

Consent

Please consider this information carefully before deciding whether to participate in this research.

The purpose of this research is to examine which factors influence social judgment and decision-making. You will be asked to make judgements about individuals and actions in social scenarios. We are simply interested in your judgement. The study will take less than 1 hour to complete, and you will receive less than \$20 on Prolific. Your compensation and time commitment are specified in the study description. There are no anticipated risks associated with participating in this study. The effects of participating should be comparable to those you would ordinarily experience from viewing a computer monitor and using a mouse or keyboard for a similar amount of time. At the end of the study, we will provide an explanation of the questions that motivate this line of research and will describe the potential implications.

Your participation in this study is completely voluntary and you may refuse to participate or you may choose to withdraw at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to you which are otherwise entitled. Your participation in this study will remain confidential. No personally identifiable information will be associated with your data. Also, all analyses of the data will be averaged across all the participants, so your individual responses will never be specifically analyzed.

If you have questions or concerns about your participation or payment, or want to request a summary of research findings, please contact Dr. Jonathan Phillips at Jonathan.S.Phillips@dartmouth.edu.

Please save a copy of this form for your records.

Agreement:

The nature and purpose of this research have been sufficiently explained and I agree to participate in this study. I understand that I am free to withdraw at any time without incurring any penalty. Please consent by clicking the button below to continue. Otherwise, please exit the study at any time.

Instructions

In this study, you'll read 8 short stories and then will be asked a simple question about each story.

Please read carefully.

S1Josh_knowledge

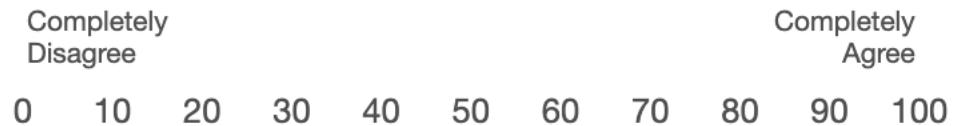
Please read the following scenario:

Josh is on the way to the airport to catch a flight to a hunting safari in Africa. He knows that he has left with plenty of time to make it there, but his car breaks down on the highway. Now Josh is sitting in his car near a busy intersection, and knows he needs to get to the airport soon if he is going to catch his flight.

Josh decides to \${e://Field/S1A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Josh had to \${e://Field/S1A}."



Consider again what Josh did: \${e://Field/S1A}.



How probable was it
that Josh would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Josh to do this?

How normal was it
for Josh to do this?

S1Josh_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Josh is on the way to the airport to catch a flight to a hunting safari in Africa. He incorrectly believes that he has left without any wiggle room to make it there; unbeknownst to him, the plane actually will not board for four more hours, so he has plenty of time. Then, his car breaks down on the highway. Now Josh is sitting in his car near a busy intersection, and knows he needs to get to the airport soon if he is going to catch his flight.

Josh decides to \${e://Field/S1A}.

How much you agree with the following statement:

"Josh had to \${e://Field/S1A}."



Consider again what Josh did: \${e://Field/S1A}.



How probable was it
that Josh would do
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How morally
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How normal was it
for Josh to do this?

S2Liz_knowledge

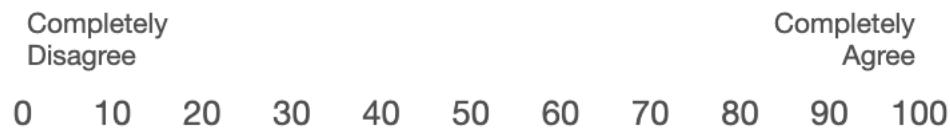
Please read the following scenario:

Liz decides to go to the gym on her lunch break to play a game of racquetball with a friend. When she pulls into the parking lot that her friend sent her to, she knows that she is parked behind the gym. She then realizes that her membership has expired since she last went, and she needs to let her friend know. While her ID and her wallet are at her desk in the office, she knows that her phone is in her gym bag that she packed for today.

Liz decides to \${e://Field/S2A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Liz had to \${e://Field/S2A}."



Consider again what Liz did: \${e://Field/S2A}.



How probable was it
that Liz would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Liz to do this?

How normal was it
for Liz to do this?

S2Liz_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Liz decides to go to the gym on her lunch break to play a game of racquetball with a friend. When she pulls into the parking lot that her friend sent her to, she does not realize that she is parked behind the gym. She then realizes that her membership has expired since she

last went, and she needs to let her friend know. While her ID and her wallet are at her desk in the office, she knows that her phone is in her gym bag that she packed for today.

Liz decides to \${e://Field/S2A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Liz had to \${e://Field/S2A}."



Consider again what Liz did: \${e://Field/S2A}.



How probable was it
that Liz would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Liz to do this?

How normal was it
for Liz to do this?

