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## Continuation Study

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## OK, let's get started!!!

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I will read you the questions. You give the answer that is MOST TRUE FOR YOU. Please remember that there are no right or wrong answers - we just want your honest opinions. The first set of questions asks about HOW MUCH YOU AGREE with statements about your school and teachers, your friends, and your parents.

- If you Really Do Not Agree with the statement (Disagree A LOT), circle the 1
- If you do not agree with the statement (Disagree a little), circle the 2
- If you agree with the statement (Agree a little), circle the 3
- If you Really Agree with the statement (Agree A LOT), circle the 4
- Completely and neatly circle the numbers.
- To change your answer, please cross out the wrong choice and then circle the correct one.
- Please follow the instructor and do not work ahead. Also, please do not talk during the survey or share your answers with others.

Do you have any questions before we begin?
A. This first set of questions asks what you think about your school.
DO YOU AGREE with the followingstatements?1. Students at this school really care about each other2. Students at this school are willing to go out of their way tohelp someone.
$\qquad$3. When I'm in class, I join in on class discussions.
$\qquad$4. When l'm having a problem, some other student will helpme.
$\qquad$5. I try hard to do well in school.
$\qquad$6. Students feel afraid that someone will bully them atschool.
7. In class, I work as hard as I can. ..... 1
8. Teachers and students treat each other with respect inthis school.
$\qquad$9. I pay attention in class
$\qquad$10. Students feel afraid that someone will hurt them atschool.11. When I am in class, I listen very carefully.
$\qquad$12. People care about each other in this school.
$\qquad$13. When I'm in class, I just pretend like I'm working.
$\qquad$14. Students at this school work together to solve problems.15. I don't try very hard at school.
$\qquad$16. Students in this school don't seem to like each other verywell.
$\qquad$17. Students in this school are just looking out forthemselves
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## DO YOU AGREE with the following statements?

18. In class, I only work as much as I have to so I don't get in trouble.
19. Students feel afraid that someone will tease them at school.
20. Students in this school treat each other with respect.
21. When I'm in class, I think about other things. $\qquad$
22. My school is like a family. $\qquad$
23. The students in this school don't really care about each other. $\qquad$
24. Other students are afraid that someone will hurt them at school. $\qquad$25. When I'm in class, my mind wanders.
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25. Students feel safe at this school. $\qquad$
26. I feel that I can talk to the teachers in this school about things that are bothering me.
27. Teachers and students in this school don't seem to like each other.
28. Students in this school help each other, even if they are not friends.

## B. The next questions are about your school work.

HOW WELL CAN YOU ... | Not |
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1. Finish homework assignments by
the deadlines?.............................
2. Study when there are other
interesting things to do? .............
3. Concentrate on school subjects?
4. Take notes about what is being taught in class? $\qquad$
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5. Use the library to get information for class assignments? $\qquad$
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6. Plan your schoolwork? $\qquad$ 1
7. Organize your schoolwork? $\qquad$ 1
8. Remember information presented 1 in class and textbooks? $\qquad$
9. Arrange a place to study without distractions?

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10. Motivate yourself to do schoolwork? $\qquad$ 1
11. Participate in class discussions? 1
12. Learn mathematics?..................... 1
13. Learn science? $\qquad$ 1
14. Learn reading and writing skills?

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15. Learn to use computers? $\qquad$ 1
16. Learn social studies?

## C. The next set of questions also asks about your school.

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Hardly <br>
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1. Students work hard for good grades in classes
2. Students try hard to get the best grades they can. $\qquad$
3. Grades are very important to students.

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4. Students work hard to complete their assignments.

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5. Students put a lot of energy into what they do here.

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6. New and different ways of teaching are tried in classes.

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7. New ideas are tried out here $\qquad$
8. Teachers like students to try unusual projects.
9. In classes, we are given assignments to help us find out about things outside of school.

## D. This set of questions asks you about things that you might have experienced in your life since the end of last school year.

## For the items listed below, please indicate whether each situation has happened to you since the end of last school year.

