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SQ1) What is your current age?
_____ years old

● Respondent's region

- 1) Seoul
- 2) Busan
- 3) Daegu
- 4) Incheon
- 5) Gwangju
- 6) Daejeon
- 7) Ulsan
- 8) Gyeonggi-do
- 9) Gangwon-do
- 10) Chungcheongbuk-do
- 11) Chungcheongnam-do
- 12) Jeollabuk-do
- 13) Jeollanam-do
- 14) Gyeongsangbuk-do
- 15) Gyeongsangnam-do
- 16) Jeju

● Size of residential place

- 1) Large city
- 2) Small or medium sized city
- 3) Eup or Myeon

● Gender

- 1) Male
- 2) Female

1. How necessary do you feel the reunification of North and South Korea is?

- 1) Very necessary
- 2) Somewhat necessary
- 3) Neither necessary nor unnecessary
- 4) Somewhat unnecessary
- 5) Very unnecessary

2. From the following statements on the reunification of North and South Korea which most closely represents your own opinion?
- 1) It is best to achieve reunification as soon as possible regardless of what price we have to pay
 - 2) Instead of hastening reunification we should wait for the appropriate circumstances
 - 3) Things are best the way they are
 - 4) I have little interest in reunification

3. When do you think reunification will be possible?

- 1) Within the next 5 years
- 2) Within the next 10 years
- 3) Within the next 15 years
- 4) Within the next 30 years
- 5) More than 30 years
- 6) Reunification is not possible

4. How helpful do you feel the following are in achieving reunification?

	Very helpful	Somewhat helpful	Not very helpful	Not at all helpful
4a. Humanitarian aid such as rice, fertilizers, and medication	1	2	3	4
4b. Socio-cultural exchanges between North and South Korea through academics, artists, athletes, and religious figures	1	2	3	4
4c. Economic cooperation between North and South Korea such as Mount Geumgang and Gaesung tourism and Gaesung industrial complex business	1	2	3	4
4d. Regular summits between North and South Korea	1	2	3	4

5. How urgent do you feel the following are in order to achieve reunification?

	Very urgent	Somewhat urgent	Not very urgent	Not at all urgent
5a. Holding talks between North and South Korea on a regular basis	1	2	3	4
5b. The opening and reform of North Korea	1	2	3	4
5c. Alleviation of military tension	1	2	3	4
5d. Withdrawal of US forces from South Korea	1	2	3	4
5e. Resolving the issues of separated families and South Korean prisoners of war	1	2	3	4
5f. Human rights reform in North Korea	1	2	3	4

6. What do you feel is the compelling reason for the reunification of North and South Korea?
- 1) Because we are the same people
 - 2) To relieve the pain of separated families
 - 3) To eliminate the threat of war between North and South Korea
 - 4) For the improved welfare of the North Korean people
 - 5) So South Korea can become a more advanced and developed nation
 - 6) Other (Please specify _____)

7. How beneficial do you think reunification will be to South Korea?
- 1) Very beneficial
 - 2) Somewhat beneficial
 - 3) Not very beneficial
 - 4) Not at all beneficial

8. How beneficial do you think reunification will be for you?
- 1) Very beneficial
 - 2) Somewhat beneficial
 - 3) Not very beneficial
 - 4) Not at all beneficial

9. How much do you think the following social problems will be improved after reunification?
Or do you feel they will worsen?

	Greatly improve	Somewhat improve	No change	Somewhat worsen	Greatly worsen
9a. Gap between the rich and the poor	1	2	3	4	5
9b. Speculative investment in real-estate	1	2	3	4	5
9c. Unemployment	1	2	3	4	5
9d. Crime	1	2	3	4	5
9e. Regional conflicts	1	2	3	4	5
9f. Ideological conflicts	1	2	3	4	5

