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Table 1

Q.1 Before becoming Prime Minister, Tony Blair said his priorities for office would be education, education, education. Overall, do you feel the Labour Government have delivered on this?

Base: All respondents

	<u>Gender</u>			<u>Age</u>						<u>Social Grade</u>				<u>Region</u>			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>18-24</u>	<u>25-34</u>	<u>35-44</u>	<u>45-54</u>	<u>55-64</u>	<u>65+</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>C1</u>	<u>C2</u>	<u>DE</u>	<u>South East</u>	<u>Mid-lands</u>	<u>North Eng-land</u>	<u>Wales & South West</u>
Unweighted base	850	379	471	68	105	153	190	153	181	271	220	144	215	233	261	270	86
Weighted base	863	416	448	108	130	177	148	124	176	221	258	185	199	263	263	248	89
Yes	244 28%	109 26%	135 30%	35 32%	34 26%	58 33%	38 26%	35 28%	44 25%	60 27%	71 28%	54 29%	59 29%	74 28%	71 27%	67 27%	32 36%
No	577 67%	285 69%	292 65%	63 59%	86 67%	114 64%	101 68%	87 70%	126 71%	152 69%	180 70%	118 64%	127 63%	175 67%	182 69%	167 67%	52 58%
Don't know	43 5%	22 5%	21 5%	10 9%	9 7%	5 3%	9 6%	3 2%	7 4%	9 4%	7 3%	13 7%	14 7%	14 5%	10 4%	14 6%	5 6%

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Q.2 Do you agree or disagree with these statements?

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	<u>Gender</u>		<u>Age</u>							<u>Social Grade</u>				<u>Region</u>			Wales & South West
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>18-24</u>	<u>25-34</u>	<u>35-44</u>	<u>45-54</u>	<u>55-64</u>	<u>65+</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>C1</u>	<u>C2</u>	<u>DE</u>	<u>South East</u>	<u>Mid- lands</u>	<u>North Eng- land</u>	
Unweighted base	850	379	471	68	105	153	190	153	181	271	220	144	215	233	261	270	86
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<u>Labour have improved the overall quality of the education system since coming to power in 1997</u>																	
Agree	353 41%	155 37%	199 44%	60 55%	51 39%	78 44%	59 40%	46 37%	59 33%	82 37%	105 41%	77 42%	88 44%	102 39%	107 41%	100 40%	44 50%
Disagree	451 52%	235 57%	216 48%	38 36%	66 51%	88 50%	78 53%	72 58%	107 61%	130 59%	139 54%	89 48%	93 47%	144 55%	140 53%	126 51%	41 46%
Don't know	60 7%	26 6%	33 7%	10 9%	12 10%	11 6%	10 7%	6 5%	10 6%	9 4%	14 5%	19 10%	18 9%	17 6%	17 6%	22 9%	4 5%
<u>Labour's education policies have failed to live up to expectations</u>																	
Agree	521 60%	247 59%	275 61%	67 62%	76 58%	108 61%	86 58%	74 60%	110 63%	136 62%	168 65%	104 56%	113 57%	171 65%	159 60%	137 55%	55 62%
Disagree	292 34%	148 36%	144 32%	31 29%	49 38%	60 34%	52 35%	46 37%	55 31%	76 34%	82 32%	69 37%	66 33%	75 28%	88 34%	97 39%	32 36%
Don't know	50 6%	21 5%	30 7%	10 9%	5 4%	10 5%	10 7%	4 4%	11 6%	9 4%	9 3%	12 6%	20 10%	18 7%	16 6%	14 6%	2 3%
<u>State education is worse now than it was in 1997</u>																	
Agree	407 47%	204 49%	203 45%	42 39%	61 47%	80 45%	70 47%	60 48%	94 53%	101 46%	127 49%	93 50%	87 44%	133 51%	124 47%	115 46%	35 40%
Disagree	374 43%	171 41%	203 45%	52 48%	56 44%	83 47%	61 41%	57 46%	65 37%	99 45%	117 45%	75 40%	83 42%	95 36%	118 45%	112 45%	50 56%
Don't know	82 10%	41 10%	41 9%	14 13%	12 9%	14 8%	18 12%	7 6%	17 10%	20 9%	15 6%	18 10%	29 15%	35 13%	22 8%	21 8%	4 5%

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Weighted base	863	416	448	108	130	177	148	124	176	221	258	185	199	263	263	248	89
<u>State education is better now than it would have been if the Conservatives had been in power for the past 12 years</u>																	
Agree	333 39%	159 38%	175 39%	41 38%	65 50%	68 39%	49 33%	49 39%	61 35%	87 39%	105 41%	71 38%	71 35%	91 35%	97 37%	107 43%	37 42%
Disagree	412 48%	198 48%	215 48%	39 37%	44 34%	95 54%	81 55%	64 52%	89 50%	106 48%	124 48%	91 49%	91 46%	135 51%	126 48%	112 45%	39 44%
Don't know	118 14%	59 14%	59 13%	27 25%	21 16%	14 8%	18 12%	12 9%	26 15%	27 12%	30 11%	23 12%	38 19%	37 14%	40 15%	29 12%	12 14%

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Q.3 In your opinion, has Labour's management of Britain's education system over the past 12 years achieved each of the following?

