

Understanding Society Wave 7

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You may know that for many years your family have been part of the "Understanding Society" study. We speak to them every year in order to find out how their lives change and what they think about life in the UK today.

As you turn 16, you become one of our specially selected people with whom we would like to speak. So far others in your household may have told us a little bit about you, but now you can have a voice of your own. We hope that you will use this opportunity to tell us and others about what it is like to be young in the UK.

Your £10 voucher and chance to win an ipad

We've enclosed a £10 voucher to say thank you for your help and let you know we value your contribution. Plus, to welcome you to the adult survey, you will automatically be entered into a prize draw for an iPad when you complete your interview.

3 reasons to be part of Understanding Society

- We can't replace you. No-one else can take your place as no-one else has your mix of circumstances.
- 2. Your contribution helps build a more detailed picture of life in the UK. Each year the study becomes more valuable to researchers who are interested in how changes in society are affecting the lives of people in the UK and the choices they make.
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I enjoy the time with my interviewer – it gives me a rare chance to reflect on life

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