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### I Introduction

As we know, Feng Shui as a Chinese traditional culture is gaining popularity in the United States. Through this questionnaire, I want to make sure what main reasons cause this fad. Some reasons have listed as below; what you have to do is put "T" / "F" to each of them.

1. Feng Shui became popular in Hong Kong and Taiwan since 1970s. At that time, many people in this two places believed in Feng Shui, most of whom were wealthy, immigrated to North America. These Chinese people usually wanted to make sure the house they were going to buy has good Feng Shui. Because of such a large number of these people, the house price rise in Vancouver, Canada. And the westerners who did the real estate business tried to learn Feng Shui to meet the need of these customers. (From 风水，院里种花墙外香? By Tao Silong)

		Response Percent	Response Total
True		60.9%	14
False		39.1%	9
Total Respondents			23
(skipped this question)			0

2. People wish to lower the risk of failure and danger in their lives and work and they turn to Feng Shui masters for help. Besides, terrorist attack such as 9/11 and other disasters make people realize that life is fragile and become more concerned about their safety. Feng Shui left the spotlight for Americans to avoid these disasters.

		Response Percent	Response Total
True		57.1%	12
False		42.9%	9
Total Respondents			21
(skipped this question)			2

3. Feng Shui emphasizes harmony between men and nature. This concept coordinates with environmental protection in modern society. Besides, Feng Shui and Environmental Behavioral Science share similar purpose and theory.

		Response Percent	Response Total
True		54.5%	12

False		45.5%	10
		<b>Total Respondents</b>	<b>22</b>
		(skipped this question)	1

4. News media propagate Feng Shui frequently in America.

		Response Percent	Response Total
True		28.6%	6
<b>False</b>		<b>71.4%</b>	<b>15</b>
		<b>Total Respondents</b>	<b>21</b>
		(skipped this question)	2

5. Many westerners interested in Chinese culture. They even benefited a lot from the four famous inventions of ancient China. So they began to pay attention to Feng Shui which is also a part of Chinese culture. What's more, they think that China has a long history, while America is a new one. There should be something that Americans can learn from; Feng Shui is just one of it.

		Response Percent	Response Total
<b>True</b>		<b>78.3%</b>	<b>18</b>
False		21.7%	5
		<b>Total Respondents</b>	<b>23</b>
		(skipped this question)	0

6. In America, there are numerous people who are in their middle or old age is still single or divorced. Since it's not easy for them to find romantic soul mates, Feng Shui, which is also advertised as a romance enhancer, give those people hope and make them feel confident.

		Response Percent	Response Total
<b>True</b>		<b>77.3%</b>	<b>17</b>
False		22.7%	5
		<b>Total Respondents</b>	<b>22</b>
		(skipped this question)	1

7. Everyone wants to be wealthy. People who are not as successful as they wish in their careers or businesses might turn to Feng Shui for help. And some of them do get a good result, so Feng Shui fulfils their psychological need.

True	
False	

Response Percent: True- 87%      Respondents Total: True-20      Total Respondents: 23  
 False-13%      False- 3      (Skipped this question):0

8. Americans companies that are doing business with Asian-based companies learn the have to incorporate Feng Shui in their American-based offices so as not to offend their Asian clients.

		Response Percent	Response Total
True		60.9%	14
False		39.1%	9
<b>Total Respondents</b>			<b>23</b>
(skipped this question)			0

**II Other Questions**

- (1) In your opinion, why do people look to Feng Shui?
- (2) How do you think the book on Feng Shui in the America market?

<u>1.</u>	Some find it a curiosity; others will take anything that offers a solution to their problem. There is a push in America to simplify life, (shows like, Clean Sweep, and books on decluttering are very popular) and Feng Shui is marketed to that trend people are liking. Books on the American market are not consistent; most of the flash ones are not well developed or rooted in Classical Feng Shui. Often books will involve ayurvedic principles and practices, or suggestions of things to buy. They also tend to emphasize small tidbits of information, and simple changes. They also mix Buddhist principles and Taoist ideas and western ideas on clutter and objects together. So overall some books are more confusing than helpful.
<u>2.</u>	Canadians and Americans look mainly to Feng Shui to improve their financial situation and luck.
<u>3.</u>	Feng shui is one of many priceless knowledge that we must preserve and develop. it's developing rapidly as the moment we speak. it's proof that mankind is looking for the best way possible to be able to create harmony in nature, as in their lives itself it's that simple
<u>4.</u>	People look to Feng Shui to have their lives go in a more favorable harmonious manner. To have more joy, health and prosperity. A well written book on Feng Shui is needed in America. Many books on Feng Shui available in America are not about authentic Feng Shui.
<u>5.</u>	To help better their lives. I think it would market well.
<u>6.</u>	Feng shui helps individuals to declutter, to remove from their space unnecessary items that limit their actions. When your

