APPENDIX A

Explanation of Terms Used

Informant

Any person related or unrelated to the subject or the previous personality of a rebirth case, who furnished information about what the subject said or how he otherwise behaved in a particular manner in his presence; or any person who knew about the previous personality of a case from direct association with him, and who is therefore qualified to be a firsthand witness about the previous personality.

Intermission

This term has been used interchangeably with "time-interval. This refers to the period between death and presumed rebirth of a person.

Medium

A person who in trance receives messages purporting to come from the deceased and transmits them to the living.

Metempsychosis

This word has generally acquired the meaning of reincarnation of a human personality in the body of a subhuman animal or, conversely, the reincarnation of a subhuman animal in a human body. The term has been used in the same sense in the present context. The word "transmigration" usually has the
parakayapravesha

Technically speaking, this is a voluntary process of leaving one's own body and then entering and functioning in another (dead) body. The power to do this is acquired by certain psycho-physical (yogic) exercises. The phenomenon has also been referred to as "Parasharira-Vivesh" in "Vibhuti-Pada" (sutra 38) of Yoga Sutra. In its expression the outward features may resemble a case of "Bhuta-Cheshta" or "Bhuta-Grah" (possession), and hence can be misidentified by some observers.

Parapsychology

The term "parapsychology" refers to that branch of psychology which deals with the phenomena for which no physical cause has yet been discovered. Basically this refers to the phenomena subsumed under the general term "psi," which in its motor aspect is called "psychokinesis" (popularly known as PK, the direct action of mind over matter) and in its sensory aspect, "extrasensory perception" (generally used in its shortened form as ESP). ESP includes clairvoyance, or the extrasensory awareness of an object or objective event; telepathy, a mental communication between persons without the use of any sensory channels; precognition, non-inferential foreknowledge of future events; and recognition, knowledge of the past not based on normal processes of memory.
Reincarnation

The term has been defined in the chapter on Present Study. Among the other words used for the concept of reincarnation by different authors are "palingenesis," "transmigration," "pre-existence," and "metempsychosis." The Greek word "palingenesis" derives from "palin" (back or again) and "genesis" (origin or production) which is equivalent to the Sanskrit terms "Punarjanma" (again birth) and "Samsara" (the round of births and deaths). According to Head and Cranston (1967), "The word 'transmigration' has been so frequently misused to suggest the birth of humans into animal forms—a complete reversal of the natural evolutionary process—that it is hardly satisfactory for general use." However, it has been observed that the term "transmigration" has been used interchangeably with the term "reincarnation." The term "metempsychosis" seems to derive from "metem" (change) and "psyche" (soul). Head and Cranston interpret this word as meaning the evolution of the soul through a process of rebirth, thus equating change with growth. This concept is in agreement with Sri Aurobindo's ideology (1969).

Revival

This term refers to the concept of "temporary death." The person in question appears to be clinically dead, but regains life after some time. A detailed report of such cases has been published by Moody (1975).

The concept differs from that of "Parakayaprvavesh." In
the latter case the "soul" of the dead enters into another physical body, whereas in a revival case it comes back to the same body.

**Sensitive**

Any person who is "psychic," that is, who has frequent paranormal experiences and can at times induce them at will; similar to "medium," except that communications purporting to come from deceased persons are usually not involved. A sensitive derives his knowledge of events and persons through clairvoyant and telepathic abilities.

**Soul**

This term is used for that portion of a person that is, according to the concept of reincarnation, capable of surviving physical death. In the context of the present study, the words "mind" and "personality" are regarded as approximately synonymous.

**Xenoglossy**

The term "xenoglossy" refers to cases in which a person speaks a real language entirely unknown to him in his ordinary state of consciousness. Xenoglossy has been further divided into two subgroups: recitative xenoglossy and responsive xenoglossy. In recitative xenoglossy, the subject can express phrases and sometimes longer passages of a foreign language. Such recitation may occur without the subject having acquired the ability to converse in the language. In responsive xenoglossy, on the other hand, the subject can converse intelligently in the foreign language.
APPENDIX B

Identification of the Subjects in Terms Of Initials and Geographical Location

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Mother

Mother's

Education

Language(s)

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Tongue
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Siblings in order of Birth


Spouse

Other Important Members of Family


Subject's Occupation

Social Position

Place of Birth

Date of Birth

Date of Birth

Childhood Residence

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Other Notes of Investigations

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Geographical Distance between Place of Death (P.P.) and Subject's Place of Birth in year.

Relationship between families of subject and previous family (Circle one):

Immedi-

Family

Same Extended Family

Distantly Related

No Familial Relationship

case there is a relationship, draw genealogy on separate page to show connections.

Significant Features of the Case and Remarks

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# CASES OF REINCARNATION TYPE

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ence ESP - Yes No

l small body - Yes No

re previous family - Yes No

ledge of rebirth

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ality change during recall - Yes No

emotion during

(e.g., tears) - Yes No

ical symptoms during recall - Yes No

ed state of consciousness during recall - Yes No

ory stimulation

usses memories often - Yes No.

l cause of death - Yes No

l event immediately

eding death - Yes No

lessy - Yes No

umber of lives recalled

ntermission - Yes No

call other realm - Yes No

ct between families

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formation available through one source - Yes No

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ed other circumstances - Yes No

al circumstances (incl. emotion) at death

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APPENDIX D

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COMPUTER CODING SHEET FOR REBIRTH CASES
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Card Number One

Subject Case Number

Country of origin of S

Country of birth of S
Place:

Country of residence of S
Place:

Race of S

Tribe of S

Religion of S

Mother tongue of S

Does S speak other languages competently?
1--Yes
2--No
If Yes, see Card 6, Col. 10

Date of latest substantial personal information about or visit with S or S's family

Sex of S
1--Male 2--Female

Birthdate of S

Reliability of S's birthdate
1--Precise, based on certificate
2--Probably precise, based on memory
3--Probably reliable within 6 months
4--Reliable within one year
5--Reliable within five years

Social status of S
1--High upper
2--Medium upper
3--Lower upper
4--High middle
5--Middle
6--Lower middle
7--High lower
8--Middle lower
9--Lowest

Economic status of S
[Same code as Col. 50, Card 1]

Population of childhood residence
1--Less than 1,000
2--1,000 to 2,500
3--2,500 to 10,000
4--10,000 to 250,000
5--250,000 to 1,000,000
6--Over 1,000,000

Place:

What was/is the occupation of S's father?

What is the educational level of S's father?
1--No school or illiterate
2--At least some elementary school
3--Completed elementary school
4--Some high school
5--Completed high school
6--Some college
7--Completed college
8--Graduate degree
What was/is the occupation of S's mother?

What is S's occupation?

What is the highest grade of school completed by S at age 10?

What was the highest grade of school attained by S upon leaving school or university?

Are S's parents related?

1--Yes, first cousins (Cross-cousins)
2--Yes, first cousins (Parallel cousins)
3--Yes, other cousins
4--Yes, distantly related, but relationship cannot be specified
5--No

Birth order of S

1--First child
2--Second child
3--Third child
4--Fourth child
5--Fifth child
6--Sixth child
7--Seventh child
8--Eighth child
9--Ninth child or more

Total number of children in S's family, including S

1--S only
2--Two
3--Three
4--Four
5--Five
6--Six
7--Seven
8--Eight
9--Nine or more

Age (in months) of first speech in coherent phrases by S

Marital status of S

1--Single
2--Married
3--Common-law marriage
4--Widowed
5--Divorced
6--Separated

Age (in years) of S at time of marriage

Subject Case Number

Death date of S

Reliability of S's death date

Mode of S's death

Suddenness of S's death

Age (in years) of S at time of marriage

--- End Card One ---
Was S clear in consciousness at moment of death or in a coma?
1--Clear in consciousness at time of death
2--Cloudy because of drugs
3--Cloudy because of degenerative illness
4--Cloudy because of head injury
5--Comatose (unresponsive) because of drugs
6--Comatose because of illness
7--Comatose because of head injury
Write actual cause of death, if known

Age (in months) of S at time of first imaged memories or dreams

Type of dream experienced by S that included imaged memories
1--Extremely vivid
2--Vivid
3--Nonvivid

Memorability of dream
1--Remembered years later as clearly as just after dreaming
2--Some fading of clarity of memory of dream but more memorable than average dream of dreamer
3--Somewhat more memorable than other dreams
4--No more memorable than other dreams

Does S have a recurring dream or dreams about a previous life?
1--Yes  2--No

Age (in months) that S first spoke of previous life

Does S have any birthmarks?
1--Yes, one
2--Yes, two
3--Yes, three
4--Yes, four
5--Yes, five
6--Yes, six
7--Yes, seven
8--Yes, eight or more
9--No

Do birthmarks or deformities correspond to a fatal wound of previous personality?
1--Yes, verified by medical records
2--Yes, verified by relatives or friends of PP
3--Yes, S claims correspondence, but not verified
4--No correspondence

Do birthmarks or deformities correspond to a nonfatal wound of PP?
[Same code as Col. 30, Card 2]

Does S exhibit a pigmentation abnormality similar to the PP?
[Same code as Col. 30, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any other marking similar to the PP?
[Same code as Col. 30, Card 2]

Was any mark, e.g., scar or stain, selected pre-natally as a sign of recognition?
1--Yes  2--No

Does S have a disease or infirmity related to the PP?
1--Yes, verified
2--Disease present, but not known if related to PP
3--No

Are there any other physical resemblances between the S and the PP other than birthmarks or deformities, e.g., facial expression, gait, etc.?
[Same code as Col. 30, Card 2]
Is the S left-handed?
1--Yes, S and PP
2--Yes, S is, PP was not
3--Yes, S is, PP unknown
4--No, S is not, PP was
5--No, S is not, PP unknown
6--No, neither S nor PP

Does S exhibit any unusual clothing habits?
1--Yes, related to previous life
2--Yes, not known if related to previous life
3--No

Does S exhibit any unusual dietary cravings or unusual avoidances?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any unusual methods of eating or unusual table manners?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any unusual animosities?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any revengeful feelings associated with the previous life?
1--Yes, persisting up to age 8
2--Yes, persisting up to age 14
3--Yes, persisting up to age 20
4--Yes, persisting beyond age 20
5--No

Does S exhibit any unusual phobias?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any unusual affections?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any unusual philias?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S exhibit any unusual skills or aptitudes?
[Same code as Col. 38, Card 2]

Does S seem to exhibit any reliving of previous life other than in play?
1--Yes
2--No
[To code play related to the previous life, see Col. 43, Card 6]

What is S's attitude toward the value to him of remembering a previous life?
1--It is/has been helpful
2--It is/has been unpleasant, but not harmful
3--It is/has been harmful
4--It has made no difference
5--S is still too young for comment

Which life does S prefer?
1--Present life
2--Previous life
3--Neutral or variable
4--Too young or otherwise unable to comment

Does S recall name or nickname of PP?
1--Yes
2--No

Does S ask or insist on being called by the name of the PP?
1--Yes, prefers previous name
2--Yes, asks definitely for previous name
3--Yes, insists
4--Yes, will not respond except to previous name
5--No

Involvement or absorption in previous life memories
1--Totally absorbed, at least for a time, with neglect of current events
2--Considerably absorbed to the point of being less effective in ordinary life, e.g., at school
3--Somewhat absorbed with (e.g., day-dreaming about) previous life when should be attending to current events
4--No interference from memories with attention to current events
Detail in recall of mode of death of PP
1--Recalls nothing at all
2--Recalls slightly
3--Recalls generally clearly
4--Recalls clearly with many details
5--Recalls totally