1. Your parent lost his/her job. .................................................................... 1.
2. You had a serious problem with a teacher or principal. ............................... 1 2
3. You were threatened with a weapon. ......................................................... 1
4. Your parents separated or divorced. ......................................................... 1.
5. You did poorly on an exam or school assignment. ...................................... 1
6. You were excluded from a group because of your race, ethnicity, or culture. 1
7. A close family member was seriously ill or injured. ..................................... 1 2
8. Kids made fun of you because of the way you look. .................................... 1 2
9. A teacher or principal criticized you in front of other students. ..................... 1 2
10. You were unfairly accused of something because of your race or ethnicity. . 1
11. A close family member died. ..................................................................... 1
12. You saw a student who was treated badly or discriminated against. ............ 1 2
13. You moved far away from family and friends. ............................................. 1.2
14. You parent(s) remarried. ......................................................................... 1.
15. You had something of value (valued over \$5) stolen. .................................. 1
16. You were pressured to do drugs or drink alcohol. ........................................ 1
17. You heard other people making jokes about your ethnic or racial group. ..... 1 2
18. You were attacked by someone not in your family. ...................................... 1.2
19. You were pressured against your will to join a gang. ................................... 1 2
20. Someone broke into your home or damaged it. .......................................... 1 2
21. Friends criticized you for hanging out with other groups. .............................. 1
For the items listed below, please indicate whether each situation has happened to you since the end of last school year.
22. Someone threatened to beat you up. ..... 1 ..... 2
23. You were called a racial name that was a putdown. ..... 1 ..... 2
24. You had an argument or fight with a friend. ..... 1 ..... 2
25. Someone put you down for practicing the traditions or customs of your race, ethnicity, culture, or religion. ..... 1 ..... 2
26. Other kids tried to fight with you. ..... 1 ..... 2
27. A close friend died ..... 1 ..... 2
28. Your family moved to a new home or apartment. ..... 1 ..... 2
29. Someone in your family got married. ..... 1

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30. You had a new baby come into your family. ..... 1 ..... 2
31. Someone moved out of your home. ..... 1 ..... 2

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32. You changed schools. ..... 1 ..... 2
33. You lived in a foster home. ..... 1 ..... 2

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## E. Could you do this?

Next are some things that could happen to you and things you might say to another person. For each, circle how hard or easy it would be for you to do that. Mark one choice for each statement.

REALLY Sort of Sort of REALLY EASY! easy hard HARD!

1. Some kids are teasing your friend. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell them to stop? 1

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2. Some kids are deciding what game to play. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell them about 1 2 3
3. A kid cuts in front of you in line. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell the kid not to cut in front 1

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| 4. | A kid wants to do something that will get you into trouble. How easy or hard would it be for you to ask the kid to do something else? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
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| 5. | Some kids are making fun of someone in your classroom. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell them to stop? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 6. | Some kids need more people to be on their team. How easy or hard would it be for you to ask to be on their team? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 7. | A kid always wants to be first when you play a game. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell the kid that you are going first? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 8. | Your class is going on a trip and everyone needs a partner. How easy or hard would it be for you to ask someone to be your partner? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 9. | A kid does not like your friend. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell the kid to be nice to your friend? $\qquad$ | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
|  | Some kids are going to lunch. How easy or hard would it be for you to ask if you can sit with them? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
|  | A group of kids wants to play a game that you don't like. How easy or hard would it be for you to ask them to play a game that you like? $\qquad$ | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| 12. | A kid is yelling at you. How easy or hard would it be for you to tell the kid to stop? | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| F. What do you think about how kids act? |  |  |  |  |  |
| For each of these statements, please tell us whether YOU think it's OK or NOT OK for kids to do these things. Mark one answer for each statement. |  |  |  |  |  |

5. It is wrong to insult (that is put down or make fun of) other people.
6. It is wrong to take it out on others by saying mean things when you're mad.
7. It is wrong to get into physical fights with others.
8. It is OK to take your anger out on others by using physical force.

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## G. How does this make you feel? Below are some things that can happen to kids every day. Think about how YOU feel, or would feel when these things happen to you. Remember, your answers are private and no one will know how you answered.

Yes Sometimes ..... No

1. When I'm mean to someone, I usually feel bad about it later

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1 ..... 2 ..... 3
2. I'm happy when the teacher says my friend did a goodjob.1223
3. I would get upset if I saw someone hurt an animal. ..... 1 ..... 2
4. I understand how other kids feel.

$\qquad$5. I would feel bad if my mom's friend got sick
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6. Other people's problems really bother me

$\qquad$ ..... 1 ..... 27. I feel happy when my friend gets a good grade.1
9. I would feel bad if the kid sitting next to me got in trouble. $\qquad$3
10. It's easy for me to tell when my mom or dad has a good day at work. $\qquad$
11. It bothers me when my teacher doesn't feel well
12. I feel sorry for kids who can't find anyone to hang out
with. ...............................................................
12. I feel sorry for kids who can't find anyone to hang out
with. ................................................................
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12. I feel sorry for kids who can't find anyone to hang out
with. ...............................................................
13. Seeing a kid who is crying makes me feel like crying.
14. If two kids are fighting, someone should stop it. ....
15. It would bother me if my friend got grounded $\qquad$ 12
16. When I see someone who is happy, I feel happy too.