	physical space is stuffed with millions of items that collect dust and are not used on a regular basis, you become sick and unable to move forward, your air becomes stagnant and every thing seems to going nowhere. Feng shui helps you clarify your intentions and produce the necessary understanding to action your intentions.
<b>7.</b>	I thing people look to Feng Shui to help them feel better and improve their finances, health and love.
<b>8.</b>	for an advantage
<b>9.</b>	People wish to find a more harmonious way of living in their environment. Those who turn to Feng Shui do so to find better balance in their lives, and with their surroundings. There are now numerous books on Feng Shui in the American market, but like other things, only a few are actually useful.
<b>10.</b>	People do want answers and are open to new avenues of learning. There are quite a few books on the market so it would have to be an excellent and understandable book.
<b>11.</b>	People in America look to Feng Shui as a possible way to bring balance into their lives. Don't understand your second question - it's an incomplete sentence.
<b>12.</b>	The people of America are lacking balance and harmony in their lives. Despite religion, hobbies and other interests, Feng Shui presents a very real method to attain and understand balance and harmony. The American market loves new things. Since Feng Shui is something ancient, many people do not know about the real Feng Shui which is taught by Feng Shui masters like Larry Sang. This is a good thing - since many more people can advertise Feng Shui and many more people can be interested through the different marketing techniques.
<b>13.</b>	People look to Feng Shui sometimes, to help their lives run smoother...but sometimes people think that Feng Shui will fill personal voids. Such as lack of money or romance.
<b>14.</b>	People look for Feng Shui mainly because of the accelerated, stressful, and overwhelming daily life style. The people are looking for a peaceful environment at home and at work. That peace could be achieved only by reaching the balance of yin/yang, thus the people want to know identifying what is yin and what is yang in their daily life with the objective to work on achieving their balance.
<b>15.</b>	They are going for wealth mostly.
<b>16.</b>	It is an attempt to control fate

### III Demographic

Since I am a student in China, I don't know the situation of Feng Shui in America, so any comments concerning with it will be highly appreciated.

<b>1.</b>	America tends to over simplify problems (look at our two party political systems where every topic is reduced to two sides). We also like to categorize and group things. The first time I heard the term, it was explained to me as furniture arranging. No comparable set of principles exists in western culture and so we often make eastern ideas fit into our system, which distorts them somewhat. There are two movements I see regarding Feng Shui in America. One is a large group of people trying to revive a study of the basics and original texts and call it Classical Feng Shui. The other trend is to try to create a supposed better system of Feng Shui, but bringing in modern science and other traditions.
<b>2.</b>	In Canada I see Feng Shui being studied mainly by interior designers and real estate agents. Interior Designers look to Feng Shui to make their designs more appealing, real estate agents want properties to appeal to the Asian market. The problem here is that there are people who take a weekend course and think they are practioners. There are very

	few real experts and many differing opinions on what makes for good Feng Shui. As an example I have hears all kinds of advice on placement of a bed in a bedroom, all different and all claiming to be good Feng Shui. Some practioners use the compass, others say that is wrong. Some use black hat feng shui and the bagua. There just seems to be a lot of confusion here as it is so new.
<b>3.</b>	errr, sorry. but I'm from Indonesia. But if you still want to know the development of feng shui in Indonesia, it's growing vastly. I'm a Chinese Indonesian, and i favor feng shui in my life, but even now, there are so many non Chinese Indonesian that believes in feng shui.
<b>4.</b>	People in America like to be informed about things they can do to improve their lives. Information that gives people instruction would probably do better in America than just academic information. Feng Shui is used to a very small extent in America, and most of what is called Feng Shui is not authentic or the type of Feng Shui that is used in China. I was not sure about questions #2 and #3,
<b>5.</b>	I think it is a growing interest.
<b>6.</b>	I enjoy Feng Shui and try to practice it on a regular basis. Once I have determined that I must change something in my life, I do look on my plan as to what place I need to improve. Sometimes it means changing the color or rearranging the furniture so that it can increase the energy in that direction. What I have learned most is that keeping things for just in case is not a good thing. We buy things that are not useful and we store them in our closets just in case. I have done major clean up, given things away (which I do not miss), thrown things away that are broken. I have reduced my furniture to a minimum and feel free of clutter.
<b>7.</b>	I don't think Feng Shui in America is taken as seriously as it is in China. There are people who don't even know what Feng Shui is and what it could do for their lives.
<b>8.</b>	it is around in various of the larger cities there is a organization FSRC
<b>9.</b>	Feng Shui doesn't personally affect my life, but I know that some westerners are interested in it.
<b>10.</b>	I'm in Canada, and a small city where people still don't know what it is?
<b>11.</b>	Feng Shui is currently considered a trend; however, interest in "Traditional" (Chinese) Feng Shui seems to be growing. Interest in "Western" Feng Shui seems to be decreasing. This type of Feng Shui was introduced to America in the early 1980s, and divides a home into eight "life stations," using such cures as flutes, ribbons and mirrors to activate the life stations.
<b>12.</b>	I am a Filipino who was raised in America. I am 30 years old. I live in Southern California (West Covina) with two parents and a simple two story home. I have always been interested in spirituality and study Taoist meditation on my own. Feng shui was something I was interested in since I was 15 years old. Feng shui is more popular in America for many years.
<b>13.</b>	It is Flourishing.
<b>14.</b>	Most people know of pop feng shui... very few people know about the classical feng shui.