Verified accuracy of recall of mode of death of PP
1--Recalls nothing at all
2--Recalls with major inaccuracies
3--Recalls with general accuracy
4--Recalls with accuracy in most details
5--Recalls with total accuracy

Indicate here the event closest in time to the death of the PP that S recalls
1--Within last hour of life
2--Within last 24 hours of life
3--Within last week of life
4--Within last month of life
5--Within six months of death
6--Between 6 and 12 months before death
7--Between 1 and 5 years before death
8--Between 6 and 20 years before death
9--Greater than 20 years before death

Indicate here the event farthest removed in time to the death of the PP
[Same code as Col. 55, Card 2]

Does S recall the funeral of the PP?
1--Yes, details verified
2--Yes, details not verified
3--No

Does S recall other terrestrial events involving others besides himself between the death of PP and birth of S?
1--Yes
2--No

Does S recall an existence in other realms?
1--Yes, great abundance of detail
2--Yes, some detail
3--Yes, but little detail
4--No

Is S content with his/her present sex?
1--Yes
2--Yes, generally content
(judged by principal investigator)
3--No, generally discontent
(judged by PI)
4--No, substantially discontent
(judged by PI)
5--No, extremely discontent
(judged by PI)
6--No according to S only
7--No according to friends and relatives of S only
8--No, according to S and friends and relatives of S

Does S exhibit any behavior related to that of the opposite sex?
1--Yes
2--No, according to S only
3--No, according to friends and relatives of S
4--No, according to S and friends and relatives of S

Does S exhibit any physical attributes of the opposite sex?
[Same code as Col. 61, Card 2]

Age (in months) that S's memory of previous life began to fade
[63-65]

After what incident, if any, did S's memories of previous life begin to fade?
1--After visit to previous place
2--After meeting person(s) from previous life
3--After start of school
4--After definite measures to suppress
5--Other
Age (in months) that S's memories of a previous life had almost completely faded
Does S claim no fading of memories?
1--Yes, claims no fading
2--No, claims fading
3--S claims no fading of memories but evidence suggests that some distortion or fading of memories has occurred
4--S claims fading, but it seems likely that S still recalls and does not wish to talk of previous life
Intelligence of S, based on judgment of parents
1--Exceptional, superior
2--Above normal intelligence
3--Normal intelligence
4--Below normal intelligence
5--Noticeably dull or slow
Intelligence of S, based on judgment of teachers (only if interviewed)
[Same code as Col. 71, Card 2]
I.Q. of S., if tested
Intelligence of S, based on judgment of investigator and/or investigating team
[Same code as Col. 71, Card 2]
***** END CARD TWO *****
Does S exhibit an adult attitude?
1--Yes, extremely adult attitude in comparison to S's age
2--Yes, moderately adult attitude
3--Yes, slightly adult attitude
4--No
Does S exhibit rapid learning in school?
1--Yes, extremely rapid, according to parents or other well-informed member of S's family
2--Yes, extremely rapid, according to teachers
3--Yes, moderately rapid, according to parents or other well-informed member of S's family
4--Yes, moderately rapid, according to teachers
5--No
Does S seem to be more mature (responsible or serious) for his age than children of the same age known to the informant?
1--Yes, far more mature
2--Yes, somewhat more mature
3--No
When, if at all, is S's adult attitude present?
1--Occurs during recall only
2--Occurs as a more permanent feature of S
Is S a twin?
1--Yes, S and PP were both identical twins
2--Yes, S and PP were both fraternal twins
3--Yes, S is an identical twin, but PP was not
4--Yes, S is a fraternal twin, but PP was not
5--No, S is not a twin, but PP was
6--No, neither S nor PP were twins
7--S is not a twin, no information about PP
8--PP is not a twin, no information about S
9--PP is a twin, no information about S
Does S claim association in previous life with another member of present family?
1--Yes, when other member of present life was also in a previous life
2--Yes, when other member of present life was in present life
3--No

Does S exhibit any evidence of ESP other than memories of the previous life?
1--Yes, extreme ESP
2--Yes, significant (frequent) ESP
3--Yes, slight ESP
4--No

Does S exhibit some form of ESP (e.g., telepathy) with any members of the family of the PP?
[Same code as Col. 14, Card 3]

Does S express any strong desire or reluctance to return to previous family or place?
1--Strong desire
2--Moderate desire
3--Neutral
4--Moderate reluctance
5--Strong reluctance
6--They live in the same place

Is S conscious of being in a small body or of being physically older than peers?
1--Yes, conscious of being smaller
2--Yes, conscious of being older
3--Yes, conscious of being both older and smaller
4--No

Is S aware of his body being different from that of the PP, other than in qualities of size and physical age (e.g., not having a beard)?
1--Yes
2--No

What was the physical/mental state of S during the first major recall of memories about the previous life?
1--Half awake (drowsy)
2--Awake
3--Dreaming
4--Hypnosis with memory occurring spontaneously
5--Hypnosis with memory sought after
6--Meditation or auto-hypnosis (spontaneous)
7--Meditation or auto-hypnosis (sought after)
8--Physical illness
9--Mental illness
10--Significant life stress
11--Drug intoxication
12--Automatic writing or trance utterances by S

Physical/mental status of S during subsequent or secondary recall of memories
[Same code as Cols. 19-20, Card 3]

Does S express strong interest in country or place associated with PP?
1--Strong interest
2--Moderate interest
3--Neutral
4--Moderate disinterest
5--Strong disinterest
6--They live in the same place

What is the connection, if any, of parents of S to area of importance to PP?
1--Lived in the area
2--Visited the area
3--Had not visited themselves but had relatives there
4--Other
5--None

When does S give information about PP?
1--Spontaneously only
2--On request only
3--Both spontaneously and on request
Is S's family uninterested in or opposed to rebirth in general?
1--Yes, uninterested
2--Yes, opposed
3--Yes, uninterested and opposed
4--No

Initial attitude of S's father towards his/her claims of a previous life
1--Greatly encouraged memories
2--Moderately encouraged memories
3--Slightly encouraged memories
4--More neutral or tolerant
5--Ambivalent, unstable, varying
6--Indifferent
7--Ridiculed, derided or scolded
8--Took nonviolent measures to suppress
9--Took violent measures to suppress

Initial attitude of S's mother towards his/her claims of a previous life
[Same code as Col. 27, Card 3]

Does S evidence a personality change during recall?
1--Extreme (normal personality obliterated)
2--Moderate
3--Slight
4--No change

Does S evidence strong emotion during recall?
1--Extreme emotion (e.g., weeping)
2--Moderate emotion
3--Slight emotion
4--None

Does S evidence physical symptoms during recall?
1--Extreme physical symptoms
2--Moderate
3--Slight
4--No change

Does S give statements about places or persons as they appeared during PP's life, these appearances having changed since?
1--Yes
2--No

How many lives does S claim to remember?
1--One
2--Two
3--Three
4--Four
5--Five
6--Six
7--Seven
8--Eight or more
9--S is identified with a PP but has no imaged memories himself

How many of S's claimed previous lives have been verified?
[Same code as Col. 33, Card 3]

Were S's memories stimulated by a visit to a place associated with the PP?
1--Originally
2--Subsequently
3--Originally and subsequently
4--No

Were S's memories stimulated by meeting persons related to the PP's life?
[Same code as Col. 35, Card 3]

Were S's memories stimulated by events similar to those occurring to the PP?
1--Yes, events traced
2--Yes, events not traced
3--No

Were there any other specific stimulants to S's memory of a previous life?
1--Yes, stimulant related to previous life
2--Yes, stimulant not related to previous life
3--No
4--Not known if stimulus was related to previous life
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<td><strong>Does S feel pressure to give out information about the previous life?</strong></td>
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<td>1--Yes, speaks under great pressure nearly all the time--may speak to self</td>
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<td>2--Yes, considerable pressure to speak</td>
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<td>3--Yes, speaks voluntarily without urging, but with little pressure</td>
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<td>4--No, requires encouragement</td>
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<td><strong>Race of PP</strong></td>
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<td><strong>What tribe was PP a member of?</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Year of latest substantial personal information about or visit with family of PP</strong></td>
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***** END CARD THREE *****

| **Card Number Four** |
| **Subject Case Number** |
| **Sex of PP** |
| **Birthdate of PP** |
| **Reliability of PP's birthdate** |
| **Social status of PP** |
| **Economic status of PP** |

[Same code as Col. 49, Card 1]
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<th>Population of main residence of PP</th>
<th>Suddenness of death of PP</th>
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<td>1--Less than 1,000</td>
<td>[Same code as Col. 18, Card 2]</td>
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<td>2--1,000 to 2,500</td>
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<td>3--2,500 to 10,000</td>
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<td>4--10,000 to 250,000</td>
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<td>5--250,000 to 1,000,000</td>
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<td>6--Over 1,000,000</td>
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<th>Birth order of PP</th>
<th>was PP clear in consciousness at the moment of death or in a coma?</th>
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<td>1--First child</td>
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<td>2--Second child</td>
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<td>8--Eighth child</td>
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<td>9--Ninth child or more</td>
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<th>What was the marital status of PP?</th>
<th>was mode of death of PP independently verified?</th>
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<td>[Same code as Col. 66, Card 1]</td>
<td>1--Yes, reliable death certificate seen</td>
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<td>2--Yes, questionable death certificate seen</td>
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<td>3--Secondary sources verified mode of death, (e.g., residents of village of PP)</td>
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<td>4--No</td>
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<th>If married, how many children did the PP have?</th>
<th>was medical examination record of PP seen?</th>
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<td>0--None</td>
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<th>Death date of PP</th>
<th>Length of intermission (in months) between major previous life and present life</th>
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<th>Reliability of PP's death date</th>
<th>Did the PP have unfinished business in his/her life?</th>
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<td>1--Yes, expressed by PP</td>
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<td>3--Yes, expressed by PP and S</td>
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<th>Country of death of PP</th>
<th>Did PP express a wish to reincarnate?</th>
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<th>Age (in months) of PP at death</th>
<th>Did PP select parents to whom he/she would be reborn?</th>
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<th>Is there any personal association between the PP's family and S's family prior to the development of the case?</th>
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<td>[Same code as Col. 21]</td>
<td>1--Yes, close association</td>
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<td>4--No association</td>
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Is there a biological relationship between S and the PP?
1--Yes, close
2--Yes, distant
3--No
If yes, specify

Is there a marital relationship between S and the PP?
1--Yes, close
2--Yes, distant
3--No
If yes, specify

Distance (in km.) between S's birthplace and the death place of PP by normal means of travel (e.g., roads, rivers, train)
Note: Col. 60 expresses decimal 00000 = Same house to

Distance (in km.) between S's birthplace and death place of PP "as the crow flies"
Note: Col. 65 expresses decimal 00000 = Same house to

Distance (in km.) between S's birthplace and the place of the PP's main residence prior to the death of the PP "as the crow flies"
Note: Col. 70 expresses decimal 00000 = Same house to

Was there a person significant to the PP who has/had an important connection with S's birthplace, place of residence, or family?
1--Yes  2--No

Has any member of S's family and/or friends visited or had social relations in the area of residence of the PP?
1--Yes, prior to the birth of S
2--Yes, following the birth of S
3--Both prior and following birth of S
4--No

Has any member of S's family and/or friends visited or had commercial relations in the area of residence of the PP?
[Same code as Col. 72, Card 4]

Was PP attached to wealth?
1--Yes, extremely, S is also
2--Yes, extremely, S is not
3--Yes, moderately, S is also
4--Yes, moderately, S is not
5--No
6--Yes, extremely, S unknown
7--Yes, moderately, S unknown
8--S is moderately, PP unknown
9--S is extremely, PP unknown

Was the PP philanthropic or generous?
[Same code as Col. 74, Card 4]

Was the PP saintly or devout?
[Same code as Col. 74, Card 4]

Was the PP a criminal, murderer, or the like?
[Same code as Col. 74, Card 4]

Was the PP a meditator?
[Same code as Col. 74, Card 4]

Did the PP have any other specific characteristics?
[Same code as Col. 74, Card 4]

***** END CARD FOUR *****
What was the occupation of the PP?

What was the educational level of the PP?
(Same code as Col. 56, Card 1)

Is the case one of "sex-change?"
1--Yes 2--No

If a sex-change case: Has the Male/Female Emphasis Scale been scored for the S?
1--Yes 2--No

Score on the Male/Female Emphasis Scale

Age (in years) of S at which the Male/Female Emphasis Scale was first scored.

