

Instructions. Choose the best measure and explain your reasoning

1. You are comparing two risk taking scales for a study on risk taking in a low socioeconomic environment. The Risk Attitudes Scales has questions such as "Would you be willing to go down a double black diamond ski slope?," "How fast would you drive a Ferrari?," and "If you had \$10,000 how much would you be willing to gamble in Vegas?" the Perceptions of Risk scale asks, "Would you jump off of a 500 ft cliff into a lake?," "Would you eat something with a little mold on it if you didn't have to?" and "Do you consider yourself to be a risky person?" Which scale should you choose and why?

2. The Scale for Depression was correlated with the Beck Depression Inventory (r = .64, p < .05), had moderate test-retest reliability (r = .52, p < .05) and was weakly related to the Scale for Anxiety (r = .41, ns), the Patient Health – Depression scale was correlated with the Beck Depression Inventory (r = .79, p < .05), had moderate test-retest reliability (r = .49, p < .05), and was weakly related to the Scale for Anxiety (r = .49, ns). Which scale would you use to measure depression and why?

3. You want to measure quality of life in an older adult population. Should you use the Quality of Life Scale or the Geriatric Quality of Life Scale?