Active Parenting 4th Edition Survey FAQ

When should I administer this survey to my Active Parenting group?

Administer it twice to each group: first as a Pretest, on the first day of the course; then again as a Posttest, on the last day of the course.

How do I score the survey?

Pages 2-4 of this document contain scoring keys for the three scales of the survey. For each parent, make a copy of the scoring keys and follow the directions to calculate a Final Score for each scale. Do this for both the Pretest and the Posttest.

What do the scores mean?

Generally speaking, the higher the score, the better the outcome, but we do not provide a key to analyzing the raw scores because those numbers are not very meaningful on their own. We recommend that leaders compare parents' Pretest scores to their Posttest scores to gauge their improvement over the course of the program.

How do I measure a parent's improvement?

Follow these directions for each of the three scales:

1.	After you have calculated the Final Score for both the Pretest and the Posttest, subtract the Pretest Final Score from the Posttest Final Score:			
	Posttest Final Score			
	Pretest Final Score			
	Improvement Score			
2.	To convert the Improvement Score into a percentage, divide it by the Pretest Final Score, then multiply the result by 100:			
	Improvement Score / Pretest Final Score = x 100 = 9			

Example:

If, on Scale 1, a parent's Pretest Final Score is 15 and Posttest Final Score is 20...

1. Subtract to find the Improvement Score:

20 (Posttest Final Score)
-15 (Pretest Final Score)

5 (Improvement Score)

2. Convert the Improvement Score to a percentage:

5 (Improvement Score) / 15 (Pretest Final Score) = $\underline{0.33} \times 100 = 33\%$ improvement

Scoring Key for Active Parenting 4th Edition Survey

SCALE 1 - Parent Attitudes and Beliefs

(Questions 11-30)

PRETEST

1.	Add the scores	for the po	ositive items,	converting letters	to numbers as follows

A = 1 B = 2 C = 3 D = 4 E = 5

PRETEST	POSTTEST
11	11
12	12
13	13
15	15
17	17
19	19
20	20
21	21
25	25
28	28
Total Positive (Pretest)	Total Positive (Posttest)

2. Add the scores of the reverse items, converting letters to numbers as follows:

POSTTEST

$$A = 1$$
 $B = 2$ $C = 3$ $D = 4$ $E = 5$

14	14
16	16
18	18
22	22
23	23
24	24
26	26
27	27
29	29
30	30
Total Reverse (Pretest)	Total Reverse (Posttest)

1. Subtract the Total Reverse score from the Total Positive score:

PRETEST	POSTTEST	
Total Positive (Pretest)	Total Positive (Posttest)	
Total Reverse (Pretest)	Total Reverse (Posttest)	
Pretest Final Score	Posttest Final Score	

^{*}The internal consistency reliability (alpha) of this scale is .8549

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SCALE 2 - Parent Observation of Child Behavior* (Questions 31-50)

1.	Add the scores for the	positive items,	converting letters t	o numbers as follows:

A = 1 B = 2 C = 3 D = 4 E = 5**PRETEST POSTTEST** 32. ____ 32. ____ 34. ___ 34. ____ 38. ____ 38. ____ 39. ___ 39. ___ 40. ____ **40.** 41. ____ 41. ____ 42. ____ 42. ____ 44. ____ 44. ____ 46. **46.** 48. ____ 48. ____ 49. ____ 49. ____ 50. ____ **50. Total Positive (Pretest) Total Positive (Posttest)**

2. Add the scores of the reverse items, converting letters to numbers as follows:

A = 1 B = 2 C = 3 D = 4 E = 531. 31. ___ 33. ____ 33. ___ 35. ____ **35.** 36. ____ 36. ____ 37. ___ 37. ____ 43. ____ 43. ____ 45. ____ 45. ____ 47. 47.

____ Total Positive (Pretest) ____ Total Positive (Posttest)

2. Subtract the Total Reverse score from the Total Positive score:

PRETEST

_____ Total Positive (Pretest)

-____ Total Reverse (Pretest)

Pretest Final Score

POSTTEST

____ Total Positive (Posttest)

-____ Total Reverse (Posttest)

Posttest Final Score

^{*}The internal consistency reliability (alpha) of this scale is .7884

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SCALE 3 – Parent Behaviors*

(Questions 51-70)

1. Add the scores for the positive items, converting letters to numbers as foll

A = 1 B = 2 C = 3 D = 4 E = 5**PRETEST POSTTEST** 51. ____ 51. ____ **52.** ____ 52. ____ **53.** 53. ____ 54. ____ 54. ____ 55. ____ **55.** 56. ____ **56.** ____ **57.** ____ **57. 59.** ____ **59.** ____ 61. ___ 61. ____ **62. 62.** ____ 64. ____ 64. ____ **65.** ____ 65. ____ **66.** 66. ____ 67. ____ **67.** ____ **68.** ____ **68.** 69. ___ **69.** ____ 70. ____ **70.**

2. Add the scores of the reverse items, converting letters to numbers as follows:

Total Positive (Posttest)

$$A = 1$$
 $B = 2$ $C = 3$ $D = 4$ $E = 5$

Total Positive (Pretest)

3. Subtract the Total Reverse score from the Total Positive score:

PRETEST	POSTTEST	
Total Positive (Pretest)	Total Positive (Posttest)	
Total Reverse (Pretest)	Total Reverse (Posttest)	
Pretest Final Score	Posttest Final Score	

^{*}The internal consistency reliability (alpha) of this scale is .8346