S3Darya_knowledge

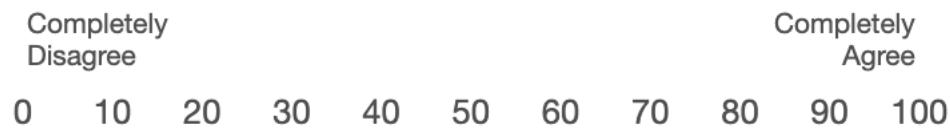
Please read the following scenario:

Darya is on her way to a concert with her friends. As they approach the entrance, they correctly realize that they can get into the concert even though the entrance doors have been closed. Her friend Ted then realizes he forgot his ticket at his house. The concert is about to start and Ted would likely miss most of the concert if he returned to his house for his ticket.

Darya decides to \${e://Field/S3A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Darya had to \${e://Field/S3A}."



Consider again what Darya did: \${e://Field/S3A}.



How probable was it
that Darya would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Darya to do this?

How normal was it
for Darya to do this?

S3Darya_ignorance

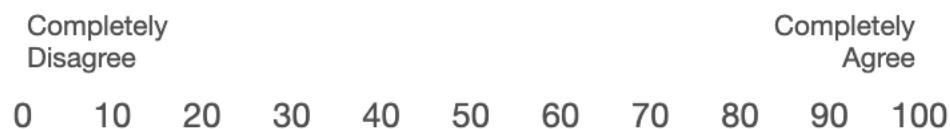
Please read the following scenario:

Darya is on her way to a concert with her friends. As they approach the entrance, they incorrectly believe that they are too late to get into the concert because the entrance doors have been closed; unbeknownst to them, they can get into the concert anyway. Her friend Ted then realizes he forgot his ticket at his house. The concert is about to start and Ted would likely miss most of the concert if he returned to his house for his ticket.

Darya decides to \${e://Field/S3A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Darya had to \${e://Field/S3A}."



Consider again what Darya did: \${e://Field/S3A}.



How probable was it
that Darya would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Darya to do this?

How normal was it
for Darya to do this?

S4Ahmed_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Ahmed is the captain of a 50-passenger cruise ship. Four days into their trip they get caught in a storm and the engine breaks under the pressure. Their food supplies are quickly dwindling and Ahmed isn't sure what to instruct the passengers and crew. He knows that a rescue boat is on its way and will arrive in two days.

Ahmed decides to \${e://Field/S4A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Ahmed had to \${e://Field/S4A}."



Consider again what Ahmed did: \${e://Field/S4A}.



How probable was it
that Ahmed would
do this?

How morally acceptable was it for Ahmed to do this?

How normal was it for Ahmed to do this?

S4Ahmed_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Ahmed is the captain of a 50-passenger cruise ship. Four days into their trip they get caught in a storm and the engine breaks under the pressure. Their food supplies are quickly dwindling and Ahmed isn't sure what to instruct the passengers and crew. He does not know that a rescue boat is on the way and will arrive in two days.

Ahmed decides to \${e://Field/S4A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Ahmed had to \${e://Field/S4A}."



Consider again what Ahmed did: \${e://Field/S4A}.



How probable was it
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do this?

How morally
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How normal was it
for Ahmed to do
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S5Brad_knowledge

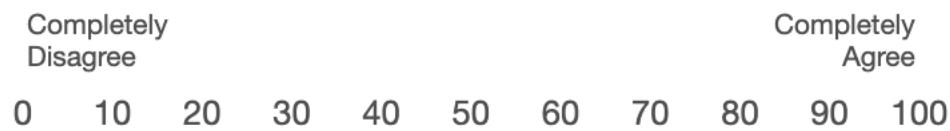
Please read the following scenario:

Brad and some friends are hiking through the mountains in the Canadian wilderness. A couple of days into their hike, Brad realizes that they are lost. He knows that a rescue crew could arrive before long, but it is extremely cold and they don't have much food or water left. He also knows that they are 5 miles from an inhabited town.