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	<u>Gender</u>			<u>Age</u>						<u>Social Grade</u>				<u>Region</u>			
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>18-24</u>	<u>25-34</u>	<u>35-44</u>	<u>45-54</u>	<u>55-64</u>	<u>65+</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>C1</u>	<u>C2</u>	<u>DE</u>	<u>South East</u>	<u>Mid-lands</u>	<u>North Eng-land</u>	<u>Wales & South West</u>
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<u>Made it harder for people from poorer backgrounds to gain a good education</u>																	
Yes	418 48%	208 50%	211 47%	55 51%	68 53%	85 48%	66 45%	61 49%	83 47%	105 48%	123 47%	97 53%	94 47%	134 51%	113 43%	124 50%	47 53%
No	409 47%	191 46%	218 49%	51 47%	56 43%	81 46%	75 51%	60 49%	86 49%	109 49%	127 49%	80 43%	93 47%	119 45%	138 53%	116 47%	36 40%
Don't know	36 4%	17 4%	19 4%	2 2%	5 4%	11 6%	7 5%	3 3%	7 4%	7 3%	8 3%	8 4%	13 6%	10 4%	11 4%	8 3%	6 7%
<u>Given parents more choice regarding the schools they send their children too</u>																	
Yes	329 38%	160 38%	170 38%	56 52%	49 38%	60 34%	52 35%	45 36%	68 39%	83 37%	92 36%	66 36%	88 44%	88 33%	100 38%	104 42%	38 42%
No	483 56%	230 55%	254 57%	44 41%	69 53%	111 62%	87 59%	72 58%	100 57%	124 56%	152 59%	107 58%	101 51%	164 62%	148 56%	127 51%	45 50%
Don't know	51 6%	26 6%	24 5%	8 7%	11 9%	7 4%	9 6%	7 6%	8 5%	14 6%	14 6%	12 7%	10 5%	11 4%	15 6%	17 7%	7 8%
<u>Used the investment it has made in education in the most effective way</u>																	
Yes	259 30%	113 27%	146 33%	38 35%	44 34%	59 33%	41 28%	35 28%	41 23%	55 25%	81 31%	57 31%	65 33%	67 25%	79 30%	77 31%	36 40%
No	548 63%	282 68%	266 59%	64 59%	81 63%	106 60%	96 65%	81 65%	119 67%	154 70%	163 63%	113 61%	117 59%	184 70%	166 63%	150 60%	48 54%
Don't know	57 7%	21 5%	36 8%	6 6%	4 3%	12 7%	11 7%	8 7%	16 9%	11 5%	14 5%	15 8%	17 9%	13 5%	18 7%	21 8%	6 6%

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<u>Created the right balance between central control over schools and local decision-making</u>																	
Yes	275 32%	114 27%	161 36%	49 46%	51 39%	60 34%	38 26%	31 25%	46 26%	69 31%	83 32%	58 31%	65 33%	83 32%	81 31%	84 34%	27 30%
No	513 59%	270 65%	243 54%	49 45%	73 57%	105 59%	92 62%	84 68%	110 62%	136 62%	153 59%	111 60%	113 57%	158 60%	160 61%	141 57%	54 60%
Don't know	76 9%	32 8%	44 10%	10 9%	6 4%	12 7%	19 13%	9 7%	20 12%	15 7%	22 9%	17 9%	22 11%	22 8%	22 8%	23 9%	9 10%

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Table 4

Q.4 Which party do you think has the best policies on education?

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Conservative	305 35%	155 37%	151 34%	30 28%	35 27%	58 33%	58 39%	46 37%	78 44%	84 38%	105 41%	62 34%	54 27%	103 39%	93 35%	75 30%	34 38%
Labour	216 25%	97 23%	120 27%	23 21%	31 24%	51 29%	32 21%	34 27%	45 25%	48 22%	70 27%	38 21%	60 30%	60 23%	65 25%	73 29%	18 20%
Lib Dem	130 15%	74 18%	56 13%	19 18%	23 18%	24 13%	24 16%	18 14%	22 13%	39 18%	34 13%	21 11%	36 18%	38 14%	35 13%	44 18%	13 14%
Other	23 3%	16 4%	7 2%	6 5%	5 4%	5 3%	1 *	4 3%	2 1%	3 2%	6 2%	10 6%	3 2%	3 1%	7 3%	9 4%	4 5%
None of them	54 6%	25 6%	29 6%	8 7%	8 6%	12 7%	10 7%	10 8%	5 3%	15 7%	10 4%	15 8%	14 7%	18 7%	19 7%	12 5%	5 5%
Don't know	135 16%	50 12%	85 19%	22 20%	27 21%	27 15%	23 16%	12 10%	24 14%	31 14%	33 13%	38 21%	33 17%	40 15%	45 17%	35 14%	15 17%