Had the PP expressed a desire to change sex in the previous life?
1--Yes 2--No

Was there a change of religion between S and PP?
1--Yes 2--No

Was there a change of country between S and PP?
1--Yes 2--No

Was there a change of culture within a country between S and PP?
1--Yes 2--No

Was there a change in social status between S and PP?
1--Yes, moved to higher class
2--No change
3--Yes, moved to lower class

What degree of social change was there between S and PP?
1--Great
2--Moderate
3--Small
4--None

Was there a change in economic status between S and PP?
1--Yes, moved to higher class
2--No change
3--Yes, moved to lower class

What degree of economic change was there between S and PP?
1--Great
2--Moderate
3--Small
4--None

Was there a change in emotional environment between S and PP?
1--Yes, moved to happier situation
2--No change
3--Yes, moved to less happy situation

What degree of emotional environment change was there between S and PP?
1--Great
2--Moderate
3--Small
4--No change

Was there an announcing dream about S's birth?
1--Yes, prior to pregnancy
2--Yes, during first 8 months
3--Yes, during last month of pregnancy
4--Yes, following birth of S
5--No

How many people had an announcing dream?
0--None 5--Five
1--One 6--Six
2--Two 7--Seven
3--Three 8--Eight
4--Four 9--Nine or more

To whom did the main announcing dream occur?
1--S's mother
2--Other member of S's immediate family
3--Acquaintance of S's family
4--Member of PP's immediate family
5--Any other member of family of either S or PP
6--Other
Were there any other predictions of rebirth excluding announcing dreams?
1--Yes, by a medium or sensitive
2--Yes, by PP while alive
3--Yes, by marking the dead body of PP
4--Yes, other prediction
5--No

Did the PP remember a previous life?
1--Yes 2--No

How many people, including S, are there in S's family who claim to remember a previous life?
1--One 6--Six
2--Two 7--Seven
3--Three 8--Eight
4--Four 9--Nine or more
5--Five

Was PP identified? If so, by whom?
1--Yes, investigated by University of Virginia
2--Yes, identified by other investigators
3--Yes, identified by S or S's family but not independently
4--No, PP not identified

Did S's mother have any illness or complications of pregnancy or delivery when S was born?
1--Complications and/or illness during pregnancy; delivery normal
2--No complications and/or illness during pregnancy, but delivery abnormal
3--Complications and/or illness of pregnancy and abnormal delivery
4--Normal full-term delivery after uncomplicated pregnancy

Did S's mother during her pregnancy with S take any drugs?
1--Yes 2--No

Write in which drug

Were there any pregnancy cravings or aversions experienced by S's mother?
1--Yes, but not related to previous life
2--Yes, related to previous life
3--Yes, not known whether related to previous life
4--No

Had S's family verified any of S's statements prior to investigation?
1--Yes, all statements
2--Yes, many statements
3--Yes, some statements
4--Yes, but very few statements
5--No, nothing

Have the families of S and PP met?
1--Yes
2--No
3--Same family

If Yes, what was time elapsed (in months) between meeting of S and PP's family and the start of the investigation?

If No, what was the time elapsed (in months) between median time of major recall and the start of the investigation?

Who is the principal investigator of the case?
[See coding manual for all values]

Has there been a second active investigator of the case?
[See coding manual for all values]
Did visits between S's family and PP's family continue after the first year acquaintance was made?  
1--Yes, and up to time of recording of data  
2--Yes, but discontinued later  
3--No

If the visits were discontinued, how many years were they maintained?  

Have gifts been given between the two families?  
1--Yes  2--No

Who gives the gifts?  
1--S or S's family  
2--Family of PP  
3--Both families

Amount of support given to S and/or his family by PP's family  
1--Completely rejecting  
2--Moderately rejecting  
3--Neutral or indifferent  
4--Ambivalent or unstable  
5--Moderately supporting  
6--Completely supporting

How much attention (and/or support) has the S received from persons outside of the two families?  
1--Great  
2--Moderate  
3--Little or none

What was the average number of visits between S's family and PP's family per year?  

If S stayed with the PP's family, how many days was the longest visit?

What is the authenticity of this case?  
1--High  
2--Average  
3--Low

Rating of the case on the Authenticity Rating Scale  
62-63

Richness of case in statements  
64-65

Richness of case in verified statements  
66-67

Was checklist reviewed by the principal field worker?  
1--Yes  2--No

How thoroughly was the case investigated?  
1--Very thoroughly, all major and minor sources investigated  
2--Thoroughly, most major sources and several minor sources investigated  
3--Fairly thoroughly, but several possible sources not investigated  
4--Not too thoroughly, many sources only skimmed or not investigated at all  
5--Not at all thoroughly, even most important sources omitted; very little, if any, information

Date of first substantial investigation and/or making of first written record of main statements or other events of the case
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Age (in months) when S was weaned

Age (in months) when S started to walk

Age (in months) when S achieved bowel and bladder control

Age (in months) when S started monosyllabic speech

Age (in months) when S first used short phrases and sentences in coherent speech

Duration of gestation (in weeks) of the pregnancy when S was born

Were there any important complications of pregnancy before or during S's birth?
1--Yes  2--No

If yes, mention here

Did S's mother take any drugs (including alcohol) during pregnancy with S to the extent that these might have produced fetal damage?
1--Yes  2--No

If yes, mention here

Does S have any ideas about why he was reborn in the present family?
1--S feels it was a least partially his choice
2--S feels that he deserved this for merit
3--S feels he deserved this for demerit
4--S feels he was attracted to a family member(s) with whom he had lived before
5--S feels he had no role in making the choice
6--S has only general ideas about this matter, referring it to God, karma, etc.
7--S has no idea whatever about this

Does S express rancour and vengeful attitudes toward the person(s) who killed the PP?
1--S has expressed verbal anger at PP's murderers but has not threatened to kill them
2--S has been angry at PP's murderers and has attacked them or thrown objects at them but has not threatened to kill them
3--S has verbally threatened to kill the murderers of PP
4--S has attempted physically to kill the murderers of PP
5--No

Does S express memories of the previous life in his/her play?
1--Yes  2--No

Does S exhibit any tendency to take intoxicants, e.g., tobacco or alcohol?
1--Yes, related to the previous life
2--Yes, not known if related to the previous life
3--No

Does S have a phobia for the type of weapon or instrument used to kill him/her in the previous life?
1--Yes  2--No
Does S have a phobia for the place that the PP died?
1--Yes, S has been taken to the place and exhibited a phobia
2--Yes, S expressed a phobia for the place and has not been taken there as a result
3--No, S has been taken to the place and exhibited no phobia
4--No, S has not been taken to the place and has exhibited no phobia

If S expresses a strong desire to return to the previous family or place, does S want to live with the previous family or is S satisfied with visits?
1--Wants to live there
2--Just wants to visit
3--Makes no distinction
4--Families have not yet met or PP not identified

Does S feel that he/she is superior or should be treated differently than others because of the previous life?
1--Yes
2--No

Subsequent attitude (after meeting of S and PP's families) of S's mother towards his/her claims of a previous life
1--Greatly encouraged memories
2--Moderately encouraged memories
3--Slightly encouraged memories
4--More neutral, tolerant memories
5--Ambivalent, unstable, varying
6--Indifferent
7--Ridiculed, derided or scolded
8--Took nonviolent measures to suppress
9--Took violent measures to suppress

Subsequent attitude (after meeting of S and PP's families)
of S's mother towards his/her claims of a previous life
[Same code as Col. 53, Card 6]

Did S express emotion during the first meeting with PP's family?
1--Extreme emotion (e.g., weeping)
2--Moderate emotion
3--Slight emotion
4--None

Did/does S express emotion during subsequent meetings with PP's family?
[Same code as Col. 55, Card 6]

Did one or more members of PP's family express emotion during the first meeting with S?
[Same code as Col. 55, Card 6]

What effort was required by S's parents to identify the PP?
1--None, intra-family case
2--None, S identified family member of PP accidentally
3--None, PP's family visited the S first, having heard of the case
4--Moderate, S's family traveled up to 20 km. at the request of the S to locate the PP
5--Great, S's family traveled more than 20 km. at the request of the S to locate the PP

What interval elapsed (months) between the time when S gave out enough detail to permit tracing PP and the tracing of PP's family by S's family or investigators?

Had one or more principal informants for S's side of the case heard of another case before this one developed?
1--Yes
2--No
If Yes, this other case was
1--In the same place as the present case
2--In another place of the same district and word reached the informant by oral passage
3--In another place of the same district; it was published and the informant heard of it this way
4--In a place outside the S's district, and the informant learned of it through oral passage
5--In a place outside S's district; informant learned of it through publication
6--Informant's knowledge of this case is quite vague; he cannot effectively recall now how he learned about it

Name of place in which the S of this other case resides

Distance (in km.) between residence of this other S and the main S whose case is being coded

This other case of which the informants for PP's side of the case have heard, does it resemble S's case?
1--In almost all important features
2--In more than half the main features
3--In less than half the main features
4--Just a little
5--Not at all; quite a different type of case

Had one or more principal informants for PP's side of the case heard of another case before this one developed?
1--Yes 2--No

If Yes, this other case was
[Same code as Col. 62, Card 6]

Name of place in which the S of this other case resides

Distance (in km.) between residence of this other S and the main S whose case is being coded

This other case of which the informants for PP's side of the case have heard, does it resemble S's case?
[Same code as Col. 65, Card 6]

An informant for this case has filled out the Questionnaire on Belief in Reincarnation
1--Yes No--Leave blank

An informant for this case (including S) has participated in the filling out of the Follow-Up Questionnaire for this case
1--Yes No--Leave blank

Filled out by: __________________________
Date: __________________________
Checked by: __________________________
Date: __________________________
Comments: __________________________
UNUSUAL FEATURES OF CASE (Circle): Sex Change; Birthmark; Marked Promotion; Marked Demotion; International Case; Two Families not yet met; Other

OTHER INFORMATION, e.g., sketch map of how to find house.

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CASE TRACED AND REGISTERED BY

ON DATE

CASE COULD NOT BE TRACED OR REGISTERED FOR FOLLOWING REASON

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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APPENDIX F

Belief in Reincarnation - Pilot Study

1. Do you believe in rebirth?
   Yes     No

2. If "Yes" do you believe that
   a) All are reborn
   b) Only some are reborn

3. Do you think that previous life/lives can be recalled?
   Yes     No

4. If "Yes" can it be recalled by
   a) Everyone
   b) Only some

5. Do you believe that time interval between death and next birth is
   a) Constant for all
   b) It varies

6. Do you believe in karma as a determinant of rebirth (or is determined by karma)?
   Yes     No

7. Does rebirth sometimes entail movements in the scale of evolution to the earliest forms of life?
   Yes     No

8. Do you believe that one may be reborn in superhuman forms (sometimes called as paranormal, supernatural, or mythological, which are not capable of being seen or are inaccessible)?
   Yes     No
9. Do you believe that certain karmas lead to rebirth in several planes of existence in terrestrial and non-terrestrial?