10. What kind of relationship do you think the democracy of South Korea has with reunification?
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12. What kind of system do you think a reunified Korea should adopt?
- 1) The current South Korean system should be maintained.
 - 2) There should be a compromise between the South and North Korean systems.
 - 3) The two separate systems of South and North Korea should be maintained even after reunification.
 - 4) It doesn't matter what system is adopted as long as reunification is achieved.
13. What do you think North Korea means to South Korea?
- 1) It is a country to be assisted
 - 2) It is a partner for cooperation
 - 3) It is a competitor
 - 4) It is a country to be guarded against
 - 5) It is a country which threatens our security
14. Do you think the North Korean regime is capable of cooperation and compromise in discussing reunification?
- 1) Very possible
 - 2) Somewhat possible
 - 3) Not very possible
 - 4) Not at all possible
15. How much do you think the North Korean regime (the Kim Jong-Il regime) wants to achieve reunification? Or do you think it does not desire reunification?
- 1) Strongly desires
 - 2) Somewhat desires
 - 3) Not very desired
 - 4) Not at all desired
16. How much do you think North Korea has changed in the last few years?
- 1) Very much changed
 - 2) Somewhat changed
 - 3) Not very much changed
 - 4) Not at all changed
17. How possible do you think an armed provocation by North Korea is?
- 1) Very possible
 - 2) Somewhat possible
 - 3) Not very possible
 - 4) Not at all possible

18. How knowledgeable are you about the following issues related to North Korea?

	Very knowledgeable	Somewhat knowledgeable	Have heard of it	Not at all knowledgeable
18a. "Military first" policy	1	2	3	4
18b. Juche ideology	1	2	3	4
18c. Chollima movement	1	2	3	4
18d. March of suffering	1	2	3	4
18e. Jangmadang	1	2	3	4
18f. Arirang Festival	1	2	3	4

19. Have you experienced the following in relation to North Korea?

	Yes	No
19a. I have visited Mount Geumgang and/or Gaesung industrial complex	1	2
19b. I have met with a North Korean defector (Saeteomin)	1	2
19c. I have watched North Korean broadcast or movies, or read North Korean novels	1	2
19d. I have participated in North Korea related organizations or activities	1	2

20. Do you think there are differences between South and North Korea in the following? Or do you feel there are no differences?

	Very different	Somewhat different	Not very different	Not at all different
20a. Election	1	2	3	4
20b. Standard of living	1	2	3	4
20c. Judicial system	1	2	3	4
20d. Language	1	2	3	4
20e. Customs (the four ceremonial occasions of coming of age, wedding, funeral, and ancestral rites, etc.)	1	2	3	4
20f. Value system	1	2	3	4

21. How threatened do you feel by North Korea's possession of nuclear weapons?

- 1) Strongly threatened
- 2) Somewhat threatened
- 3) Not very threatened
- 4) Not at all threatened

22. Do you agree with the statement “North Korea will not give up its nuclear weapons”? Or do you not agree?
- 1) Strongly agree
 - 2) Somewhat agree
 - 3) Somewhat disagree
 - 4) Strongly disagree
 - 5) Do not know
23. How helpful do you think North Korean aid is to the lives of the people of North Korea?
- 1) Very helpful
 - 2) Somewhat helpful
 - 3) Not very helpful
 - 4) Not at all helpful
24. How much do you think North Korean aid should be increased?
- 1) Greatly increased ----- Go to question 25
 - 2) Somewhat increased ----- Go to question 25
 - 3) Should remain at its current level ---- Go to question 25
 - 4) Somewhat decreased ----- Go to question 24-1
 - 5) Greatly decreased ----- Go to question 24-1
- 24-1. If you feel the current aid to North Korea should be decreased, why do you feel that way?
- 1) Because the goods do not reach the North Korean people in need
 - 2) Because aid to North Korea sustains the North Korean regime
 - 3) Because aid to North Korea is used politically
 - 4) Because aid to North Korea increases the tax burdens of South Korean citizens
 - 5) Other (Please specify: _____)
25. How helpful do you think economic cooperation between the North and the South is for the opening and reform of North Korea?
- 1) Very helpful
 - 2) Somewhat helpful
 - 3) Not very helpful
 - 4) Not at all helpful
26. How satisfied are you with the current government’s policy on North Korea?
- 1) Very satisfied
 - 2) Somewhat satisfied
 - 3) Somewhat dissatisfied
 - 4) Very dissatisfied

27. How well do you think the current government is reflecting the opinions of the general public on its policy decisions regarding North Korea?

