**Descriptions of text dilemmas**

The detailed descriptions (translated into English) of the moral dilemmas used in the text session are provided below. The original descriptions used in the experiment were in Italian.

**Burning Car - Experimental**

You are the operator of a bridge in a huge parking complex. The bridge you operate connects two different floors. You see that a car out of control is approaching the bridge and is on fire. You don't know what is going on but you still need to operate the bridge.

You see that on the top floor there are five people walking and on the bottom floor, there is one person walking. The floors they are walking on are so narrow that only one car can pass through at any given time. Right now, the bridge is in the upward position. So if you don't do anything, the car would continue its course on the top floor and kill those five people in its way. But if you move the bridge in the downward position, the car would go on the bottom floor and would kill the one person walking there.

Is it appropriate for you to move the bridge in order to avoid the death of the five people, killing one person?

**Burning Car - Control**

You are the operator of a bridge in a huge parking complex. The bridge you operate connects two different floors. You see that a car is approaching the bridge and is on fire. You don't know what is going on but you still need to operate the bridge.

You see that on the top floor there is one person walking and on the bottom floor, there are five empty boxes. The floor the person is walking on is so narrow that only one car can pass through at any given time. Right now, the bridge is in the upward position. So if you don't do anything, the car would continue its course on the top floor and kill the one person in its way. But if you move the bridge in the downward position, the car would go on the bottom floor and would crush all the boxes there.

Is it appropriate for you to move the bridge in order to avoid the death of that one person, destroying the boxes?

**Lifting Magnet - Experimental**

 You are the controller of a lifting magnet in a junkyard. Lifting magnets lift the heavy magnetic objects at some height and transport them to another place and drop them. The magnet, in automatic mode, is moving a car at some height from one place to another on the right side of the platform. Suddenly, you realize that if the magnet continues on its course, the magnet would drop the car on five people standing below. On the left, there is one person standing.

You can take control of the magnet. If you do nothing, the magnet would proceed to the right and drop the car attached to it, causing the death of the five people standing below. You can turn the magnet to left side of the platform, causing the death of the single person standing there.

Is it appropriate for you to turn the magnet in order to avoid the death of the five people, killing one person?

**Lifting Magnet - Control**

You are controller of a lifting magnet in a junkyard. Lifting magnets lift the heavy magnetic objects at some height and transport them to another place and drop them. The magnet, in automatic mode, is moving, a car at some height from one place to another on the right side of the platform. Suddenly, you realize that if the magnet continues on its course, the magnet would drop the car on one person standing below. On the left, there are five empty boxes.

You can take control of the magnet. If you do nothing the magnet would proceed to the right and drop the car attached to it, causing the death of the person standing. You can turn the magnet to left side of the platform, causing the destruction of the boxes.

Is it appropriate for you to turn the magnet in order to avoid the death of that one person destroying the boxes?

**Pier - Experimental**

You are in charge of operating an automatic coast-guard boat. From your operating station, you can see that there are five swimmers on your right who are being approached by sharks. But you also see that there is one swimmer on the left who is also being approached by sharks.

Right now, the boat you are operating is moving towards the person on the left. If you don't do anything, it can reach that one swimmer and he can be saved, but then the five swimmers on the right would get killed by sharks. You can save these five swimmers, only if you turn the boat to the right, but then the swimmer on the left would be killed.

Is it appropriate for you to turn the boat in order to avoid the death of the five swimmers letting one person die?

**Pier - Control**

You are in-charge of operating an automatic coast-guard boat. From your operating station, you can see that there is a swimmer on your right who is being approached by sharks. But you also see that there are five empty boxes floating on the left.

Right now, the boat you are operating is moving towards the boxes on the left. You can save that swimmer, only if you turn the boat to the right, but then the boxes on the left would drown.

Is it appropriate for you to turn the boat in order to avoid the death of the swimmer, letting the boxes drowning?

**Train- Experimental**

You are standing on a railway track where a single track divides into two tracks. There is a switch to control the track of the train. You see a train out of control approaching rapidly. On the track extending to the left is a group of five railway workers. On the track extending to the right is a single railway worker.

If you do nothing, the train will proceed to the left, causing the death of the five workers. The only way to avoid the death of these workers is to hit a switch on your dashboard that will cause the train to proceed to the right, causing the death of the single worker. If you don't do this, those workers will be killed but one worker on the right track would remain safe.

Is it appropriate for you to hit the switch in order to avoid the death of the five workers, killing one person?

**Train - Control**

You are standing on railway track where a single track divides into two tracks. There is a switch to control the track of the train. You see a train out of control approaching rapidly. On the track extending to the left is a collection of five empty boxes. On the track extending to the right is a single railway worker.

If you do nothing the train will proceed on the right track and would kill the worker. You can avoid this by hitting a switch and turning the train on left track. But this would destroy the boxes.

Is it appropriate for you to hit the switch in order to avoid the death of the worker, destroying the boxes?