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A system for obtaining information from a plurality of computer users (7 to 12), comprising a processing apparatus (2) including an input means (3 and 4) via which a survey author may input data, and a survey authoring means (fig. 2) enabling construction of a survey questionnaire document including at least one question formulated from data input by the survey author; transmission means (6) for transmitting the survey questionnaire document to a plurality of respondent users (7 to 12); and a processing apparatus (2) including a collating means arranged to receive transmissions from the transmission means, to identify response documents which include responses to the at least one question from the plurality of respondent users and to load a database in accordance with the responses.