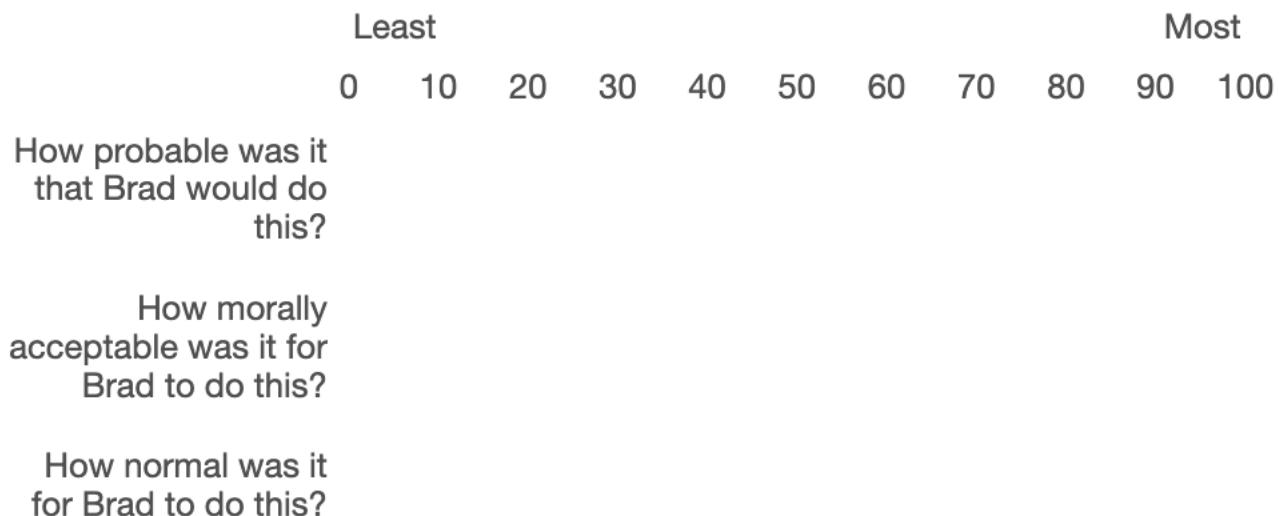
Brad decides to \${e://Field/S5A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Brad had to \${e://Field/S5A}."



Consider again what Brad did: \${e://Field/S5A}.



S5Brad_ignorance

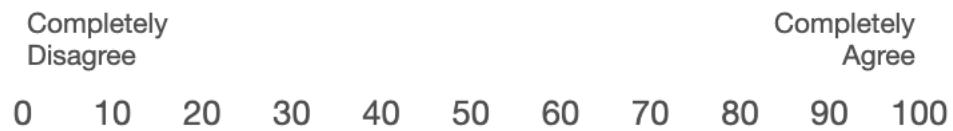
Please read the following scenario:

Brad and some friends are hiking through the mountains in the Canadian wilderness. A couple of days into their hike, Brad realizes that they are lost. He knows that a rescue crew could arrive before long, but it is extremely cold and they don't have much food or water left. He also incorrectly believes that they are nowhere near civilization; unbeknownst to Brad, they are 5 miles from an inhabited town.

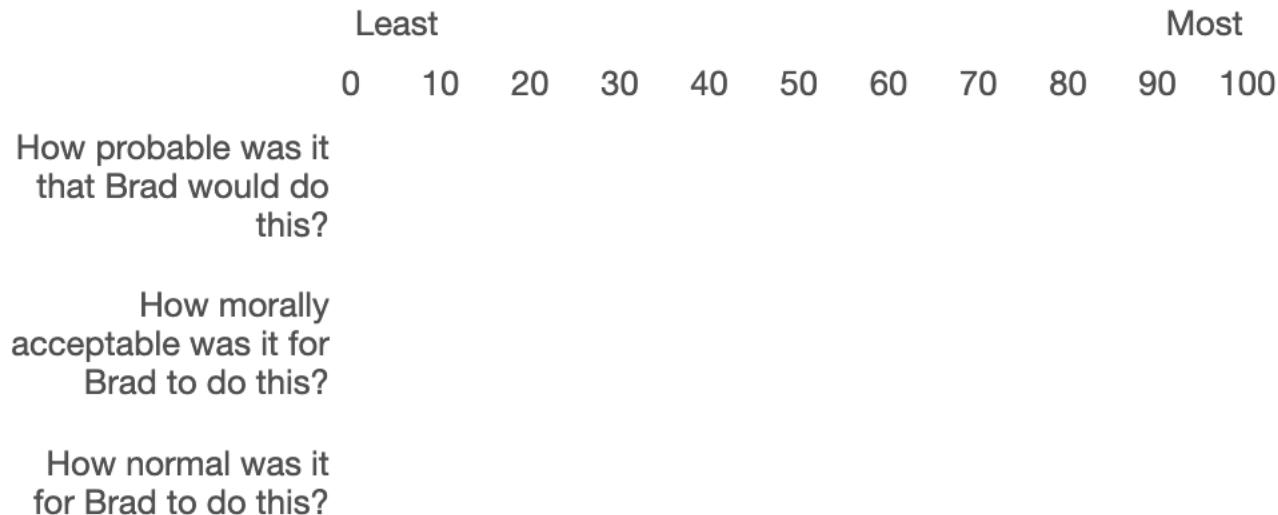
Brad decides to \${e://Field/S5A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Brad had to \${e://Field/S5A}."



Consider again what Brad did: \${e://Field/S5A}.