Yes  No

a) Do you believe that these non-earthly forms exist in celestial lokas including heaven?

Yes  No

b) Do you believe that non-earthly evil forms exist in different lokas including hell?

Yes  No

10. Good deeds lead to superior births.

Yes  No

Evil deeds lead to inferior births.

Yes  No

11. Do you believe in a place where one is rewarded for his deeds?

Yes  No

12. Do you believe in a place where one is punished for his deeds?

Yes  No

13. All movement is forward or zigzag, i.e., one keeps taking birth in lower and upper forms in order to work out his karma.

Yes  No

14. Suffering is a form of expiation in the next birth.

Yes  No

15. One is born to his parents because of

a) His parents' karma

b) Individual's own karma
15. (Continued)
   c) Some other reason(s). Specify:____________________
       _______________________________________________________________________

16. What is the purpose of rebirth?____________________
       _______________________________________________________________________
       _______________________________________________________________________

17. Additional remarks:____________________
       _______________________________________________________________________
APPENDIX G

Belief in Reincarnation - Second Stage

1. Do you believe in rebirth?  Yes  No

2. If "yes" do you believe that:
   a) All are reborn.
   b) Only some are reborn.

3. Do you think that previous life/lives can be recalled?  Yes  No

4. If "yes" can it be recalled by:
   a) Everyone.
   b) Only some.

5. Do you believe that the time-interval between death and the next birth is:
   a) Constant for all.
   b) It varies.

6. Rebirth is determined by karma?  Yes  No

7. Do you believe that rebirth is determined by factors other than karma?  Yes  No

8. Do you believe that a human being after death, can go back to animal life or vegetative life?  Yes  No

9. Do you believe that one may be reborn in paranormal or mythological forms, who are not capable of being seen by ordinary human eyes?  Yes  No
   a) Do you believe that paranormal forms exist in different lokas including heaven?  Yes  No
   b) Do you believe that evil paranormal forms exist in other lokas including hell?  Yes  No

10. Do you agree that good karma leads to superior births?  Yes  No
11. Do you agree that evil karma leads to inferior births?  
Yes  No  

12. Do you think that a person can change his caste/class from one life to the next?  
Yes  No  
If yes:  

a) Why do people of lower caste/class take birth in a higher one?  

b) Why do people of higher caste/class take birth in a lower one?  

C) When is one born in the same caste/class?  

13. Do you think that one can change sex from one life to the next?  
Yes  No  
If yes:  

a) Why is a man born as a woman in his next birth?  

b) Why is a woman born as a man in her next birth?  

14. Do you think that a person can change his religion from one life to the next?  
Yes  No  

15. Do you believe in a place where one is rewarded for his deeds after death?  
Yes  No  

16. Do you believe in a place where one is punished for his deeds after death?  
Yes  No  

17. Do you believe that in the process of rebirth one keeps taking births in lower and upper forms in order to work out one’s karma?  
Yes  No  

18. One is born to his parents because of:  

a) The parents' karma.  

b) The individual's own karma.  

c) Some other reason(s). Specify: _____________________
19. What is the purpose of rebirth?

20. Do you believe in a "Day of Judgement" when everyone is going to be judged according to the merits of his conduct? 
   Yes  No

21. Additional remarks:

Kindly write your:

1. Age:________________________ 2. Sex:
3. Educational status:_____________
4. Religion:____________________
5. Occupation:________
6. Total income:________
7. Address:____________________

Date:__________________________

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APPENDIX H

Belief in Reincarnation Questionnaire

NAME OF THE SUBJECT

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE INFORMANT

Name ____________________________ Relation with the Subject ____________________________

Age ______ Sex M F

Address ____________________________ Office ____________________________

(Home) ____________________________ ____________________________

Informant's Education


2. B.A. or B.Sc. degree

3. Intermediate or Post-High School diplomas

4. High School Certificate

5. Middle School Completion.

6. Primary School Completion.

7. Illiterate

Remarks about the Informant's Education & comprehension

________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________

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Informant’s Occupation ____________________________

Informant’s Income ____________________________

Informant’s Religion ____________________________
QUESTIONS ABOUT BELIEF

1. Do you believe in rebirth?
   - Yes
   - No

2. If 'Yes' do you believe that:
   (a) All are reborn
       - Yes
       - No
   (b) Only some are reborn
       - Yes
       - No

3. Do you think that previous life/lives can be recalled?
   - Yes
   - No

4. If 'Yes', can it be recalled by:
   (a) Everyone
       - Yes
       - No
   (b) Only some
       - Yes
       - No

5. Do you believe the time-interval between death and the next birth is:
   (a) Constant for all
       - Yes
       - No
   (b) It varies
       - Yes
       - No
   (c) Not applicable

6. Do you believe that rebirth is determined by Karma?
   - Yes
   - No

7. Do you believe that rebirth is determined by factors other than Karma?
   - Yes
   - No
8. Do you believe that a human being, after death can go back to animal life or vegetative life?
   Yes                       No

9. Some believe that one may be born in paranormal or mythological forms (Sura or Deva and Assura or non-Godly and such other forms), do you also believe in it?
   Yes                       No

   (a) Some believe that paranormal forms exist in different lokas or planes, do you also believe in it?
       Yes                       No

   (b) Some believe that evil paranormal forms exist in other lokas including hell, do you also believe so?
       Yes                       No

10. Do you agree that good karma lead to superior births?
      Yes                       No

11. Do you agree that bad Karma lead to inferior births?
      Yes                       No

12. Do you think a person can change his caste/class from one life to the next?
      Yes                       No
(a) Why do people of lower casts/class take birth in a higher one?

(b) Why do people of higher cast/class take birth in a lower one?

(c) When is one born in the same class/ caste?

3. Do you think that sex can be changed from one life to the next?
   Yes   No

If 'Yes'

(a) Why is a man born as a woman in his next birth?

(b) Why is a woman born as a man in her next birth?

14. Do you think a person can change his religion from one life to the next?
   Yes   No

15. Do you believe in the existence of a place, where one is punished (after death) for his deeds
   Yes   No

16. Do you believe in the existence of a place where one is rewarded (after death) for his deeds?
   Yes   No
17. Do you believe that in the process of rebirth one keeps taking births in lower and upper forms, in order to work out his good and bad karma?

Yes
No

18. One is born to his parents because of:

(a) His parent's karma

(b) Individual's own karma

(c) Both, individual and his parents' karma

(d) Some other reasons. Specify ____________________________

19. Do you believe in a "Day of Judgement" when everyone is going to be judged according to the merits of his conduct?

Yes
No

20. Do you believe in rebirth from your childhood? or from whence?

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21. What contributed to entertain your belief in rebirth?

(a) Belief in the family or culture, to which you belong

(b) Scriptures

(c) Any persons who influenced you to believe.

(d) Literature. Books which speak of reincarnation

(e) Seeing a person recalling previous life

(f) Any other.
22. How do you decide that a certain person is someone else reborn?

(a) By child's statements when he begins to talk about the events of previous life.

(b) By the birth mark on the body of the newborn infant.

(c) By the behaviour of a child which reminds you of a similar behaviour on the part of some deceased person.

(d) By statements of sensitives, mediums and such persons. (By the statements of a person possessed by Gods, spirits)

(e) By prediction of others:
   
   (i) Voluntarily sought
   
   (ii) Involuntarily given

(f) By the suggestions given by an astrologer at the time of casting horoscope.

(g) By dreams.

(i) By other indications.

23. What is the purpose of rebirth?

Is the informant answering the questionnaire without having listened to other informants answering it?

Yes          No

Additional remarks

Date __________________________ Name of Interviewer __________________________
APPENDIX I

BELIEF IN REINCARNATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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AND

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND NEURO SCIENCES BANGALORE
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INSTRUCTIONS

The following questions are intended to indicate your belief in reincarnation. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers. They only indicate your own personal opinion. We are interested in what you personally believe and not what you think others believe or should believe.

Most questions are followed by several possible answers. Please choose the answer that best agrees with your own belief and CIRCLE its number to the left of the answer. If you do not find your answer in those we have provided, please choose the response "Other" and write in your answer on the line following "Other______". If you are uncertain about your belief, just answer the way you might feel or possibly believe right now even though you are not at all sure. Even your most doubtful answers may be useful to us in our work and we deeply appreciate your help.

For a considerable number of the questions you may find that you would like to check two, three or even more responses. For these questions you should read the whole list of responses and then choose the one that seems best for you. In most questions of this type you have a chance also to record your second choice in the question that immediately follows the one where you should record the best response.

Please DO NOT use the "I do not know" category if at all possible as that is meant for a different group of respondents.

Use the "Notes_______" space for important comments about the questions you may wish to make. You may use additional pages or the space at the end of the questionnaire for additional comments.

Please ignore all the notations in the column to the left of the questions. These notations, such as lines and asterisks, *, are for Division of Parapsychology use only—to help us in our computer analysis, etc. Also, some question and instructions (usually indicated by capital lettering) are only for Division Agents' use. You need not attempt to answer them. As you read the questions over, just answer those that apply to you.

We deeply appreciate your help in this study and trust you will find the questions in it both informative and interesting. Thank you very much for your cooperation.
A. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

INTERVIEWEE'S NAME:
Family or caste name
First name

DATE OF INTERVIEW (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)

INTERVIEWEE'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER) (TO BE CODED BY DIVISION)

(IF INTERVIEWEE IS SUBJECT OF A CASE GIVE HIS DIVISION CASE NUMBER HERE: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)

What is your present address? (VILLAGE OR POST OFFICE, TAHSL-TOWN OR POLICE STATION, DISTRICT, STATE AND COUNTRY) (CODE BY DIVISION LIST)

Home

Office

What is your mother tongue? (CODE BY DIVISION LIST)

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INCOME FOR INDIA ONLY:

What is your total (family) income per month? (BEFORE ANY DEDUCTIONS OR TAXES)

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INCOME FOR ALL BUT INDIA:

In which of these general groups did your (family) income fall last year?

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(OCCUPATION CATEGORY FOR INDIA AND NON-INDUSTRIAL CULTURES ONLY: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)

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(Urban Score A)

(Urban Score B)

(Urban Score C)
2 Professional requiring an advanced college degree such as a doctor, professor, lawyer, etc. 29/66
3 Semi-professional requiring a bachelor's degree such as an engineer, nurse, school-teacher, military commissioned officer, etc. 30/68
4 Manager, official owner of a small business; low level government official, etc. 31/69
5 Farm owner or manager
6 Craftsman, technical worker, or foreman, military non-commissioned officer, etc.
7 Service worker such as policeman, fireman, etc.
8 Sales worker
9 Clerical worker, beautician, waitress, etc.
10 Unskilled laborer
11 Student
12 Housewife
13 Military enlisted person
14 Unemployed

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What is your relationship to the subject of this case?

1. Self
2. Subject's father
3. Subject's mother
4. Subject's brother or sister
5. Subject's child
6. I am related to the Subject in some other way, for example, a cousin
7. Unrelated neighbor or villager
8. I am not related to the Subject or a neighbor of the same village; I have just met him more or less casually
9. I have never met the Subject
10. Other

Notes

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D. MAIN QUESTIONS ABOUT BELIEF IN REINCARNATION

Do you believe in reincarnation?