- 1) Very well reflected
- 2) Somewhat reflected
- 3) Not very well reflected
- 4) Not at all reflected

28. Do you agree with the opinion “The current government should succeed the agreements with North Korea entered into by the previous government”? Or do you not agree?

- 1) Strongly agree
- 2) Somewhat agree
- 3) Somewhat disagree
- 4) Strongly disagree
- 5) Do not know

29. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
29a. The Gaesung industrial complex must be maintained even if it means making some sacrifices	1	2	3	4	5
29b. North Korean aid should be stopped until North Korean nuclear weapons issues are resolved	1	2	3	4	5
29c. The government should stop the dissemination of leaflets	1	2	3	4	5
29d. The government should continuously bring up the issue of North Korea’s human rights violations	1	2	3	4	5
29e. The government should take part in the global sanctions against North Korea	1	2	3	4	5

30. How much do you think each of the following countries are responsible for the recent deterioration of North-South relations?

	Largely responsible	Somewhat responsible	Neither responsible nor not responsible	Not very responsible	Not responsible at all
30a. North Korea	1	2	3	4	5
30b. South Korea	1	2	3	4	5
30c. United States	1	2	3	4	5
30d. China	1	2	3	4	5
30e. Japan	1	2	3	4	5

31. How close do you feel to the North Korean defectors (Saeteomin) residing in South Korea?
- 1) Very close
 - 2) Somewhat close
 - 3) Not very close
 - 4) Not at all close

32. How do you feel about establishing the following relationships with North Korean defectors (Saeteomin)?

	Very reluctant	Somewhat reluctant	Neither reluctant nor not reluctant	Not very reluctant	Not at all reluctant
32a. Neighbors	1	2	3	4	5
32b. Coworkers	1	2	3	4	5
32c. Business partner	1	2	3	4	5
32d. Spouse	1	2	3	4	5

33. How do you think we should deal with North Korean defectors (Saeteomin) wanting to enter South Korea?
- 1) We should accept all those who want to enter.
 - 2) We should selectively allow entrance to some.
 - 3) We should not accept any more defectors.

34. How much do you agree with the following statements on the North Korean defectors (Saeteomin) residing in South Korea? Or do you not agree?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
34a. North Korean defectors (Saeteomin) are helpful in overcoming the differences between the North and South	1	2	3	4
34b. The government should increase the support of North Korean defectors (Saeteomin)	1	2	3	4
34c. Employment is becoming more difficult due to North Korean defectors (Saeteomin)	1	2	3	4
34d. North Korean defectors (Saeteomin) should also compete equally in organizations	1	2	3	4

35. Which of the following country do you feel the closest to (familiar with)?
- 1) United States
 - 2) Japan
 - 3) North Korea
 - 4) China
 - 5) Russia

36. Which of the following countries do you feel is the most threatening to the peace of the Korean peninsula?

- 1) United States
- 2) Japan
- 3) North Korea
- 4) China
- 5) Russia

37. Which team would you root for if the North Korean and United States teams play against each other in the World Cup?

- 1) North Korean team
- 2) United States team
- 3) Both teams
- 4) Neither team
- 5) Other (Please specify _____)

38. What kind of relationship do you feel we have with the following countries?

	Partners in cooperation	Competitors	Country to be guarded against	Antagonistic relationship
38a. United States	1	2	3	4
38b. Japan	1	2	3	4
38c. China	1	2	3	4
38d. Russia	1	2	3	4

39. How do you think the four neighboring nations will react if a war breaks out on the Korean peninsula?

	Will aid South Korea	Will aid North Korea	Will act according to its own interests	Will remain neutral
39a. United States	1	2	3	4
39b. Japan	1	2	3	4
39c. China	1	2	3	4
39d. Russia	1	2	3	4

40. Do you feel the following countries want the reunification of North and South Korea? Or do you feel they do not?

	Strongly desires	Somewhat desires	Not very desired	Not at all desired
40a. United States	1	2	3	4
40b. Japan	1	2	3	4
40c. China	1	2	3	4
40d. Russia	1	2	3	4

41. How necessary is cooperation from the countries surrounding the Korean peninsula to achieve reunification between North and South Korea?