S6Eunice_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Eunice is sunbathing at the beach next to a family with young children. When the family is playing in the water, she sees a teenager begin to go through their belongings. Eunice saw the family arrive, and knows that this teenager is not part of the family.

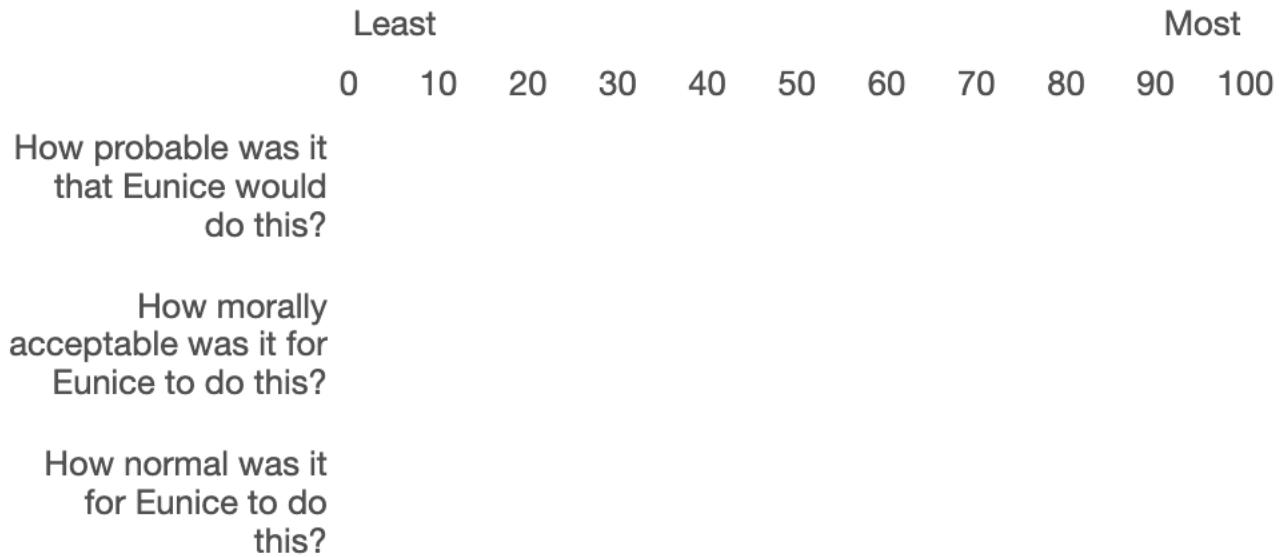
Eunice decides to \${e://Field/S6A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Eunice had to \${e://Field/S6A}."



Consider again what Eunice did: \${e://Field/S6A}.



S6Eunice_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Eunice is sunbathing at the beach next to a family with young children. When the family is playing in the water, she sees a teenager begin to go through their belongings. Eunice does not know whether or not he is part of the family.

Eunice decides to \${e://Field/S6A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Eunice had to \${e://Field/S6A}."



Consider again what Eunice did: \${e://Field/S6A}.



How probable was it
that Eunice would
do this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Eunice to do this?

How normal was it
for Eunice to do
this?

S7Cameron_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Cameron is filling up his car at a gas station on his way home from work when a woman approaches him to ask for a ride to a nearby city. The city is in the same direction as his house but it's 10 miles further than he planned to go. He knows that the woman is the US senator for his state.

Cameron decides to \${e://Field/S7A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Cameron had to \${e://Field/S7A}."



Consider again what Cameron did: \${e://Field/S7A}.



How probable was it
that Cameron would
do this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Cameron to do this?

How normal was it
for Cameron to do
this?

S7Cameron_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Cameron is filling up his car at a gas station on his way home from work when a woman approaches him to ask for a ride to a nearby city. The city is in the same direction as his house but it's 10 miles further than he planned to go. Unbeknownst to him, the woman is the US senator for his state.

Cameron decides to \${e://Field/S7A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Cameron had to \${e://Field/S7A}."



Consider again what Cameron did: \${e://Field/S7A}.



S8Erica_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Erica is leaving the mall on a hot summer day. In the parking lot, she notices a dog in the

back of a car without any of its windows open. The dog is panting heavily and looks tired. There is another woman in the parking lot that Erica knows to be the owner of the dog.

Erica decides to \${e://Field/S8A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Erica had to \${e://Field/S8A}."



Consider again what Erica did: \${e://Field/S8A}.



How probable was it
that Erica would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Erica to do this?

How normal was it
for Erica to do this?

S8Erica_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Erica is leaving the mall on a hot summer day. In the parking lot, she notices a dog in the back of a car without any of its windows open. The dog is panting heavily and looks tired. There is another woman in the parking lot that Erica believes is not the owner of the dog; unbeknownst to Erica, that woman is the dog's owner.

