

**2014 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 7 SEPTEMBER
FINAL TOPLINE
SEPTEMBER 9-OCTOBER 3, 2014
TOTAL N=3154
WEB RESPONDENTS N=2811
MAIL RESPONDENTS N=343¹**

QUESTIONS 1 THROUGH 36 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

Q.37 Regardless of whether or not you think these skills are good to have, which ones do you think are MOST IMPORTANT for children to get ahead in the world today? *[Check all that apply.]*²

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS A TO J, WITH NONE OF THE ABOVE ALWAYS LAST]

	<u>Yes, selected</u>	<u>Did not select item³</u>	<u>No answer to set⁴</u>
a. Art skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	23	77	*
b. Music skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	24	76	*
c. Athletic skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	25	74	*
d. Math skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	79	21	*
e. Science skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	58	41	*
f. Writing skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	75	24	*
g. Teamwork skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	77	23	*
h. Reading skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	86	14	*
i. Logic skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	74	25	*
j. Communication skills Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	90	10	*

QUESTIONS 38 THROUGH END PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

¹ Question wording in this topline is based on the web version of the survey unless otherwise noted. Question wording and format was adapted for the paper questionnaire delivered by mail; this questionnaire is available on request. All questions asked in both modes unless noted.

² Note that respondents could select all that apply; most selected more than one skill as "most important" for children to get ahead in the world today.

³ Figures in this column include 2% who selected "none of the above" to the question series.

⁴ Less than one percent skipped the question, and thus did not explicitly check the "none of the above" option nor did they select any other item provided.