

## **Marcel Proust's Questionnaires**

### **At age 13:**

What do you regard as the lowest depth of misery?

Where would you like to live?

What is your idea of earthly happiness?

To what faults do you feel most indulgent?

Who are your favorite fictional heroes?

Who are your favorite characters in history?

Who are your favorite heroines in real life?

Who are your favorite fictional heroines?

Who is your favorite painter?

Who is your favorite musician?

What quality do you most admire in a man?

What quality do you most admire in a woman?

What is your favorite virtue?

What is your favorite occupation?

Who would you have liked to be?

### **At age 20:**

What is your most marked characteristic?

What quality do you most like in a man?

What quality do you most like in a woman?

What do you value most in your friends?

What is your principal defect?

What is your favorite occupation?

What is your dream of happiness?

What to your mind would be the greatest misfortune?

What would you like to be?

In what country would you like to live?

What is your favorite color?

What is your favorite flower?

What is your favorite bird?

Who are your favorite prose writers?

Who are your favorite poets?

Who are your favorite fictional heroes?

Who are your favorite fictional heroines?

Who are your favorite composers?

Who are your favorite painters?

Who are your heroes in real life?

Who are your favorite heroines of history?

What are your favorite names?

What do you most dislike?

What historical figures do you most despise?

What event in military history do you most admire?

What reform do you most admire?

What natural gift would you most like to possess?

How would you like to die?

What is your present state of mind?

To what faults do you feel most indulgent?

What is your motto?