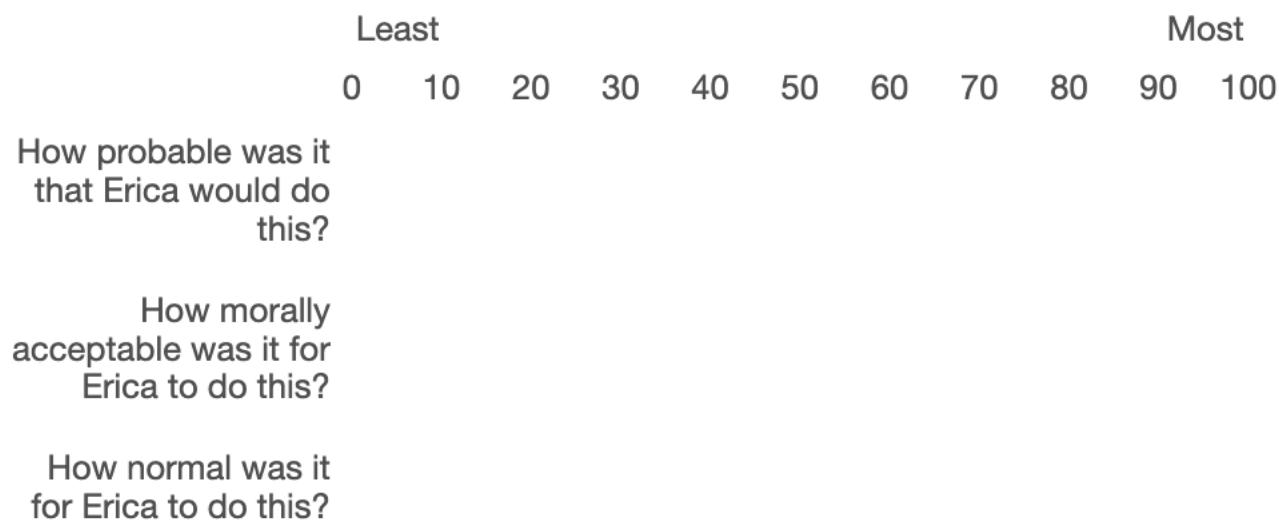
Erica decides to \${e://Field/S8A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Erica had to \${e://Field/S8A}."



Consider again what Erica did: \${e://Field/S8A}.



S9Carl_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Carl is hiking with his 12 year old son, Sam, in Glacier national park. They are three miles into their hike when they see a black bear about 20 feet away from them. The bear does not yet see Carl and Sam. Carl knows that his wife has packed bear spray in his hiking backpack which is currently on Sam's back.

Carl decides to \${e://Field/S9A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Carl had to \${e://Field/S9A}."



Consider again what Carl did: \${e://Field/S9A}.



How probable was it
that Carl would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Carl to do this?

How normal was it
for Carl to do this?

S9Carl_ignorance

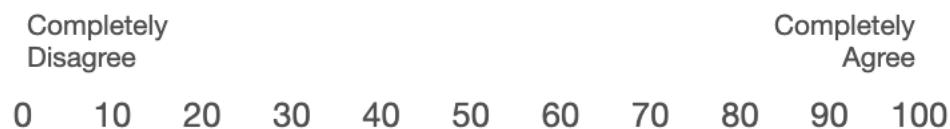
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Carl is hiking with his 12 year old son, Sam, in Glacier national park. They are three miles into their hike when they see a black bear about 20 feet away from them. The bear does not yet see Carl and Sam. Carl does not know that his wife has packed bear spray in his hiking backpack which is currently on Sam's back.

Carl decides to \${e://Field/S9A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Carl had to \${e://Field/S9A}."



Consider again what Carl did: \${e://Field/S9A}.



How probable was it
that Carl would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Carl to do this?

How normal was it
for Carl to do this?

S10Eva_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Eva and Todd are on a mountain climbing trip in Arizona. In the middle of their longest day Todd slips and gets his arm trapped in a crevice. Eva tries calling 911 but she has no service. The sun is beating down on them and Eva is worried that she might be getting dehydrated as she unsuccessfully tries to get his arm out of the rock. Eva remembers that there is a park ranger stationed 5 miles away.

Eva decides to \${e://Field/S10A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Eva had to \${e://Field/S10A}."



Consider again what Eva did: \${e://Field/S10A}.



How probable was it
that Eva would do
this?

How morally acceptable was it for Eva to do this?

How normal was it for Eva to do this?

