

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE): Student questionnaire

Introduction

Hello and welcome to our survey!

This survey is being conducted by Chrysalis Research, an independent research company, on behalf of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) charity.

We would like to find out what you thought about doing your DofE and what you gained from it.

Please follow the instructions carefully for each question. If you are not sure about anything, please ask your teachers or other school staff for help.

There are no right or wrong answers to the questions that we ask. We are really interested in your thoughts and opinions, so please be open and honest. The questionnaire should take about 5-10 minutes to complete. We will not ask for your name in the survey and won't tell anyone about your answers: all of your answers will be anonymous and kept confidential.

Your teacher has more information about how Chrysalis Research keep your answers safe and how to contact the research team if you have any questions about the research.

Please tick this box if you are happy to answer these questions

About you

1. How old are you? *Please tick one box only*

<input type="checkbox"/> 14	<input type="checkbox"/> 17
<input type="checkbox"/> 15	<input type="checkbox"/> 18
<input type="checkbox"/> 16	<input type="checkbox"/> Older than 18

2. Are you a ... *(Please select one only)*

Boy/Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Girl/Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Prefer not to say <input type="checkbox"/>
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Doing your DofE

3. Which Award level were you doing the last school year? Please select one only

Bronze <input type="checkbox"/>	Silver <input type="checkbox"/>	Gold <input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Why did you want to do your DofE? Please select up to three statements which are true for you.

<input type="checkbox"/>	I thought it would be fun
<input type="checkbox"/>	I thought it would be good for my CV or when going to college or university
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to be outdoors
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to become more independent
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to challenge myself
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to develop as a person, e.g. to improve my confidence or how I work with others
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to develop practical skills, e.g. putting up tents, first aid
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to try something new and different
<input type="checkbox"/>	My friends were doing it and I didn't want to be left out
<input type="checkbox"/>	I wanted to prove to myself and/or others that I can do it
<input type="checkbox"/>	My friends or family members have done their DofE and I liked what they told me about it

5. What was doing your DofE like? Think about all sections of the DofE programme — **Physical, Skills, Volunteering, Expedition, Residential (if you're doing your Gold DofE).** Please select up to three words that best describe your experience last year or describe it in your own word(s) below

<input type="checkbox"/>	Challenging	<input type="checkbox"/>	Frustrating
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enjoyable	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fun
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exciting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rewarding
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tiring	<input type="checkbox"/>	Too hard

If you want to use your own words to describe your experience, write them here



6. Have you completed the DofE programme you were doing last year? Please select one only.

<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed everything and submitted all the evidence
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed all the sections, but I still need to submit some of the evidence
<input type="checkbox"/>	I will still be working on it this year
<input type="checkbox"/>	I decided not to continue with my DofE
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please briefly explain below)

7. What has changed about you as a person, as a result of you doing your DofE? Please select one only on each line.

	Got much better	Got a little better	Stayed the same	Got a little worse	Got much worse	I don't know
Your confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Being independent	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Being able to look on the bright side, especially when things are hard	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Being more physically active	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Your communication skills: how you listen and talk to people	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Managing, when things are hard and frustrating	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Your ability to work with others	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Your understanding of other people and how they feel	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Giving new things a go	<input type="checkbox"/>					



8. Could you give us an example of how you developed or changed as a person as a result of doing your DofE?

Final comments

9. Would you recommend the DofE to others? *Please select one*

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please tell us more in the box below)

10. Are you thinking of doing the next or a higher level of DofE? *Select one*

<input type="checkbox"/>	Definitely
<input type="checkbox"/>	Possibly
<input type="checkbox"/>	Not sure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unlikely
<input type="checkbox"/>	Definitely not
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am already doing or have done the highest (Gold) level

11. If you have any other comments or thoughts about doing your DofE or what you gained from it, please leave them here.

Thank you!