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## H. Things that kids do.

Below are some things that kids do from time to time. How often in the past couple of weeks has each happened to you? Think about what has really happened, not what could have happened but didn't. Your answers are private and no one will see how you answered, not even your teacher.

|  | Never | Once or twice | A few times | Many times |
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| 1. At school or someplace else, I helped someone who was hurt. $\qquad$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 2. I teased a kid at school. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 3. I was sent home from school for bad behavior. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4. At school or someplace else, I cheered up someone who was feeling sad. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 5. I was loud or made so much noise at school that I got in trouble. $\qquad$ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 6. I pushed, shoved, or hit a kid from school. ....... | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 7. At school or someplace else, I helped someone who was being picked on. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 8. I called a kid at school a bad name. ................ | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 9. At school or someplace else, I helped someone who fell down. | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

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10. I said that I would hit a kid at school. $\qquad$
11. At school or someplace else, I got help for someone who was hurt.12. I left out another kid on purpose.
13. At school or someplace else, I helped an older person.
14. I made up something about other students to makeother kids not like them anymore.
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15. At school or someplace else, I stopped a kid from hurting another kid.

$\qquad$016. A kid from school teased me.
$\qquad$017. At school or someplace else, I helped a youngerchild who was lost.
$\qquad$018. A kid from school pushed, shoved, or hit me. ..019. A kid from school called me a bad name.
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20. I broke or ruined something on purpose that belonged to the school. $\qquad$
21. Kids from my school said that they were going to hit me. $\qquad$of the other students' tests.
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24. I copied other students' homework or copied
25. A student made up something about me to makeother kids not like me anymore.
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## I. This part of the survey is about Very Important Adults (VIAs).

Very Important Adults are adults (persons 18 years-old or older) who:
you count on and are there for you
believe in you and care deeply about you
make you want to do your best
make a difference in what you do and the choices you make

1. Do you have a parent or other person who has helped raised you who is a Very Important Adult? (circle your answer) YES NO
2. Besides your parents or the person(s) who raised you, do you happen to have any other Very Important Adults in your life right now? (circle your answer)

> YES NO

If you answered NO, you should go to Section J, "People in My Life", ON THE NEXT PAGE and answer all of the questions there.

If you answered YES, please tell us below who the Very Important Adults (VIAs) are in your life. Just write each VIA's relationship to you. For example: basketball coach, teacher, neighbor, aunt, or friend of the family. If there are more than 4 VIAs in your life, just choose the 4 who are most important to you at this time. Please answer the questions provided for each VIA you list.

| OTHER Very Important ADULTS (not | When did this person become a Very Important Adult in your life? (check only 1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Is thispersonsomeoneyou seat atschool? |  |
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| *Only write down persons who are VERY IMPORTANT Adults in your life-ju the other lines blank. *Never write more than person on a line. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Before } \\ & \text { s.ared } \\ & \text { santici } \\ & \text { grade } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2^{2^{n d}} \\ & \text { grad } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 3^{3^{d}} \\ \text { grade } \end{gathered}$ | $4_{\text {grade }}^{\text {gra }}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5^{n^{2}} \\ \text { grade } \end{gathered}$ | ${ }_{\text {drade }}^{\text {gra }}$ | L Last | $\begin{aligned} & \text { This } \\ & \text { shol } \\ & \hline \text { year } \end{aligned}$ | Yes | No |
| 1. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 2. <br> Are you sure this person is over 18? | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| ${ }^{3}$ A. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| 4. | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |

## Circle the Very Important Adult who is most important to you.

## J. People in My Life

## HOW MUCH OF THE TIME do the following things happen to you?

1. You do something fun with your friends.
2. You do something fun with your family.
3. You do something fun with teachers or other adults at school.
4. You get help from friends about solving a problem.
5. You get help from your family about solving a problem.
6. You get help from teachers or other adults at school about solving a problem.
7. You talk to your friends about something that is bothering you.
8. You talk to a member of your family about something that is bothering you.
9. You talk to teachers or other adults at school about something that is bothering you.
10. Your friends do something to help you feel good about yourself. $\qquad$
11. Your family does something to help you feel good about yourself.
12. Teachers or other adults at school do something to help you feel good about yourself. $\qquad$
13. Your friends do something to help you show positive behavior. $\qquad$
14. Your family does something to help you show positive behavior. $\qquad$
15. Teachers or other adults at school do something to help you show positive behavior.
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## K. Understanding and Handling Emotions