S10Eva_ignorance

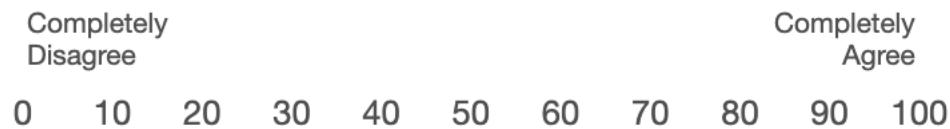
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Eva and Todd are on a mountain climbing trip in Arizona. In the middle of their longest day Todd slips and gets his arm trapped in a crevice. Eva tries calling 911 but she has no service. The sun is beating down on them and Eva is worried that she might be getting dehydrated as she unsuccessfully tries to get his arm out of the rock. Eva does not realize that there is a park ranger stationed 5 miles away.

Eva decides to \${e://Field/S10A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Eva had to \${e://Field/S10A}."



Consider again what Eva did: \${e://Field/S10A}.

Least

Most



0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

How probable was it
that Eva would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Eva to do this?

How normal was it
for Eva to do this?

S11Annie_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Annie is sitting on a bench at a park when a man asks her to watch his 7 year old daughter, Maria, while he uses the restroom. Annie agrees and Maria sits next to her on the bench. While the father is gone, a different man comes up and starts talking to Maria, telling her that he has candy in his car, and Maria says she wants to try some. Annie doesn't want to let Maria follow the man, and remembers seeing a police officer walking on the other side of the park ten minutes earlier.

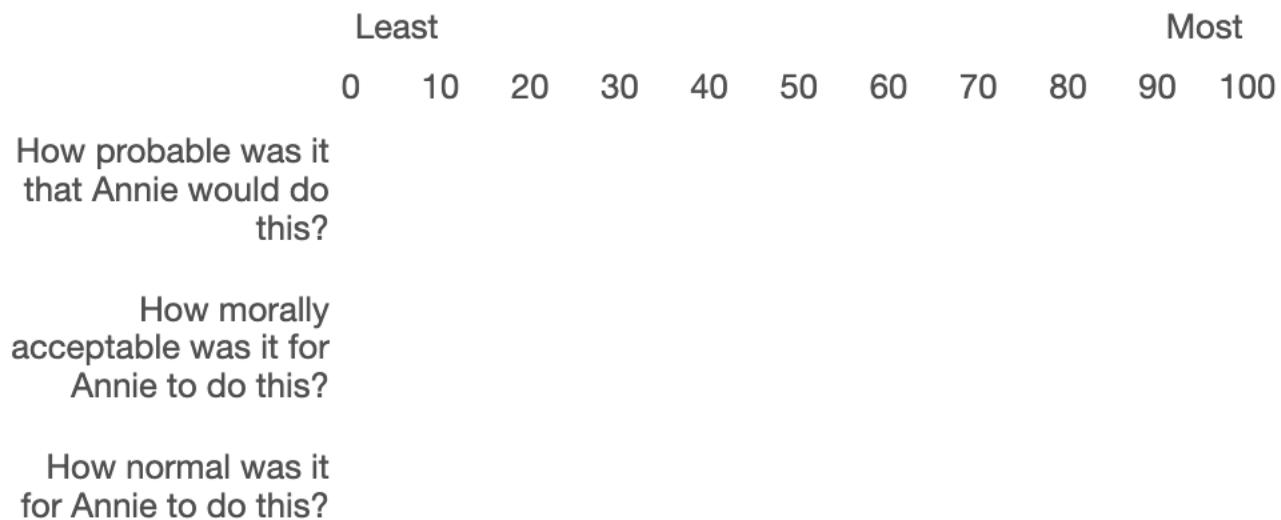
Annie decides to \${e://Field/S11A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Annie had to \${e://Field/S11A}."

Completely Disagree											Completely Agree
0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	

Consider again what Annie did: \${e://Field/S11A}.



S11Annie_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Annie is sitting on a bench at a park when a man asks her to watch his 7 year old daughter, Maria, while he uses the restroom. Annie agrees and Maria sits next to her on the bench. While the father is gone, a different man comes up and starts talking to Maria, telling her that he has candy in his car, and Maria says she wants to try some. Annie doesn't want to let Maria follow the man, and she does not remember seeing a police officer walking on the other side of the park ten minutes ago.

Annie decides to \${e://Field/S11A}.

