

Interview script

Consent form

The subject has entered the room.

- 1- Welcome subject
- 2- Present yourself
- 3- Present the “consent form”
- 4- Wait for the subject to read the “consent form”
- 5- Before the subject signs, assess comprehension of the study information by asking the following question:
“What questions can I answer for you?”

If the subject signs the consent form, pursue with the interview.

Background question:

“I will start by asking you some background questions“

Give background questionnaire.

When the subject is done, check that the subject answered “Yes” at Q1 and has actually lived in an OSU residence hall (Q4) – Otherwise,

Case studies questions:

“ For this interview, I will be reading from this script in order to be consistent between every interview. As you saw in the background questionnaire, in this survey, we define “Fire Safety” as all the behavior you should have when trying to evacuate a building on fire.

Now, in the rest of this interview, I am going to describe a situation related to Fire Safety. For each step of the scenario, I will ask you to describe what you would do. The goal of this survey is to assess people’s knowledge in terms of Fire Safety, so there is no right or wrong answer. Try to imagine what you would really do in those situations as much as possible. “

“Let’s start.”

- Q1. Imagine this room is your dorm room. It is late at night and you are lying on your bed. Suddenly, you hear the fire alarm. What would you do?
- Q2. Your roommate is sleeping in the bunk bed above you, and is saying “Come one, it is the 10th times this month! Go back to bed!” Would you have done the same thing?
- Q3. Can you describe to me how you would exit your room?
- Q4. Did you take anything with you when exiting the room
- Q5. Now, you made it out of your room, and you are standing in the hallway, and the hallway is full of smoke from ceiling to floor. What would you do?
- Q6. You came back into your room and sealed the door. What would you do now?
- Q7. At this moment you just described, your phone rings. What would you do?
- Q8. You are in the hallway, and you can see under the smoke. What would you do?
- Q9. You are in the hallway, you can see the fire at the end of it and you are next to a fire extinguisher. What would you do?



- Q10. Let's get away from the fire now. Do you actually know your primary and secondary exit route?
- Q11. Let's follow your primary exit route. You are crawling in the hallway and pass next to your friend's room. The door is shut. What would you do?
- Q12. What you would do if you knew that your friend was absent and your friend's valuables are in that room and could be destroyed by the fire?
- Q13. We are still in the hallway half filled with smoke; you are crawling with your roommate. Your roommate spots the elevator and reaches to press the call bottom. What do you do?
- Q14. You decided to take the stairways instead, and you finally make it outside. What would you do now?
- Q15. What else would you be careful about?
- Q16. How far from the building would you go (in feet)?
- Q17. Do you know where your assembly point is?
- Q18. Do you have any other comments about Fire Safety or this interview?

“We arrived at this end of this interview. Thank you very much for your participation.”