1. Yes
2. No

Notes

What do you understand by the term "reincarnation?"


Are you willing to die the subject of life after death?

1. Yes
2. No

Notes
IF NO:

* __ Are you unwilling to discuss the subject because
1 It is forbidden to do so
2 It seems unwise to do so
3 I feel I know nothing about the subject
4 Other ____________________

Notes ____________________

NOTE: IF NO TO Q.55, CONSIDER TERMINATING OR RESTRICTING THE INTERVIEW

IF YOU BELIEVE IN REINCARNATION:

* __ Do you believe that:
1 Human beings can only be reborn as human beings
2 Human beings can also be reborn as subhuman animals
3 Other ____________________

Notes ____________________

** __ Do you believe that:
1 Only God incarnates as in the Hindu concept of Avatar
2 Perfect man or the deity reincarnates periodically (as in the Muslim concept of Hulul)
3 Only great spiritual leaders or "Imams" reincarnate (Muslim concept of Rijat)
4 Ordinary human beings reincarnate (Muslim concept of Tanasukh, Hindu concept of Jiva.)

Notes ____________________

59/55 * __ How strongly do you believe in reincarnation?
1 Reincarnation is a possibility
2 Reincarnation is a probability
3 Reincarnation is a certainty

Notes ____________________

60/56 ** __ Do you believe that every person reincarnates?
1 Yes
2 No, some persons only
3 I do not know

Notes ____________________

IF "SOME":

* __ Who do you believe reincarnates? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Saints or spiritually advanced holy persons
2 Imperfect persons
3 Wicked or evil persons
4 Those who die violently
5 Those who die young
6 Those who have "unfinished business"
7 Those who die suddenly, but not violently
8 Anyone, no lawful plan
9 Other ____________________

Notes ____________________

61/57 ** __ What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes ____________________

62/58
Must every person reincarnate?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Has your belief in reincarnation grown significantly stronger or weaker since first believed in it?
1 Significantly stronger
2 Significantly weaker
3 No change

At what age did you first believe in rebirth? (Write in approximate age)

What contributed to establishing your belief in rebirth? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Belief in the faith of the family and/or culture of childhood
2 Scriptures
3 Literature supporting reincarnation
4 Persons, such as saints and holy men
5 My own personal memory of a previous life
6 Knowing another person who recalled a previous life
7 Hearing of another person who recalled a previous life
8 Other

What is your second choice to the above question?

What has contributed to strengthening your belief in reincarnation? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Belief in the faith of the family and/or culture of childhood
2 Scriptures
3 Literature supporting reincarnation
4 Persons, such as saints and holy men
5 My own personal memory of a previous life
6 Knowing another person who recalled a previous life
7 Hearing of another person who recalled a previous life
8 Other

What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes
IF "WEAKER" (FROM ABOVE):
What has contributed to the weakening of your belief in reincarnation? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 The prevalent faith of my cultural environment does not support such a belief
2 The scriptures of the faith I believe in do not support reincarnation
3 Literature against reincarnation
4 Influences of respected person(s) such as a sage or saint, etc., who does not believe in reincarnation
5 The lack of personal memory of a previous life
6 Personal experience with a case(s) which is weak, fraudulent, or involves self-deception
7 Hearing of a case which is weak, fraudulent, or involved self-deception
8 Other__________________________

Notes__________________________

* __ What is your second choice to the above question?
Notes__________________________

** __ Do you believe that a previous life/lives can be recalled?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know
Notes__________________________

BEGIN CARD 3 (ID No./1-4, card 3/5)

IF YES:
Who can recall them?
1 Everyone
2 Some persons only
3 I do not know
Notes__________________________

* __ Who can recall? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Spiritually advanced persons
2 Persons who died a sudden death
3 Persons who died a violent death
4 Persons who had not yet finished something of great importance to them in their previous lifetime
5 Other__________________________
6 I do not know
Notes__________________________

** __ Who can recall? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Spiritually advanced persons
2 Persons who died a sudden death
3 Persons who died a violent death
4 Persons who had not yet finished something of great importance to them in their previous lifetime
5 Other__________________________
6 I do not know
Notes__________________________

* __ What is your second choice to the above question?
Notes__________________________

** __ What is your second choice to the above question?
Notes__________________________
Who or what decides in which human body a person reincarnates? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. God
2. Karma
3. A person's thoughts and/or behavior at death
4. Living persons
5. A person after his or her death
6. Ancestors
7. Other discarnate spirits
8. Chance, no lawful cause
9. Other
10. I do not know

Notes

What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

In terms of the one most important moral (or psychological) factor, when does reincarnation occur for most people? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. When the lessons of previous life have assimilated by the
2. When an appropriate life experience is able to the soul
3. When the soul (or spiritual entity) chooses another inc
4. When the soul's me run out
5. When the soul's cra create an irresistible attraction to a new
6. Other
7. I do not know

Notes

In terms of the one most important time factor, when does reincarnation occur for most people?

1. Immediately from death to conception
2. Immediately from death to birth
3. A fixed interval after death to conception
4. A fixed interval after death to birth
5. Anytime after death
6. Anytime after death

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** Do you believe the time interval between death and rebirth is the same for all?

1 Yes
2 No, it varies for some
3 I do not know

Notes

IF YES:

** What is the regular fixed interval between one earthly life and the next for everyone?

1 There is no interval, immediate rebirth always occurs
2 Less than a year
3 From one to five years (How many)
4 From six to ten years (How many)
5 From eleven to 50 years (How many)
6 From 51 to 100 years (How many)
7 Over 101 years (How many)
8 I do not know

Notes (What is your source of knowledge?)

Several factors may contribute to the decision about when and/or where a person reincarnates. In your opinion which of the following is the one most important factor?

1 Lifelong attitudes, emotions, and patterns of thought
2 Lifelong habits and patterns of behavior

[continued]
92/38  * _ _ Do you believe that the complete previous personality reincarnates?
  1 Yes
  2 No
  3 I do not know

Notes

93/39  * _ _ Do you believe that a part of one's being may reincarnate into one new physical body and another part or parts into one or more other physical bodies?
  1 Yes
  2 No
  3 I do not know

Notes

94/40 ** _ _ How do you decide that a certain person is someone else reincarnated? (Choose the one best answer.)
  1 By a child's statement when he begins to talk about events of a previous life
  2 By birthmarks on the body of the newborn infant
  3 By the behavior on the part of a child which reminds you of similar behavior on the part of some deceased person
  4 By statements of sensitive, mediums, and such persons
  5 By a person possessed by a discarnate personality or spirit, by a god, or by God
  6 By the predictions of others voluntarily sought
  7 By the predictions of others given without request

[continued]

8 By the suggestions by an astrologer at the time of casting a horoscope
9 By dreams
10 Other
11 I do not know

Notes

95/42 ** _ _ What is your second to the above question?

Notes

96/44 ** _ _ Can a person change one life to another?
  1 Yes
  2 No
  3 I do not know

Notes

97/45 ** _ _ Why is a man born as in his next birth? (Choose the one best answer.)
  1 Last thoughts before birth (such as thinking of person of the opposite sex)
  2 Wish or desire of during their life to change their sex
  3 Reward or promotion
  4 Punishment or demotion
  5 Enrichment or divination experience is needed
  6 The only available opportunity was in the opposite sex
  7 Chance, no lawful
  8 Other
  9 I do not know

Notes
** IF YES (FROM ABOVE): **

* __ Why is a woman born as a man in her next birth? (Choose the one best answer.)
1. Last thoughts before death (such as thinking of a person of the opposite sex)
2. Wish or desire of person to change sex
3. Reward or promotion
4. Punishment or demotion
5. Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
6. The only available birth opportunity was in a body of the opposite sex
7. Chance, no lawful cause
8. Other
9. I do not know

Notes

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** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

** 102/50 **

* __ Why are people of lower caste born in a higher one?
1. Reward or promotion
2. Punishment or demotion
3. Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4. Chance, no lawful cause
5. Other
6. I do not know

Notes

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** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

** 103/51 **

* __ Why are people born into the same caste?
1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

Notes

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** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

** 104/52 **

* __ Why are people born into the same caste?
1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

Notes

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** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

* __ Why are people born into the same caste?
1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

Notes

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* __ Do you think a person can change his religion from one life to the next?
1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

Notes

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* __ Do you think a person can change his caste from one life to the next?
1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

Notes

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* __ Do you think a person can change his class from one life to the next?
1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

Notes

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IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE):

Why are people of a lower class born into a higher one?
1 Reward or promotion
2 Punishment or demotion
3 Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4 Chance, no lawful cause
5 Other
6 I do not know

Notes

105/53

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Do you believe that condition and circumstances in one life influence condition and circumstances in a later life; that you believe in consequences of "karma?"
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

109/56

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IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE):

Why are people of a higher class born into a lower one?
1 Reward or promotion
2 Punishment or demotion
3 Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4 Chance, no lawful cause
5 Other
6 I do not know

Notes

106/54

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Do you believe that is determined by facts other than conduct (Karma)?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

110/57

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IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE):

Why are people born into the same class?
1 Still being rewarded or punished
2 Still need to work with the opportunities and/or challenges of that class
3 Other
4 I do not know

Notes

107/55

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Do you believe that "conduct (karma) leads superior births?"
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

111/58

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IF YOU BELIEVE IN "KA Q.109):

Do you believe that "conduct (karma) leads inferior births?"
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

112/59

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What do you understand by the term "karma?"


** Is one born to his parents because of:

1. His own individual conduct (karma) in a previous life or lives
2. His parents' conduct (karma)
3. Both his and his parents' conduct (karma)
4. Other
5. I do not know

Notes

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** What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

** What is the purpose of reincarnation? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. Self-improvement toward perfection
2. Retribution or to pay off debts
3. To fulfill one's duties
4. To fulfill unsatisfied cravings
5. To finish some work, task, or "business" left unfinished in previous life
6. No purpose other than to be alive again on the earth
7. Natural law

8. Other

9. I do not know

Notes
E. QUESTIONS ABOUT METEM-
PSYCHOSIS

** 120/6  
Are there persons being born into the world for the first time who have never had a previous lifetime as a human being?  
1 Yes, they have had previous lifetimes as subhuman animal and/or plant life but never a human body  
2 Yes, they have never had any type of physical embodiment  
3 Yes, both those who have had and those who have not had other types of physical bodies  
4 No  
5 I do not know

** 121/7  
Do you believe a human being can be reborn as a subhuman animal or plant?  
1 Yes  
2 No  
3 I do not know

** 122/8  
Do you believe that in the process of rebirth one keeps taking births in lower and upper forms, for example in nonhuman physical bodies as well as human bodies, in order to work out good and bad "karma?"  
1 Yes  
2 No  
3 I do not know

** 123/9  
Who or what decides to human being should be in the body of a subhuman body? (Choose the one answer.)  
1 God  
2 Karma  
3 The person himself  
4 Other influential  
5 Chance, no lawful  
6 I do not know

** 124/10  
What is your second c to the above question

** 125/11  
Once a human being is into the body of a subhuman animal can he later b again into a human bo  
1 Yes  
2 No  
3 I do not know

** 126/12  
Under what conditions able to enter again i human body? (Choose best answer.)  
1 When the lessons of previous life have assimilated by the  
2 When an appropriate life experience is able to the soul  
3 When the soul chooses another incarnation  
4 When the soul's merit or demerit has been  
5 Other  
6 I do not know
What is the purpose of rebirth in subhuman animal or plant life forms?
1 Punishment
2 Reward
3 Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4 Chance, no lawful cause
5 Other
6 I do not know

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If yes:

Do you believe that such forms exist in different lokas or planes, including heaven?
| 1 Yes |
| 2 No |
| 3 I do not know |

Notes

Some believe that evil forms of this type exist in other lokas including hell, do you believe in this?
| 1 Yes |
| 2 No |
| 3 I do not know |

Notes

Do you believe in the existence of heaven or a place where one is rewarded after death?
| 1 Yes |
| 2 No |
| 3 I do not know |

Notes
139/32  ** Do you believe in the existence of hell or a place where one is punished after death?  
1 Yes  
2 No  
3 I do not know  

Notes

140/33  Who goes to heaven? (Choose the one best answer.)  
1 The meritorious  
2 Those who wish to go  
3 Those who wish for heaven at the time of death  
4 Those who have faith  
5 Other  
6 I do not know  

Notes

141/34  What is your second choice to the above question?  

