# The Oxford Happiness Questionnaire (OHQ)





The Oxford Happiness Questionnaire, designed to measure individual happiness, is based on the Oxford Happiness Inventory (OHI). The OHQ is valid and reliable; researchers found  “a battery of personality variables known to be associated with well-being [that] were stronger for OHQ than for the OHI” (Hills & Argyle, 2001, p. 1073). This questionnaire has 29 self-report statements for responses on a 6-point Likert scale. A shortened 8-item version is also available. The OHQ has been used in several studies including a study of mindfulness and wellbeing (St-Louis et al., 2018).

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| **Pros for Schools** | **Cons for Schools** |
| 29 questions  shortened 8-item version available Widely used |  |

### Suggestions for Further Research

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