The Ethics Position Questionnaire

Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following items. Each represents a commonly held opinion and there are no right or wrong answers. We are interested in your reaction to such matters of opinion. Rate your reaction to each statement by writing a number to the left of each statement where: 1 = Completely disagree 2 = Largely disagree 3 = Moderately disagree 4 = Slightly disagree 5 = Neither agree nor disagree 6 = Slightly agree 7 = Moderately agree 8 = Largely agree 9 = Completely agree

1. People should make certain that their actions never intentionally harm another even to a small degree.

2. Risks to another should never be tolerated, irrespective of how small the risks might be.

3. The existence of potential harm to others is always wrong, irrespective of the benefits to be gained.

4. One should never psychologically or physically harm another person.

5. One should not perform an action which might in any way threaten the dignity and welfare of another individual.

6. If an action could harm an innocent other, then it should not be done.

7. Deciding whether or not to perform an act by balancing the positive consequences of the act against the negative consequences of the act is immoral.

8. The dignity and welfare of the people should be the most important concern in any society.

9. It is never necessary to sacrifice the welfare of others.

10. Moral behaviors are actions that closely match ideals of the most “perfect” action.

11. There are no ethical principles that are so important that they should be a part of any code of ethics.

12. What is ethical varies from one situation and society to another.

13. Moral standards should be seen as being individualistic; what one person considers to be moral may be judged to be immoral by another person.

14. Different types of morality cannot be compared as to “rightness.”

15. Questions of what is ethical for everyone can never be resolved since what is moral or immoral is up to the individual.

16. Moral standards are simply personal rules that indicate how a person should behave, and are not be be applied in making judgments of others.

17. Ethical considerations in interpersonal relations are so complex that individuals should be allowed to formulate their own individual codes.

18. Rigidly codifying an ethical position that prevents certain types of actions could stand in the way of better human relations and adjustment.

19. No rule concerning lying can be formulated; whether a lie is permissible or not permissible totally depends upon the situation.

20. Whether a lie is judged to be moral or immoral depends upon the circumstances surrounding the action.

Idealism scores are calculated by summing responses from items 1 to 10. Relativism scores are calculated by summing responses from items 11 to 20. The original response scale used was a 9point scale, although people often trim it back to a true Likert 5-point scale.

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以下你将看到一些概括性陈述句，每一句陈述代表一种普遍存在的观点，答案没有对错之分。你可能同意其中一部分，而不同意其他部分。我们关注的是你对这些观点同意或不同意的程度。请认真阅读每句陈述，然后在句子前面用与你感受相对应的数字来表明你同意或不同意的程度：

1=完全不同意 2=很大程度上不同意 3=比较不同意

4=有点不同意 5=中立 6=有点同意

7=比较同意 8=很大程度上同意 9=完全同意

1. 一个人应该确保永远不去有意伤害他人，哪怕只是很小程度上的伤害。

2. 无论风险有多小，都不应做出威胁到他人的行为。

3. 无论最终是否有益，对他人造成潜在危害总是错误的。

4. 一个人绝对不能对他人造成心理上或身体上的伤害。

5. 一个人不应该以任何方式威胁他人尊严和福祉。

6. 如果一项行动可能会伤及无辜，就不应去做。

7. 通过权衡一个行为结果的利与弊来决定是否去做这件事是不道德的。

8. 人们的尊严和福利是一个社会最应当重视的。

9. 永远不应该牺牲别人的福利。

10. 道德行为是指那些与最“完美”的典范相类似的行为。

11. 没有什么道德上的信条重要到它们应当成为任何日常道德条规的一部分。

12. 道德的定义在不同的情境和社会环境下而变化。

13．道德标准应当是个人化的：一个人认为是道德的事，可能会被另一个人视为不道德。

14. 不同类型的道德不能就其“正确性”来进行比较。

15. “什么是道德”这个问题没有正确答案，因为道德或不道德取决于不同的人。

16. 道德标准仅仅是个人的法则，指明了个人应如何做，而不是用来评判他人。

17. 人际关系中的道德考量十分复杂，应该允许个人形成他们自己的准则。

18．为了防止某类行为的发生而刻板地设定某种道德立场，可能会阻碍人际关系的形成及调适。

19. 无法设定说谎的规则，是否允许说谎完全取决于情境。

20. 谎言是否道德取决于行为发生时的情境。

绝对主义得分是通过对项目1到10的回答求和来计算的。相对主义得分是通过对项目11到20的回答求和来计算的。原始量表是9分制，但人们经常将其改编为李克特5分量表。



 