

Where Do You Stand on Vaccines?:

Student Handout #2

Answer the following questions, choosing the best response on a scale of 1 to 7.

Question 1: How do you balance the overall risks and benefits of vaccinations that most infants and children receive in the U.S.?

Risks far outweigh benefits			Risks and benefits are equally balanced			Benefits far outweigh risks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Question 2: How do you feel about this statement: As long as a disease is rare where I live, my family and I should avoid getting vaccinated because of the risk of adverse reactions.

Strongly disagree								Strongly agree
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

Question 3: How do you feel about this statement: Even though there's some risk of adverse reactions to vaccines, my family and I should be vaccinated, because if we aren't, we put the health of others at risk.

Strongly disagree								Strongly agree
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

Question 4: Currently all 50 states have school immunization laws requiring that children receive vaccinations, although different states may have somewhat different requirements and possible religious or philosophical exemptions.

How do you feel about schools requiring vaccines?

Strongly opposed								Strongly in favor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

Question 5: Parents should have sole decision-making power about whether or not to immunize their children, with no external regulations or requirements.

Strongly disagree								Strongly agree
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		

Source: "What Are Your Attitudes on Vaccinations for Infants and Children?"
<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/vaccines/etc/questions.html>