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College Students: Where Are They From & What Are They Thinking?

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Who are the leading authors on Millennials?

a) Dick Cheney & Al Gore
b) William Strauss & Neil Howe
c) Tom Brokaw & Dan Rather
d) Victoria Titterington & Keri Rogers
Millennials are considered to be born between

a) 1925 & 1959
b) 1960 & 1981
c) 1982 & 2001
d) 2002 - present
About how many Millennials are there in the United States?

a) 5 million  
b) 25 million  
c) 50 million  
d) 100 million
In 1997, Gallup reported the following percentage of teens felt close to their parents:

a) 45%
b) 60%
c) 75%
d) 90%
Millennials are gravitating to which of the following majors?

- Mathematics & Sciences
- Humanities
- Education
- Theology
Millennials have realized the following decline in their unstructured time (1981-1997)

a) 7%
b) 17%
c) 27%
d) 37%
Millennials have seven basic characteristics. Which of the following is not one of them?

a) Special
b) Sheltered
c) Low confidence
d) Team oriented
e) Conventional
f) Pressured
g) Achieving
Millennials Want It...

- Relevant
- Relational
- Real
- Resourceful
10 (Unspoken) Questions New SHSU Students Have During the First Days of Class*

• 1. What should I call you?

• 2. Why is the syllabus soooo long?
3. I wonder how you expect papers to be written.

4. How tough are exams? What if I get sick and have to leave in the middle?
• 5. Wow, I never heard that accent. What if I can't understand you well enough?

• 6. Will I have to say anything out loud in this class?
• 7. I added up pages in my course books and came up with over 3,000! Do I have to read them all?

• 8. The class is so large. Does anybody really care if I come late or leave early?
9. How will I know what's important in this class?

10. What if I have a question? Office hours are a nice idea, but you look sort of scary.

*Lieberg, Carolyn. *Ten Unspoken Questions from New College Students During the First Days of Class*. University of Iowa Center for Teaching. [http://www.uiowa.edu/~centeach/resources/ideas/greatbegin.html](http://www.uiowa.edu/~centeach/resources/ideas/greatbegin.html)
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Donald L. Finkel

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