Instructions: Please answer by putting a circle around the number that best shows how much you agree or disagree with each sentence below. If you strongly disagree with a sentence, circle a number close to 1 . If you strongly agree with a sentence, circle a number close to 7 . If you're not too sure if you agree or disagree, circle a number close to 4 . Work quickly, but carefully. There are no right or wrong answers.

|  | Completely Disagree |  |  |  |  |  | Completely Agree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. It's easy for me to talk about my feelings to other people | , | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2. I often find it hard to see things from someone else's point of view | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 3. I'm a very motivated person .................. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 4. I find it hard to control my feelings | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 5. My life is not enjoyable ......................... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 6. I'm good at getting along with my classmates | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 7. I change my mind often . | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8. I find it hard to know exactly what emotion I'm feeling. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 9. I'm comfortable with the way I look. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 10. I find it hard to stand up for my rights .... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 11. I can make other people feel better when I want to. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 12. Sometimes, I think my whole life is going to be miserable | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 13. Sometimes, others complain that I treat them badly | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 14. I find it hard to cope when things change in my life. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 15. I'm able to deal with stress ................. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 16. I don't know how to tell the people close to me that I care about them. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 17. I'm able to "get into someone's shoes" and feel their emotions $\qquad$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 18. I find it hard to keep myself motivated..... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 19. I can control my anger when I want to..... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 20. I'm happy with my life .......................... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 21. I would describe myself as a good negotiator | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 22. Sometimes, I get involved in things I later wish I could get out of. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 23. I pay a lot of attention to feelings ............ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 24. I feel good about myself ....................... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 25. I tend to "back down" even if I know I'm right. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 26. I'm unable to change the way other people feel | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 27. I believe that things will work out fine in my life $\qquad$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 28. Sometimes, I wish I had a better relationship with my parents | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 29. I'm able to cope well in new environments | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 30. I try to control my thoughts and not worry too much about things | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

L. The questions below ask about the Positive Action program. It's OK if you don't know what this program is. You might have never heard about Positive Action before. For each question, give the answer that is closest to your own experience.

1. Have you heard of the Positive Action program?

During this school year, have you ...
2. talked about the Positive Action program in any of your classes? $\qquad$

Never
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3. talked about the Positive Action program at home with your parents? $\qquad$ 1

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4. participated in a special Positive Action event at your school (for example, an assembly)? ...............
5. been taught a Positive Action lesson? $\qquad$ 1

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6. Do you have any brothers or sisters who go to your school?
7. If you answered "Yes" to Question 6, which grade(s) are they in? $\qquad$

## Now, some questions about you:

1. Are you a boy or girl?
2. What grade are you in?
3. How old are you?

1 Boy
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2 Girl
Grade
Years Old
4. What month were you born in?

| January | 1 | May | 5 | September |
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| February | 2 | June | 6 | October |
| 10 |  |  |  |  |
| March | 3 | July | 7 | November |
| 11 |  |  |  |  |
| April | 4 | August | 8 | December | 12

5. What day of the month is your birthday?
6. What year were you born?
7. What grades have you been getting this year in school?

| Mostly A's | 9 | Mix of B's and C's | 6 | Mostly D's | 3 |
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| Mix of A's and B's | 8 | Mostly C's | 5 | Mix of D's and F's | 2 |
| Mostly B's | 7 | Mix of C's and D's | 4 | Mostly F's | 1 |

8. What race/ethnicity are you (choose all that apply)?

| White | 1 |  | Latino/Hispanic | 4 |
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| Black/African-American | 2 |  | Asian-American | 5 |
| Native American | 3 | Other: |  |  |

9. How many people (including you) live in your household?
10. How is each person in your household related to you?

Please check all that apply

- Mother
- Stepmother
- Foster mother
- Grandmother
- Sister
- Stepsister
- Aunt
- Niece
- Female cousin
- Other female relative
- Father's partner/significant other/girlfriend
- Other adult female
- Other non-related female child
- Father
- Stepfather
- Foster father
- Grandfather
- Brother
- Stepbrother

Uncle
Nephew
Male cousin
Other male relative
Mother's partner/significant other/boyfriend
Other adult male
Other non-related male child

