



Latino Adult Education Services

LAES has developed a series of immigrant issue instructional modules entitled "Tierra de Oportunidad" for orientation to our complex society.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Survey "Dealing With Law Enforcement Authorities"**

**1. Please check which of the following best describes how you feel about police and law enforcement personnel:**

Positive	Suspicious	Dislike	Fear	Other (Write Below) _____
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**2. How confident are you that you know all you need to know?**

	For each line, Please check the box that applies to you			
<b>About:</b>	Not very confident	A Little confident	Very confident	Have all the information I need
a. the different kinds of police and law enforcement people in the United States				
b. how they get their jobs and are trained				
c. their territories or what geographic areas they cover and work in				

**3. If a friend asked you what to do in the following situations, how well prepared do you feel you are to offer sound advice**

	For each line, Please check the box that applies to you			
<b>About:</b>	Not Very Confident	Somewhat Confident	Quite Confident	Have all the information
a. getting help from police if you see someone being hurt in the street				
b. getting help from police if someone threatens you				
c. being stopped by the police for a traffic violation				

d. being stopped by the police while driving, after having had a beer				
e. having the sheriff come to the house to execute an eviction				
f. having the police visit the house while there is a party going on				
g. complaining about action a police officer took				

**4. How well do you feel you understand the following?**

	For each line, Please check the box that applies to you			
	Not Very well	A Little	Very well	Have all the information
a. Miranda Rights?				
b. Federal, state and local laws that affect you?				
c. Search warrants?				
d. Driving regulations and traffic laws?				
e. insurance requirements?				
f. Seat belt and car seat laws and fines?				
g. How to get information about the status of a ticket?				
h. What to do if you feel you received a ticket unjustly, or if you felt a police officer was not sufficiently respectful to you?				

**5. A friend asked you for advice about what he should do? Please read the background information below and give him advice.**

Background John was stopped by a police officer, and is very angry about it. He feels he was asked improper questions and that he was subjected to an unwarranted and illegal search.

What are four issues you could discuss with him to help him determine if the officer had the right to do what he or she did, or if the officers had exceeded their authority. And what can you tell your friend he could do about it, if the officer had exceeded their authority?

Issue 1.

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Issue 2.

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Issue 3.

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Issue 4.

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**What can he do about it?**

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**6. What do you want to know about the police, laws and law enforcement:**

I want to learn more about:

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