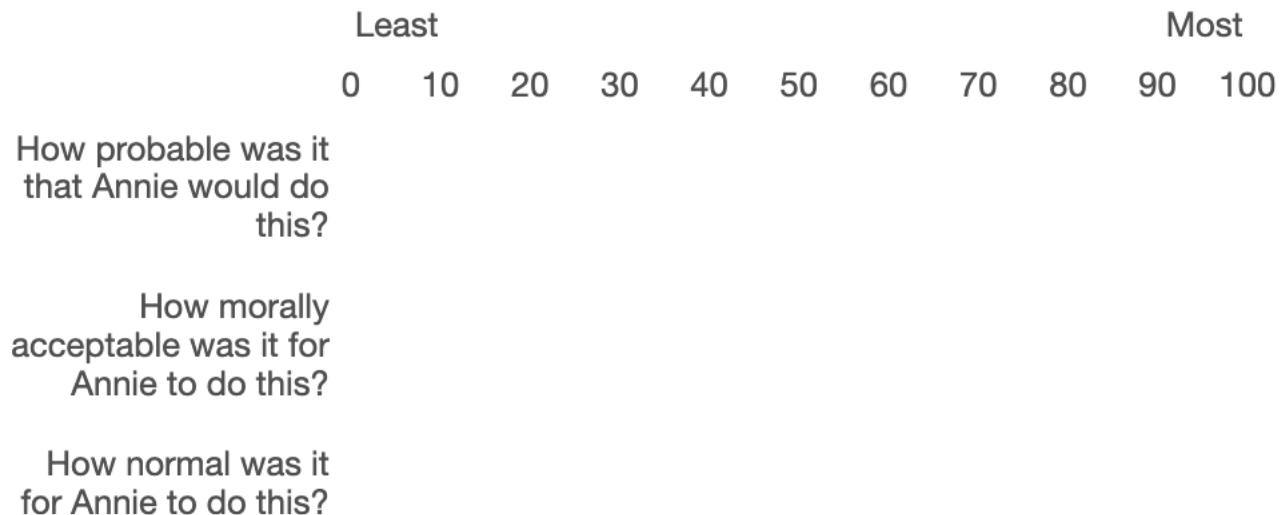
How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Annie had to \${e://Field/S11A}."

Completely Disagree	Completely Agree
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Consider again what Annie did: \${e://Field/S11A}.



S12Tony_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Tony is dogsitting for his neighbors, who are away on vacation for a week. Before they left, they gave Tony a key to their house, which he believes he has in his pocket. When he arrives at their door to walk the dog, he realizes that he does not have the key. Tony knows that the family left a spare key, but doesn't know where it is. The dog is barking and scratching the door, clearly needing to use the bathroom immediately.

Tony decides to \${e://Field/S12A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Tony had to \${e://Field/S12A}."



Consider again what Tony did: \${e://Field/S12A}.



How probable was it
that Tony would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Tony to do this?

How normal was it
for Tony to do this?

S12Tony_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Tony is dogsitting for his neighbors, who are away on vacation for a week. Before they left, they gave Tony a key to their house, which he believes he has in his pocket. When he arrives at their door to walk the dog, he realizes that he does not have the key. Tony believes that the family did not leave a spare key; unbeknownst to him, they did leave a spare key. The dog is barking and scratching the door, clearly needing to use the bathroom immediately.

Tony decides to \${e://Field/S12A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Tony had to \${e://Field/S12A}."



Consider again what Tony did: \${e://Field/S12A}.



How probable was it
that Tony would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Tony to do this?

How normal was it
for Tony to do this?

S13Jamie_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Jamie, a parent, volunteers to sell tickets for the school's winter concert. He needs to figure out a way to sell 50 more tickets before the concert in order to reach the school's fundraising goal. Jamie knows that the concert is in two weeks.

Jamie decides to \${e://Field/S13A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Jamie had to \${e://Field/S13A}."



Consider again what Jamie did: \${e://Field/S13A}.



How probable was it
that Jamie would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Jamie to do this?

How normal was it
for Jamie to do this?

S13Jamie_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

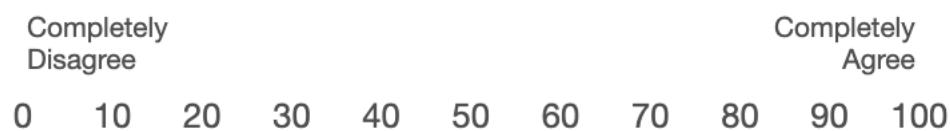
Jamie, a parent, volunteers to sell tickets for the school's winter concert. He needs to figure out a way to sell 50 more tickets before the concert in order to reach the school's fundraising goal. Although the concert is not for two weeks, Jamie incorrectly believes that

the concert is tonight.

Jamie decides to \${e://Field/S13A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Jamie had to \${e://Field/S13A}."



Consider again what Jamie did: \${e://Field/S13A}.



How probable was it
that Jamie would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Jamie to do this?

How normal was it
for Jamie to do this?

S14Maddox_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Maddox, a pilot, is flying his plane in moderate conditions when the weather changes

dramatically. As the weather gets worse, it is clear that it is unsafe for Maddox to continue flying. Maddox is still 100 miles from where he is supposed to land, but he knows that there is a separate emergency landing spot 20 miles away.

Maddox decides to \${e://Field/S14A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Maddox had to \${e://Field/S14A}."



Consider again what Maddox did: \${e://Field/S14A}.