- 1) Strongly necessary
- 2) Somewhat necessary
- 3) Not very necessary
- 4) Not at all necessary

42. How necessary is help needed from the following countries to achieve reunification between North and South Korea?

	Strongly necessary	Somewhat necessary	Not very necessary	Not necessary at all
42a. United States	1	2	3	4
42b. Japan	1	2	3	4
42c. China	1	2	3	4
42d. Russia	1	2	3	4

43. Which do you feel is more important between “the improvement of relations between North and South Korea” or “cooperation between South Korea and the US”?

- 1) Improvement of North-South relations
- 2) Cooperation between South Korea and the United States
- 3) Equally important

44. How positive or negative do you think were the influences of the following events on our society?

	Very positive	Mostly positive	Mostly negative	Very negative	Do not know
44a. 4.19 (April Revolution)	1	2	3	4	5
44b. 5.16 (May 16 coup)	1	2	3	4	5
44c. October Yushin	1	2	3	4	5
44d. 5.18 (Gwangju Democratization Movement)					
44e. June Democratic Uprising	1	2	3	4	5
44f. North-South Korea Summit	1	2	3	4	5

45. How positively or negatively do you evaluate the achievements of former President Park Chung-Hee?

- 1) Very positive
- 2) Mostly positive
- 3) Mostly negative
- 4) Very negative
- 5) Do not know

46. How serious do you feel are the following problems in our society today?

	Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not very serious	Not at all serious
46a. Gap between the rich and the poor	1	2	3	4
46b. Speculative investment in real estate	1	2	3	4
46c. Unemployment	1	2	3	4
46d. Crime	1	2	3	4
46e. Regional conflicts	1	2	3	4
46f. Ideological conflicts	1	2	3	4
46g. Anti-Americanism	1	2	3	4

47. How interested are you in politics?

- 1) Very interested
- 2) Somewhat interested
- 3) Not very interested
- 4) Not at all interested

48. How liberal do you feel your political views are? Or do you feel you are conservative?

- 1) Very liberal
- 2) Somewhat liberal
- 3) Neither liberal nor conservative
- 4) Somewhat conservative
- 5) Very conservative

49. How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the current Korean economy?

- 1) Very satisfied
- 2) Somewhat satisfied
- 3) Somewhat dissatisfied
- 4) Very dissatisfied

50. How proud do you feel to be Korean?

- 1) Very proud
- 2) Somewhat proud
- 3) Not very proud
- 4) Not at all proud

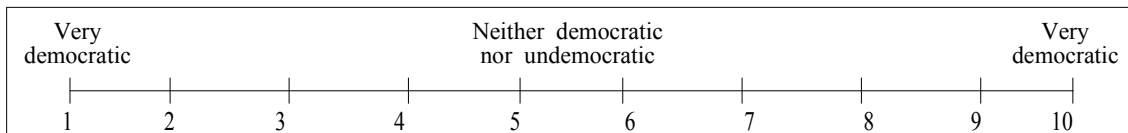
51. How strongly do you feel the following actions should be allowed? Or do you feel they should not be allowed?

	Must be allowed	Should be allowed	Should not be allowed	Must not be allowed
51a. Public demonstrations against government policy	1	2	3	4
51b. Nationwide solidarity strikes by laborers	1	2	3	4
51c. Anonymously criticizing others on the internet	1	2	3	4

52. How much do you agree with the statement “the candlelight demonstrations have positively influenced our society”?

- 1) Strongly agree
- 2) Somewhat agree
- 3) Neither agree nor disagree
- 4) Somewhat disagree
- 5) Strongly disagree

53. How democratic do you think South Korean society is today? Please indicate between 1 to 10, 1 being “very undemocratic” and 10 being “Very democratic”.