Notes

142/35  Who goes to hell? (Choose the one best answer.)  
1 Wicked or sinful persons  
2 Those who have a strong negative or hateful thought at the time of death  
3 Those who do not have faith  
4 Other  
5 I do not know  

Notes

143/36  What is your second choice to the above question?  

Notes

144/37  What is one's condition in heaven?  
1 One's desires and wishes are fulfilled  
2 Oneness in consciousness and harmony with God's love  
3 Other  
4 I do not know  

Notes

145/38  What is one's condition in hell?  
1 One receives the punishment they earned by conduct  
2 Separation in consciousness from God and His love  
3 Other  
4 I do not know  

Notes

146/39  Where is heaven?  
1 Above the earth/sky in some nonmaterial state  
2 A state of consciousness  
3 Here on earth  
4 Other  
5 I do not know  

Notes

147/40  Where is hell?  
1 Below the earth  
2 A state of consciousness  
3 Here on earth  
4 Other  
5 I do not know  

Notes
* _ Do you believe in a "Day of Judgment" when everyone is going to be judged by the merit of his conduct?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

G. QUESTIONS ABOUT PERSONAL PREFERENCES

160/6 _ Do you like the idea of rebirth?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

161/7 _ Do you think that rebirth is:
1 A beneficial process
2 Of no value; purposeless
3 A harmful process

162/8 _ Do you personally wish to be reborn?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I am indifferent

IF YES TO Q.162:

163/9 _ What is your preference for your sex in a new incarnation if you are reborn?
1 Same sex
2 Opposite sex
3 No preference

Notes
IF YES TO Q.162:

What is your preference for conditions in a new life if you are reborn?

1 Trust completely God's wisdom and will
2 Seek spiritual growth through selfless love of God and man, etc.
3 Seek other opportunities for self-improvement, such as to become a great artist or fisherman, etc.
4 Seek material conditions first, such as wealth, power, pleasure, etc.
5 Other
6 I do not know

Notes

IF "HARMFUL" (ABOVE):

Why do you think it is harmful? (Choose the best answer.)

1 The child may be away from his parents
2 The child may be emotionally separated from family, even if he is with them physically
3 The memories may give the child a greater attention to people and events, such as something in his present life
4 The child may become a special person in family and be spoiled
5 People who remember previous lives may... may then become emotionally disturbed, even mentally ill
6 People who remember previous lives may... may become emotionally disturbed, even mentally ill
7 Other
8 I do not know

Notes

IF "BENEFICIAL":

Why do you think it is beneficial?

1 One can learn important lessons in this lifetime by comparing the memories of a previous lifetime to present experiences
2 One may have the advantage of the wisdom gained in the previous lifetime
3 One has friends and family from two lives instead of only one

[continued]
If you think it is undesirable for someone to remember a previous life, what measures do you think should be taken to stop him from remembering?

1. Not paying attention to him or showing indifference will suffice.
2. Telling him he should not remember is enough.
3. Scolding him if necessary.
4. Application of special rituals or amulets, (e.g., turning on a potter's wheel).
5. I approve of beating him if necessary because this is important.
6. Other.
7. I do not know.

Notes.

FINAL REMARKS:

July, 1976
APPENDIX J

BELIEF IN REINCARNATION INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA DIVISION OF PARAPSYCHOLOGY

AND

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND NEURO SCIENCES BANGALORE
"USE THIS SPACE FOR MAPS AND FAMILY TREES, ETC.'
INSTRUCTIONS

In administering this interview schedule please note that there are three (3) categories of questions. Those questions which are preceded by one asterisk, *, are more important than those with none; and those questions with two asterisks, **, are the most important of all. If an interviewee is pressed for time or in any other way unable or unwilling to cooperate fully with us, skip all the questions which are not keyed with one or two asterisks, as appropriate.

Read the following questions to the interviewee. Use your own judgment about reading the responses listed to the interviewee. If the interviewee doesn't spontaneously respond adequately, you may help him by reading out the list of possible responses. Indicate by "Sp" (for Spontaneous) those responses the interviewee gave without any guidance or suggestion. Or, if more convenient, you can place "G" (for Guidance) next to the items where you had to offer guidance or suggestions to the interviewee.

Write the number of the response category into which the interviewee’s answer falls in the line space(s) provided for the question.

Only use the response category "Other" when it is not possible to place the interviewee’s answer in a regular response category. In such a case write the actual answer the interviewee gives on the line following "Other___."

Use the "Notes__" space for important comments about the question. You may use additional pages or the space at the end of the interview schedule for additional comments.

If necessary, give the informant reassurance concerning the fact that there are no "right" or "wrong" answers. We are simply interested in his beliefs. Also, we want what he himself believes, not what he thinks others believe, or he should believe.

The questions of Section B. concerned with socio-economic status (SES) data may be deferred until a later portion of the interview, or the very end when the interviewee may be more at ease. The answers to some of these questions can be filled in from information otherwise available, such as the population of the interviewee’s place of residence.

It may be inappropriate to ask certain interviewees detailed questions about such matters as family income. Some persons will not like to furnish this information and may be inclined to refuse or to give false information. If appropriate, omit such questions. You may, however, estimate the answers from your own observations. In that case add "E" (for Estimate) in the Notes.
It is important throughout to use words (whether English or another language) that the interviewee can understand. If a language other than English is used the word of that language that best corresponds to the English word "reincarnation" should be employed, e.g., Hindi "punarjarn." In two places of the questionnaire the interviewer should ask the interviewee what he means by the words "reincarnation" and "karma." Having the interviewee try to describe his concepts corresponding to these words should increase the comparability of the answers given by different informants.

For purposes of this questionnaire the following definitions of words employed in it may be helpful.

Reincarnation. Man consists of a physical body and also a mind, soul, or personality; at death the physical body disintegrates, but the mind, soul, or personality persists and later becomes associated with a new physical body.

Note: This is the common definition of "reincarnation" used in the West. In Hinduism "reincarnation" is often given the narrower meaning of the manifestation of God in human form as an Avatar. This questionnaire contains a question about the concept of Avatar and the respondent should be helped, if necessary, to understand the difference between this narrower concept and the wider usage of the word "reincarnation" here employed.

Rebirth. This word is often used interchangeably with "reincarnation" in the West and is to some extent so used in the present questionnaire. However, the term "rebirth" is used in the questionnaire mostly when some process other than reincarnation of a human personality in a human body is being considered. Thus it may not be used to refer to the rebirth of a discarnate personality as a subhuman animal.

Note: "Rebirth" has a special meaning in Theravadin Buddhism not employed here.

Metempsychosis. This word has generally acquired the narrower meaning of reincarnation of a human personality in the body of a subhuman animal or, conversely, the reincarnation of the personality of a subhuman animal in a human body. The word "transmigration" usually has the same meaning.

Soul. This word is used for that portion of a person that is, according to the belief in reincarnation, capable of surviving physical death and becoming associated with a new physical body. For the purposes of this questionnaire the words "mind" and "personality" are regarded as approximately synonymous.

Karma. Etymologically it means only "action." In common usage, however, it has come to mean the effects of actions and, more particularly, the effects in life of actions in a previous life. It is often used even more narrowly in reference to the effects of moral conduct, good or bad, that are incurred in a life later than the life in which the moral conduct occurs. In this questionnaire it is used rather broadly to mean any event in one life that may derive from the conduct of a related previous personality in a previous life. It is important for the interviewer to understand the interviewee's concept of "karma," because the word has widely different meanings for different persons.
What is your mother tongue? (CODE BY DIVISION LIST)

A. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

INTERVIEWEE'S NAME:

Family or caste name

First name

DATE OF INTERVIEW (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)

(INTERVIEWEE'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER) (TO BE CODED BY DIVISION)

(IF INTERVIEWEE IS SUBJECT OF A CASE GIVE HIS DIVISION CASE NUMBER HERE: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)

What is your present address? (VILLAGE OR POST OFFICE, TAHSIL-TOWN OR POLICE STATION, DISTRICT, STATE AND COUNTRY) (CODE BY DIVISION LIST)

Home

Office
B. SOCIO-ECONOMIC INFORMATION

10/40 ______ (POPULATION OF RESIDENCE: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)
1 Less than 500
2 500 to 2,000
3 2,000 to 10,000
4 10,000 to 250,000
5 Over 250,000

Notes

11/41 ______ How old were you at your last birthday?
(Birthdate________ )

12/43 ______ (SEX: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)
1 Male
2 Female

13/44 ______ (RACE: TO BE CODED BY AGENT)
1 Caucasian (i.e., white)
2 Negro (i.e., black)
3 Other________

Notes

14/45 ______ What is your present marital status?
1 Single
2 Married
3 More than one wife
4 Common-law marriage
5 Separated
6 Divorced
7 Widowed

Notes

15/46 ______ How many children do you have? [Space here for 2 Q.s]
What was the last year in school you completed? (THE NUMBERS IN PARENTHESES ARE URBAN SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS (SES) SCALE SCORES FOR INDIA ONLY)

1 (7) Professional or advanced degree
2 (6) College degree (B.A. or B.Sc.)
3 (5) Intermediate or post high school diploma (Community or Jr. College)
4 Some College
5 (4) High school certificate or diploma
6 (3) Middle (or Jr. High) school completion
7 (2) Some primary school or illiterate
8 (1) Illiterate
9 ( ) Other

Notes

What is your main occupation? (CODE ACTUAL OCCUPATION BY DIVISION LIST)

Notes

In which of these general groups did your income fall last year?

