Why Am I Going To College?

Place a 1, 2, and 3 by the three most important reasons that you have for attending college:

* I want to get a good job when I graduate.
* My parents want me to go.
* I couldn’t find a job.
* I want to get away from home.
* I want to get a better job.
* I want to gain a general education and appreciation of ideas.
* I want to improve m reading and study skills.
* I want to become a more cultured person.
* I want to make more money.
* I want to learn more about things that interest me.
* A mentor or role model encouraged me to go.
* I want to prove to others that I can succeed.

Now consider the following:

What do your answers tell you about yourself?

What reasons besides these did you think about when you were applying to college?

How do you think your reasons compare with those of other first-year students who are starting college with you?