54. How great do you think the possibility is of a war breaking out on the Korean peninsula?

- 1) Strongly possible
- 2) Somewhat possible
- 3) Not very possible
- 4) Not possible at all

D1) What is your occupation?

- 1) Farming/Fishing/Livestock industry (Including family workers)
- 2) Self-employed (small business owner with less than 9 employees, family worker, pharmacy, private taxi driver)
- 3) Sales/Service (Store clerk, salesmen, insurance agent)
- 4) Technical/Skilled worker (Heavy machinery/truck driver, electric/home appliance technician, etc.)
- 5) General labor (Construction, sanitation, security guard, manual labor, etc.)
- 6) Clerical/Skilled worker (Office worker, skilled worker, kindergarten/Elementary school/middle school/ high school teacher, corporate web designer, computer programmer, etc.)
- 7) Management/administration (High ranking government official above grade 5, principal, position higher than corporate department head, etc.)
- 8) Professional/Freelancer (College professor, lawyer, artist, religious leader, journalist, high income freelancer, doctor, designer/programmer, etc.)

- 9) Homemaker
- 10) Student (High school/College/Graduate school)
- 11) Soldier/Police
- 12) Unemployed
- 13) Other (Please specify _____)

D2) What is your marital status?

- 1) Never married
- 2) Married
- 3) Divorced/Separated
- 4) Widowed

D3) What is your highest level of education?

- 1) Less than completion of elementary school
- 2) Completion of middle school
- 3) Completion of high school
- 4) Enrollment or completion of college
- 5) Enrollment in graduate school and beyond

D4) What is your religious affiliation?

- 1) Buddhist
- 2) Protestant
- 3) Catholic
- 4) Other (Please specify _____)

D5) What is the total average monthly income of all members of your current household? Please indicate your total household monthly income before taxes including savings, income from rented property, and interests.

- 1) Below 490,000 won
- 2) 500,000 - 990,000 won
- 3) 1,000,000 - 1,490,000 won
- 4) 1,500,000 - 1,990,000 won
- 5) 2,000,000 - 2,490,000 won
- 6) 2,500,000 - 2,990,000 won
- 7) 3,000,000 - 3,490,000 won
- 8) 3,500,000 - 3,990,000 won
- 9) 4,000,000 - 4,990,000 won
- 10) 5,000,000 - 5,990,000 won
- 11) 6,000,000 - 6,990,000 won
- 12) 7,000,000 won or more

D6) In comparison to the average Korean household, how much higher or lower do you think your household income is from the median?

- 1) Much higher than the median
- 2) Somewhat higher than the median
- 3) Close to the median
- 4) Somewhat lower than the median
- 5) Much lower than the median

D7) In what class do you feel you belong to within the Korean society?

- 1) Top half of the upper class
- 2) Lower half of the upper class
- 3) Top half of the middle class
- 4) Lower half of the middle class
- 5) Top half of the lower class
- 6) Lower half of the lower class

D8) In comparing your current living standards to that of your parents when they were your age, how much do you think things have either improved or gotten worse?

- 1) Greatly improved
- 2) Somewhat improved
- 3) No change
- 4) Somewhat worsened
- 5) Greatly worsened
- 6) Do not know

D9) In which of the followings places did you live the longest until age 15?

- 1) Seoul
- 2) Busan
- 3) Daegu
- 4) Incheon
- 5) Gwangju
- 6) Daejeon
- 7) Ulsan
- 8) Gyeonggi-do
- 9) Gangwon-do
- 10) Chungcheongbuk-do
- 11) Chungcheongnam-do
- 12) Jeollabuk-do
- 13) Jeollanam-do
- 14) Gyeongsangbuk-do
- 15) Gyeongsangnam-do
- 16) Jeju
- 17) North Korea
- 18) In another country