1 Extremely high (or independently wealthy)
2 Very high (or wealthy)
3 High average (or living in ease)
4 Average (or comfortable)
5 Low average (or near poverty level)
6 Very low (or below poverty level)
7 Extremely low (or destitute)
8 I do not know
9 Refuse to answer

Notes

Income for India only:

1 (12) Above Rs. 1000 per month
2 (10) Between Rs. 750 and Rs. 999
3 (6) Between Rs. 500 and Rs. 749
4 (4) Between Rs. 300 and Rs. 499
5 (3) Between Rs. 101 and Rs. 299
6 (2) Between Rs. 51 and Rs. 100
7 (1) Below Rs. 50
8 I do not know
9 Refuse to answer

Notes

Income for All but India:

Notes

(occupation category for India and non-industrial cultures only: to be coded by agent)

1 (10) Profession
2 (6) Semi-profession
3 (5) Clerical, shop owner, farm owner, etc.
4 (4) Skilled worker
5 (3) Semi-skilled worker
6 (2) Unskilled worker
7 (1) Unemployed
8 ( ) Other

Notes

(occupation category for industrial cultures only: to be coded by agent)

1 Manager, official or owner of a large business; high government official, etc.
[continued]
2 Professional requiring an advanced college degree such as a doctor, professor, lawyer, etc. 29/66
3 Semi-professional requiring a bachelor's degree such as an engineer, nurse, school-teacher, military commissioned officer, etc. 30/68
4 Manager, official owner of a small business; low level government official, etc. 31/69
5 Farm owner or manager 32/6
6 Craftsman, technical worker, or foreman, military non-commissioned officer, etc. 33/
7 Service worker such as policeman, fireman, etc. 34/6
8 Sales worker 35/6
9 Clerical worker, beautician, waitress, etc. 36/6
10 Unskilled laborer 37/6
11 Student 38/6
12 Housewife 39/6
13 Military enlisted person 40/6
14 Unemployed 41/6

Notes

26/- [Space here for 1 Q. with 3 columns]

27/63  (INDIAN URBAN SES SCALE SCORE: WHERE APPROPRIATE TO BE CODED BY AGENT, ADD URBAN SCORES A, B, AND C FROM ABOVE) 39/6
Score A (Education) ________
Score B (Occupation) ________
Score C (Income) ________
Total ________

Notes

28/65  (INDIAN URBAN SES CATEGORY: TO BE CODED BY AGENT) 40/6
1 (26-29) Upper class 41/6
2 (16-25) Upper middle class 42/6
3 (11-15) Lower middle class 43/6
4 (5-10) Upper lower class 44/6
5 (Below 5) Lower class 45/6

Number of dependents (family) income

Notes
(INCOME PER CAPITA: TO BE CODED BY AGENT, Q.32 DIVIDED BY Q.33)

What is this person's address? (VILLAGE OR POST OFFICE, TAHSIL-TOWN OR POLICE STATION, TAHSL-TOWN OR DISTRICT, STATE AND COUNTRY) (CODE BY DIVISION LIST)

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Notes

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C. INFORMANT'S KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE ANSWERS OF OTHER PERSONS AND ABOUT CASES

Are you answering these questions without having heard or learned of other informants' answers to them?
1 Yes
2 No

Notes

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Is this case (thought to be) known to the Division?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

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IF THE CASE IS ALREADY REGISTERED IN THE DIVISION OF PARAPSYCHOLOGY:

SUBJECT'S DIVISION CASE NUMBER

Notes (Any new information?)

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IF YES:

What is the name of the subject of this case? (If you know more than one such person, what is the name of the person with whom you are most familiar?)

Family or caste name

First name

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What is your relationship to the subject of this case?
1. Self
2. Subject's father
3. Subject's mother
4. Subject's brother or sister
5. Subject's child
6. I am related to the Subject in some other way, for example, a cousin
7. Unrelated neighbor or villager
8. I am not related to the Subject or a neighbor or of the same village; I have just met him more or less casually
9. I have never met the Subject
10. Other

Notes

[Space here for 2 Q.s, with 5 columns]

D. MAIN QUESTIONS ABOUT BELIEF IN REINCARNATION

Do you believe in reincarnation?
1. Yes
2. No

Notes

What do you understand by the term "reincarnation"?

Are you willing to death?
1. Yes
2. No

Notes
IF NO:

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Are you unwilling to discuss the subject because
1 It is forbidden to do so
2 It seems unwise to do so
3 I feel I know nothing about the subject
4 Other __________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Notes __________________________
________________________________________________________________________

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How strongly do you believe in reincarnation?
1 Reincarnation is a possibility
2 Reincarnation is a probability
3 Reincarnation is a certainty

Notes __________________________
________________________________________________________________________

NOTE: IF NO TO Q. 55, CONSIDER TERMINATING OR RESTRICTING THE INTERVIEW

IF YOU BELIEVE IN REINCARNATION:

* __
Do you believe that:
1 Human beings can only be reborn as human beings
2 Human beings can also be reborn as subhuman animals

Notes __________________________
________________________________________________________________________

** __
Do you believe that:
1 Only God incarnates as in the Hindu concept of Avatar
2 Perfect man or the deity reincarnates periodically (as in the Muslim concept of Hulul)
3 Only great spiritual leaders or "Imams" reincarnate (Muslim concept of Rijat)
4 Ordinary human beings reincarnate (Muslim concept of Tanasukh, Hindu concept of Jiva.)

Notes __________________________
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61/57 __
What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes __________________________
________________________________________________________________________
63/59 ** __ Must every person reincarnate?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes _____________________________

64/60 ** __ At what age did you first believe in rebirth? (Write in approximate age)

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65/62 ** __ What contributed to establishing your belief in rebirth? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Belief in the faith of the family and/or culture of childhood
2 Scriptures
3 Literature supporting reincarnation
4 Persons, such as saints and holy men
5 My own personal memory of a previous life
6 Knowing another person who recalled a previous life
7 Hearing of another person who recalled a previous life
8 Other __________________________

Notes ____________________________

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66/63 ** __ What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes ____________________________

67/64 * __ Has your belief in reincarnation grown significantly stronger or weaker since you first believed in it?
1 Significantly stronger
2 Significantly weaker
3 No change

Notes ____________________________

68/65 * __ If "STRONGER": What has contributed to strengthening your belief in reincarnation? (Choose one best answer.)
1 Belief in the faith of the family and/or culture of childhood
2 Scriptures
3 Literature supporting reincarnation
4 Persons, such as saints and holy men
5 My own personal memory of a previous life
6 Knowing another person who recalled a previous life
7 Hearing of another person who recalled a previous life
8 Other __________________________

Notes ____________________________

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69/66 * __ What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes ____________________________

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IF "WEAKER" (FROM ABOVE):
* __ What has contributed to the weakening of your belief in reincarnation? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 The prevalent faith of my cultural environment does not support such a belief
2 The scriptures of the faith I believe in do not support reincarnation
3 Literature against reincarnation
4 Influences of respected person(s) such as a sage or saint, etc., who does not believe in reincarnation
5 The lack of personal memory of a previous life
6 Personal experience with a case(s) which is weak, fraudulent, or involves self-deception
7 Hearing of a case which is weak, fraudulent, or involved self-deception
8 Other __________________________
Notes __________________________

73/70 ** __

IF YES:
* __ Who can recall them?
1 Everyone
2 Some persons only
3 I do not know

Notes __________________________

74/71 ** __

IF "SOME PERSONS ONLY" (FROM ABOVE):
Who can recall? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Spiritually advanced persons
2 Persons who died a sudden death
3 Persons who died a violent death
4 Persons who had not yet finished something of great importance to them in their previous lifetime
5 Other __________________________
6 I do not know

Notes __________________________

BEGIN CARD 3 (ID No./1-4, card 3/5)

75/6 ** __ What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes __________________________

** __ Do you believe that a previous life/lives can be recalled?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes __________________________
Who or what decides in which human body a person reincarnates? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. God
2. Karma
3. A person's thoughts and/or behavior at death
4. Living persons
5. A person after his or her death
6. Ancestors
7. Other discarnate spirits
8. Chance, no lawful cause
9. Other
10. I do not know

What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

The decision of when to reincarnate is dependent or controlled by? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. God
2. Karma
3. A person's thoughts and/or behavior at death
4. Living persons
5. A person after his or her death
6. Ancestors
7. Other discarnate spirits
8. Chance, no lawful cause
9. Other
10. I do not know

Notes

In terms of the one most important moral (or psychological) factor, when does reincarnation occur for most people? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. When the lessons of previous life have assimilated by the soul
2. When an appropriate life experience is available to the soul
3. When the soul (or spiritual entity) chooses another
4. When the soul's means run out
5. When the soul's creativity creates an irresistible attraction to a new life
6. Other
7. I do not know

Notes

In terms of the one most important time factor does reincarnation occur for most people?

1. Immediately from death to conception
2. Immediately from death to birth
3. A fixed interval after death to conception
4. A fixed interval after death to birth
5. Anytime after death to conception
6. Anytime after death to birth

[continued]
7 Chance, no lawful cause
8 Other
9 I do not know

Notes

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** ** Do you believe the time interval between death and rebirth is the same for all?
1 Yes
2 No, it varies for some
3 I do not know

Notes

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85/21 __ __ What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

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** ** What is the regular fixed interval between one earthly life and the next for everyone?
1 There is no interval, immediate rebirth always occurs
2 Less than a year
3 From one to five years
   (How many) ______
4 From six to ten years
   (How many) ______
5 From eleven to 50 years
   (How many) ______
6 From 51 to 100 years
   (How many) ______
7 Over 101 years
   (How many) ______
8 I do not know

Notes (What is your source of knowledge?)

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Several factors may contribute to the decision about when and/or where a person reincarnates. In your opinion which of the following is the one most important factor?
1 Lifelong attitudes, emotions, and patterns of thought
2 Lifelong habits and patterns of behavior

[continued]
Do you believe that the complete previous personality reincarnates?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

Do you believe that a part of one's being may reincarnate into one new physical body and another part or parts into one or more other physical bodies?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

How do you decide that a certain person is someone else reincarnated? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 By a child's statement when he begins to talk about events of a previous life
2 By birthmarks on the body of the newborn infant
3 By the behavior on the part of a child which reminds you of similar behavior on the part of some deceased person
4 By statements of sensitive, mediums, and such persons
5 By a person possessed by a discarnate personality or spirit, by a god, or by God
6 By the predictions of others voluntarily sought
7 By the predictions of others given without request
8 By the suggestions of an astrologer at the time of casting a child's horoscope
9 By dreams
10 Other
11 I do not know

Notes

What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

Can a person change sex one life to another?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes

IF YES:
Why is a man born as a woman in his next birth? (Choose the one best answer.)
1 Last thoughts before (such as thinking of person of the opposite sex)
2 Wish or desire of person during their lifetime to change their sex
3 Reward or promotion
4 Punishment or demotion
5 Enrichment or diverse experience is needed
6 The only available opportunity was in the life of the opposite sex
7 Chance, no lawful cause
8 Other
9 I do not know

Notes
** IF YES (FROM ABOVE): **

Why is a woman born as a man in her next birth? (Choose the one best answer.)

1. Last thoughts before death (such as thinking of a person of the opposite sex)
2. Wish or desire of person to change sex
3. Reward or promotion
4. Punishment or demotion
5. Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
6. The only available birth opportunity was in a body of the opposite sex
7. Chance, no lawful cause
8. Other
9. I do not know

** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

Why are people of lower caste born in a higher one?

1. Reward or promotion
2. Punishment or demotion
3. Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4. Chance, no lawful cause
5. Other
6. I do not know

** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

Why are people of a higher caste born into a lower one?

1. Reward or promotion
2. Punishment or demotion
3. Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4. Chance, no lawful cause
5. Other
6. I do not know

** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

Why are people born into the same caste?

1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/or challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

Why are people born into the same caste?

1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/or challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

** Do you think a person can change his religion from one life to the next? **

1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

** IF YES TO "CASTE" (ABOVE): **

Why are people born into the same caste?

1. Still being rewarded or punished
2. Still need to work with the opportunities and/or challenges of that caste
3. Other
4. I do not know

** Do you think a person can change his caste from one life to the next? **

1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

** Do you think a person can change his class from one life to the next? **

1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

** Notes **
IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE): Why are people of a lower class born into a higher one?
1 Reward or promotion
2 Punishment or demotion
3 Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4 Chance, no lawful cause
5 Other____________________
6 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE): Why are people of a higher class born into a lower one?
1 Reward or promotion
2 Punishment or demotion
3 Enrichment or diversity of experience is needed
4 Chance, no lawful cause
5 Other____________________
6 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

IF YES TO "CLASS" (ABOVE): Why are people born into the same class?
1 Still being rewarded or punished
2 Still need to work with the opportunities and/or challenges of that class
3 Other____________________
4 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

What do you understand by the term "karma?"

