

Dear participant, dear Twin

Thank you very much for answering a few questions concerning the behaviour of **identical twins**. This questionnaire is part of my Matriculate Paper to graduate from the Freien Gymnasium Bern.

I'm one of a pair of **identical twins** myself and will compare your answers with my own behaviour to examine if the behaviour of all **identical twins** is similar or even identical.

All answers will be treated confidentially and will only be used for this paper.

If you would like to have a copy of the results, please let me know in the filed "remarks" at the end of this questionnaire.

IMPORTANT: *if possible please fill out this questionnaire at the same time as your identical twin but independently from her/him and please use the same pseudonym (identifier) as your identical twin. This helps me to find out if the participating twins have answered in the same way.*

Preliminary questions:

Pseudonym: _____

How old are you? Younger than 16 [] 16-21 [] older than 21 []

You are male [] female [].

You are the first-born [] second-born [].

Did you grow up together with your twin brother / twin sister? Yes [] No []

1. Emotions

1.1) Did you often quarrel/fight when you were children? Yes [] No []

1.2) Do you (still) quarrel/fight a lot nowadays? Yes [] No []

1.3a) Does / did it take you a long time to get along again with your twin sister / twin brother after an argument? Yes [] No []

1.3b) Less long than after an argument with a third party? Yes [] No [] Equal []

1.4) Do you have the same temper? (composed/irritable) Yes [] No []

1.5a) Was / is there a clear role allocation in agitator and troubleshooter when you two have an argument? Yes [] No []

1.5b) If Yes, have the roles always been allocated in the same way? Yes [] No []

1.6) Do you feel worse, when your twin sister / twin brother is not around? Yes [] No []

1.7) Are your emotional reactions more distinctive/stronger than those of your twin sister / twin brother? Yes [] No [] Equal []

1.8) Is your twin sister / twin brother more important to you than your best friend? Yes [] No [] Equal []

2. Extraversion:

Would you say that compared to your twin ...

- 2.1) ... you are more determined? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.2) ... you are more openminded toward strangers? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.3) ... you are better able to assert yourself? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.4) ... you live healthier/more consciously (i.e. do more sports, eat healthier food)? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.5) ... you are keener to mingle with people? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.6) ... you are more ambitious? Yes [] No [] Equal []
- 2.7) Do you and your twin frequent the same circle of friends? Yes [] No []

3.1 Openness for experiences:

- 3.1) Do you and your twin sister /twin brother have similar hobbies and interests? Yes [] No []
- 3.2) Do you pursue your hobbies together? Yes [] No []
- 3.3a) Do you have similar political opinions? Yes [] No []
- 3.3b) Do you discuss your political opinions? Yes [] No []
- 3.4) Did it bother you when you were younger if your twin wore the same clothes? Yes [] No []
- 3.5) Does it bother you nowadays when when you and your twin wear the same clothes? Yes [] No [] sometimes[]

4. Tolerance:

- 4.1) Are there any situations, where you first look after your twin and only care about yourself later? Yes [] No []
- 4.2) Are there any situations, where one of you is policing the behavior of the other one? Yes [] No [] sometimes[]
- 4.3a) Do you worry a lot about your twin? Yes [] No [] sometimes[]
- 4.3b) If yes or sometimes: more than about other family/friends? Yes [] No [] equal[]
- 4.4) Do you talk about *everything* with your twin sister / twin brother? Yes [] No []
- 4.5) Are there any situations where one of you criticises the other one? Yes [] No [] sometimes[]

4.6) Is it very important to you to be accepted as an individual and not as part of „those twins“? Yes [] No [] sometimes []

5. Conscientiousness and further questions:

5.1) Are you and your twin similarly reliable? Yes [] No []

5.2) Do you feel it, if something bad happens to your twin Always [] Sometimes [] Never []

5.3) If you have other sisters or brothers: Do you have a closer relationship to your twin than to those other siblings? Yes [] No [] None []

5.4) Do you undertake a lot with your twin? Yes [] No []

5.5) Do/did you have a similar career as your twin? similar [] different []

5.6) Does it bother you if people are not able to tell you apart from your twin? Yes [] No [] Sometimes []

5.7) During childhood, did you like being twins and did you take the mickey out of others (change places in school etc.) Yes [] No [] Sometimes []

Remarks: