, movies, billboards, signs, newspapers, magazines, stores, or the Internet.

- 74. During the past 30 days, how many times did you hear anti-smoking commercials on the radio?
  - (A) I did not listen to the radio in the past 30 days
  - B None
  - © 1 to 3 times in the past 30 days
  - 1 to 3 times per week
  - © Daily or almost daily
  - More than once a day
- 75. During the past 30 days, how many times did you see anti-smoking commercials on TV?
  - (A) I did not watch TV in the past 30 days
  - **®** None
  - © 1 to 3 times in the past 30 days
  - 1 to 3 times per week
  - Daily or almost daily
  - More than once a day
- 76. During the past 30 days, how many times did you see anti-smoking messages in magazines or newspapers?
  - (A) I did not read magazines or newspapers in the past 30 days

- B None
- © 1 to 3 times in the past 30 days
- 1 to 3 times per week
- © Daily or almost daily
- More than once a day
- When you are using the Internet, how often do you see ads for tobacco products?
  - (A) I do not use the Internet
  - Most of the time
  - © Some of the time
  - Hardly ever Never
- 78. Movies rated G, PG, and PG-13 should not show actors smoking.
  - A Strongly agree
  - B Agree
  - © Disagree
  - Strongly disagree
- 79. Actors smoking in movies do not encourage smoking among teens.
  - A Strongly agree
  - B Agree
  - © Disagree
  - Strongly disagree
- 80. Actors I saw smoking in movies were attractive to me.
  - A Strongly agree
  - B Agree
  - © Disagree
  - Strongly disagree

- 81. When you read newspapers or magazines, how often do you see ads or promotions for cigarettes and other tobacco products?
  - A I do not read newspapers or magazines
  - All of the time
  - © Most of the time
  - Some of the time
  - E Hardly ever
  - Never
- 82. When you go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station, how often do you see ads for cigarettes and other tobacco products or items that have tobacco company names or pictures on them?
  - A I never go to a convenience store, supermarket, or gas station
  - B All of the time
  - © Most of the time
  - Some of the time
  - E Hardly ever
  - Never

- 83. When you go to a festival, fair, parade or concert, how often do you see ads for cigarettes or other tobacco products?
  - (A) I never go to a festival, fair, parade, or concert
  - All of the time
  - © Most of the time
  - Some of the time
  - E Hardly ever
  - **(E)** Never

# Thank you for participating in this survey.