Do you believe that in one life influences condition and circumstances in a later life; that is needed?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

Do you believe that is determined by factors other than conduct (Ka ...
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

Do you believe that is determined by factors other than conduct (Ka ...
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

Do you believe that conduct (karma) leads to superior births?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes____________________________________

Do you believe that conduct (karma) leads to inferior births?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes____________________________________
** Is one born to his parents because of:
1. His own individual conduct (karma) in a previous life or lives
2. His parents' conduct (karma)
3. Both his and his parents' conduct (karma)
4. Other
5. I do not know

Notes

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** What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

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** What is the purpose of reincarnation? (Choose the one best answer.)
1. Self-improvement toward perfection
2. Retribution or to pay off debts
3. To fulfill one's duties
4. To fulfill unsatisfied cravings
5. To finish some work, task, or "business" left unfinished in previous life
6. No purpose other than to be alive again on the earth
7. Natural law
8. Other

Notes

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9. I do not know

Notes
BEGIN CARD 4 (ID No./1-4, card 4/5) 123/9 ** Who or what decides the human being should be in the body of a subhuman body? (Choose the one answer.)
1 God
2 Karma
3 The person himself
4 Other influential forces
5 Chance, no lawful
6 I do not know

B. QUESTIONS ABOUT METEMPSYCHOSIS

120/6 ** Are there persons being born into the world for the first time who have never had a previous lifetime as a human being?
1 Yes, they have had previous lifetimes as subhuman animal and/or plant life but never a human body
2 Yes, they have never had any type of physical embodiment
3 Yes, both those who have had and those who have not had other types of physical bodies
4 No
5 I do not know

121/7 ** Do you believe a human being can be reborn as a subhuman animal or plant?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

122/8 ** Do you believe that in the process of rebirth one keeps taking births in lower and upper forms, for example in nonhuman physical bodies as well as human bodies, in order to work out good and bad "karma"?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

124/10 * What is your second choice to the above question?

125/11 * Once a human being is into the body of a subhuman animal can he later be again into a human body?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

126/12 * Under what conditions is a human being able to enter again in a human body? (Choose the best answer.)
1 When the lessons of previous life have been assimilated by the soul
2 When an appropriate life experience is possible to the soul
3 When the soul chooses another incarnation
4 When the soul's merit has been given
5 Other
6 I do not know
F. QUESTIONS ABOUT INTERMEDIATE STATES

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135/28

Some believe that one may be born in mythological non-human forms such as Sura or Deva, and Asura or non-Godly and such other forms, do you believe in this?

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136/29

Do you believe that such forms exist in different lokas or planes, including heaven?

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137/30

Some believe that evil forms of this type exist in other lokas including hell, do you believe in this?

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Do you believe in the existence of heaven or a place where one is rewarded after death?

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139/32 ** — Do you believe in the existence of hell or a place where one is punished after death?
1. Yes
2. No
3. I do not know

Notes

140/33 — Who goes to heaven? (Choose the one best answer.)
1. The meritorious
2. Those who wish to go
3. Those who wish for heaven at the time of death
4. Those who have faith
5. Other
6. I do not know

Notes

141/34 — What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes

142/35 — Who goes to hell? (Choose the one best answer.)
1. Wicked or sinful persons
2. Those who have a strong negative or hateful thought at the time of death
3. Those who do not have faith
4. Other
5. I do not know

Notes

143/36 — What is your second choice to the above question?

Notes
** __ Do you believe in a "Day of Judgment" when everyone is going to be judged by the merit of his conduct?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes______________________________

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BEGIN CARD 5 (ID No./1-4, card 5/5)

G. QUESTIONS ABOUT PERSONAL PREFERENCES

160/6 __ Do you like the idea of rebirth?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I do not know

Notes______________________________

161/7 __ Do you think that rebirth is:
1 A beneficial process
2 Of no value; purposeless
3 A harmful process

Notes______________________________

162/8 __ Do you personally wish to be reborn?
1 Yes
2 No
3 I am indifferent

Notes______________________________

IF YES TO Q.162:

163/9 __ What is your preference for your sex in a new incarnation if you are reborn?
1 Same sex
2 Opposite sex
3 No preference

Notes______________________________
IF YES TO Q.1621:

What is your preference for conditions in a new life if you are reborn?

1. Trust completely God's wisdom and will
2. Seek spiritual growth through selfless love of God and man, etc.
3. Seek other opportunities for self-improvement, such as to become a great artist or fisherman, etc.
4. Seek material conditions first, such as wealth, power, pleasure, etc.
5. Other
6. I do not know

Notes

IF "HARMFUL" (ABOVE):

Why do you think it is harmful? (Choose the best answer.)

1. The child may be separated from his parents and family, even if he is with them physically:
2. The memories may distract the child from giving attention to people and events, such as school in his present life:
3. The child may become a special person in his family and be spoiled:
4. The child may become emotionally disturbed and even mentally ill:
5. People who remember previous lives die:
6. People who remember previous lives may become emotionally disturbed and even mentally ill:
7. Other
8. I do not know

Notes

IF "BENEFICIAL":

Why do you think it is beneficial?

1. One can learn important lessons in this lifetime by comparing the memories of a previous lifetime to present experiences:
2. One may have the advantage of the wisdom gained in the previous lifetime:
3. One has friends and family from two lives instead of only one:

[continued]
If you think it is undesirable for someone to remember a previous life what measures do you think should be taken to stop him from remembering?

1. Not paying attention to him or showing indifference will suffice
2. Telling him he should not remember is enough
3. Scolding him if necessary
4. Application of special rituals or amulets, (e.g., turning on a potter's wheel)
5. I approve of beating him if necessary because this is important
6. Other
7. I do not know

Notes

ITIONAL REMARKS:

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H. CIRCUMSTANCES AND EVALUATION OF INTERVIEW

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Were other people present during the interview?
1 Yes (Who and what relationship to the interviewee?)
2 No

Notes

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'1/17

How many other persons were present beside the interviewer and informant?
1 One to three other persons
2 Four to ten other persons
3 Eleven to twenty other persons
4 A crowd of more than 20 other persons

Notes

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IF YES TO Q.170:

Do you believe their presence inhibited or affected the interviewee in any way which changed his or her attitude or reliability?
1 Yes
2 No

Notes

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'3/19

Place of interview.
1 Interviewee's house
2 Neighbor's house or house of close relative
3 Other building in interviewee's village, e.g., schoolhouse or headman's house
4 Other

Notes

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Evaluation of the interviewee's intelligence (and/or comprehension).
1 Above average
2 Average
3 Below average

Notes

Evaluation of the interviewee's attitude:
1 Exceptionally cooperative
2 Cooperative
3 Cooperative (but serving)
4 Suggestible; complia
5 Uncooperative (becoming circumstantial
6 Uncooperative attitude
7 Belligerent
8 Other

Notes

Evaluation of the interviewee's overall reliability:
1 Unimpeachable
2 Very reliable
3 Average reliability
4 Questionable reliability (Why? Note any important areas where informant may still relied on.)
5 Unreliable (Why? Ex)
APPENDIX: SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS (SES) SCALE INSTRUMENT FOR RURAL INDIA ONLY.*

(See Q.s 29 and 30 of the "Belief in Reincarnation Interview Schedule")

RESPONDENT'S NAME______________________________________________

RESPONDENT'S AGE______________________________________________

ADDRESS________________________________________________________

_________________________________________________________________

AGENT'S NAME____________________________________________________

DATE____________________________________________________________

INSTRUCTIONS

THIS RURAL SES SCALE HAS 9 ITEMS. THE SCORES FOR ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7 WILL BE THE WEIGHTED VALUE OF ONE RESPONSE CATEGORY ONLY. THE SCORE OF ITEM 8 WILL BE THE SUM OF AS MANY VALUES AS IS APPROPRIATE, AND THE SCORE OF ITEM 9 WILL BE THE SUM OF ITS TWO SUB-ITEMS.

INDICATE THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE CATEGORY UNDER EACH ITEM BY CIRCLING THE WEIGHTED SCORE VALUE TO THE CATEGORY'S LEFT, THEN PLACE THIS NUMBER VALUE ON THE SCORE LINE PROVIDED TO THE LEFT OF THE ITEM HEADING.

AFTER ALL ITEM SCORES HAVE BEEN ENTERED, ADD ALL THE SCORES TO OBTAIN THE INDIAN RURAL SES SCALE SCORE. ENTER THIS SCORE IN Q.29, P.6 OF THE "BELIEF IN REINCARNATION INTERVIEW SCHEDULE." ENTER THE INDIAN RURAL SES CATEGORY IN Q.30, P.6 OF THE "BELIEF IN REINCARNATION INTERVIEW SCHEDULE."

1. ___ CASTE:* ______________________________ 3. ___ EDUCATION:

(1) Scheduled caste .......... (0) Illiterate
(2) Lower caste .............. (1) Can read only
(3) Artisan caste ............ (2) Can read and write
(4) Agricultural caste ...... (3) Primary
(5) Prestige caste .......... (4) Middle
(6) Dominant caste .......... (5) High school

2. ___ OCCUPATION: ______________________________ 4. ___ SOCIAL PARTICIPATION:

(1) Labor ................ (1) Member of one organization
(2) Caste occupation ...... (2) Member of more than one organization
(3) Business ............... (3) Office holder
(4) Independent profession (5) Cultivation
(6) Service ............... (6) Wider public leader
5. **LAND:**

| (0) | No land |
| (1) | Less than 1 acre |
| (2) | 1-5 acres |
| (3) | 5-10 acres |
| (4) | 10-15 acres |
| (5) | 15-20 acres |
| (6) | More than 20 acres |

**INDIAN RURAL SES SCALE SCORE**

1. Caste
2. Occupation
3. Education
4. Social Participation
5. Land
6. House
7. Farm Power
8. Material Possession
9. Family

**TOTAL**

**INDIAN RURAL SES SCALE CATEGORY**

1. (Above 43) Upper Class
2. (...33-42) Upper Middle Class
3. (...24-32) Middle Class
4. (...13-23) Lower Middle Class
5. (Below 13) Lower Class

**Notes**

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6. **HOUSE:**

| (0) | No home |
| (1) | Hut |
| (2) | Kachcha house |
| (3) | Mixed house |
| (4) | Pukka house |
| (6) | Mansion |

7. **FARM POWER:**

| (0) | No draught animal |
| (2) | 1-2 draught animals |
| (4) | 3-4 draught animals or 1 or more prestige animals |
| (6) | 5-6 draught animals or tractor |

**TOTAL** (ADD ALL VALUES CIRCLED)

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**Notes**

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8. **MATERIAL POSSESSION:** (ALL VALUES MAY BE SCORED)

| (1) | Bullock-cart |
| (1) | Cycle |
| (1) | Radio |
| (1) | Chairs |
| (2) | Improved agricultural implements |

**TOTAL** (ADD ALL VALUES CIRCLED)

9. **FAMILY:**

**Type:**

| (1) | Single |
| (2) | Joint |

**Size:** (TWO VALUES MAY BE SCORED)

| (1) | Up to 5 |
| (2) | Above 5 |

**Distinctive features**

**TOTAL** (ADD ALL VALUES CIRCLED)

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Note: This instrument is adapted from the Socio-Economic Status Scale (Rural) by Uday Pareek and G. Trivedi. For helpful information on how to score items 1 and 9, see the Excerpts from the instrument's Manual provided by the Division of Parapsychology, or the Manual itself.