How probable was it
that Maddox would
do this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Maddox to do this?

How normal was it
for Maddox to do
this?

S14Maddox_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

A pilot, Maddox, is flying his plane in moderate conditions when the weather changes dramatically. As the weather gets worse, it is clear that it is unsafe for Maddox to continue flying. Maddox is still 100 miles from where he is supposed to land, but unbeknownst to him, there is a separate emergency landing spot 20 miles away.

Maddox decides to \${e://Field/S14A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Maddox had to \${e://Field/S14A}."



Consider again what Maddox did: \${e://Field/S14A}.



How probable was it
that Maddox would
do this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Maddox to do this?

How normal was it
for Maddox to do
this?

S15Alex_knowledge

Please read the following scenario:

Alex is a detective and is tasked with determining how a restaurant was set on fire. He needs to determine the fire's origin point and how it spread. Alex knows that the arson investigator previously determined that the fire was set deliberately.

Alex decides to \${e://Field/S15A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Alex had to \${e://Field/S15A}."



Consider again what Alex did: \${e://Field/S15A}.



How probable was it
that Alex would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Alex to do this?

How normal was it
for Alex to do this?

S15Alex_ignorance

Please read the following scenario:

Alex is a detective and is tasked with determining how a restaurant was set on fire. He needs to determine the fire's origin point and how it spread. Unbeknownst to Alex, an arson investigator previously determined that the fire was set deliberately.

Alex decides to \${e://Field/S15A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Alex had to \${e://Field/S15A}."



Consider again what Alex did: \${e://Field/S15A}.



How probable was it
that Alex would do
this?

How morally acceptable was it for Alex to do this?

How normal was it for Alex to do this?

S16Elaina_knowledge

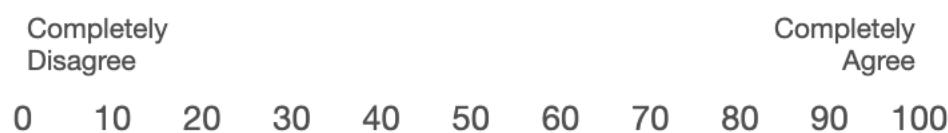
Please read the following scenario:

Elaina has a date planned with her boyfriend of two years tonight to go out to their favorite restaurant. Their reservation is for 8:00pm. At 7:30pm that night, one of Elaina's work friends, Ben, asks Elaina to babysit for his kids from 8:00 pm -10:00 pm, and says that he is so desperate for a babysitter, he will pay Elaina \$200 to watch his baby for two hours. Elaina also knows that her boyfriend is planning to propose at dinner that night.

Elaina decides to \${e://Field/S16A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Elaina had to \${e://Field/S16A}."



Consider again what Elaina did: \${e://Field/S16A}.



How probable was it
that Elaina would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Elaina to do this?

How normal was it
for Elaina to do this?

S16Elaina_ignorance

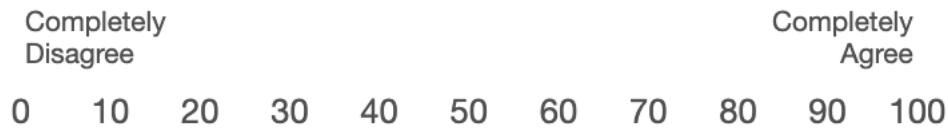
Please read the following scenario:

Elaina has a date planned with her boyfriend of two years tonight to go out to their favorite restaurant. Their reservation is for 8:00pm. At 7:30pm that night, one of Elaina's work friends, Ben, asks Elaina to babysit for his kids from 8:00 pm -10:00 pm, and says that he is so desperate for a babysitter, he will pay Elaina \$200 to watch his baby for two hours. Unbeknownst to Elaina, her boyfriend is planning to propose to her at dinner that night.

Elaina decides to \${e://Field/S16A}.

How much do you agree with the following statement:

"Elaina had to \${e://Field/S16A}."



Consider again what Elaina did: \${e://Field/S16A}.



How probable was it
that Elaina would do
this?

How morally
acceptable was it for
Elaina to do this?

How normal was it
for Elaina to do this?

Feedback and Demographics

In this part of the experiment, we'd like you to answer a series of background questions.

Your answers to these questions are very helpful, and are for research purposes only. Remember that your responses are entirely anonymous. If you feel uncomfortable with a question in this section, you can leave the question blank.

What is your age?

- My age in years is
- Prefer not to say

What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary

- Other
- Prefer not to say

What is your ethnicity?

- Asian
- Black/African
- Caucasian/White
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Middle Eastern or Northern African
- Alaskan or American Indian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Multiethnic
- Prefer not to disclose
- Other

If you experienced any issues with the survey or if you have any suggestions for improvements or thoughts you would like to share, please comment below.

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