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Q91

Please write your unique Prolific ID for us to be able to pay you once you submit the completion code:

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▼   Instructions

Q29

In this survey, we will ask you to rate several extremely short headlines.

Please refer back to the headline as often as you need to respond to the items.

First, you will see a headline in bold, for example:

Experts ask about inflation - Will It Or Won't It Get Worse?

This sentence is a headline.

Next, we would like you to rate the headline along several dimensions.

Q895

First, we will ask:

Which picture below best describes your feelings about how **boring** or **exciting** the headline was?

Please note the sleepy figure on the left indicates **very boring**, while the exploding figure on the right indicates **very exciting**.

Please select the figure indicating the headline was **very exciting** from the options below.
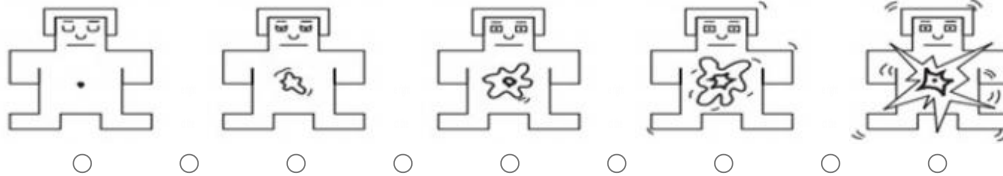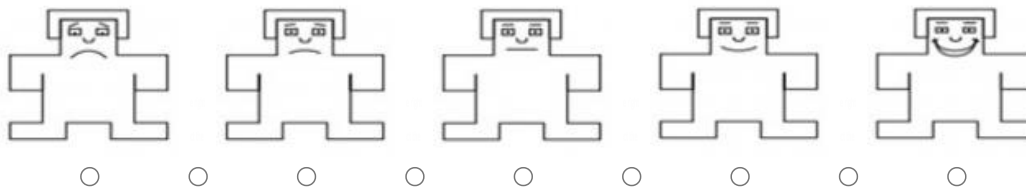

Q896

Next, we will ask:

Which picture below best describes your feelings about how **sad** or **happy** the headline was?

Please note the frowning figure on the left indicates **very sad**, while the smiling figure on the right indicates **very happy**.

Please select the figure indicating the headline was **very sad** from the options below.
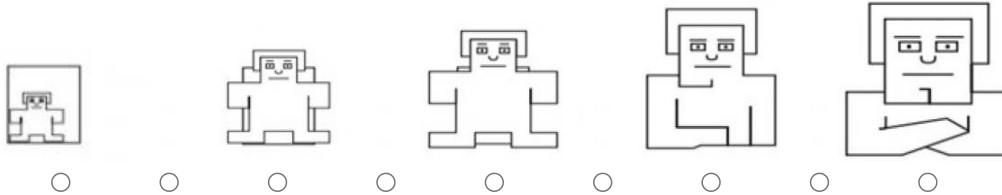
Q897

Then we will ask:

Which picture below best describes your feelings about how **weak** or **strong** the headline was?

Please note the tiny figure on the left indicates **very weak**, while the large figure on the right indicates **very strong**.

Please select the figure indicating the headline was **neutral - neither strong nor weak -** from the options below.

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Q898

Finally, we will ask you to decide how easy it is to **understand** the headline, how much you **liked** the headline, and **if you think you have seen the headline** before. We will ask these questions with text prompts, rather than images.

If you feel you have clearly understood these instructions, please press "-->" below.

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Q89

On the next page you will begin judging headlines. You will judge 20 headlines in a row. After that you will be asked several questions about current issues, and then a few questions about yourself. When you are ready to begin, press the " -->" below.

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Headlines

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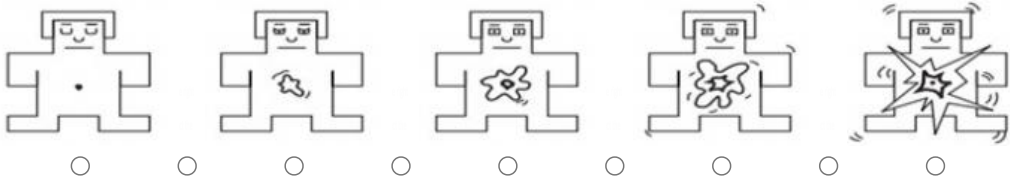
V

Which picture below best describes your feelings about how **sad** or **happy** the headline was?

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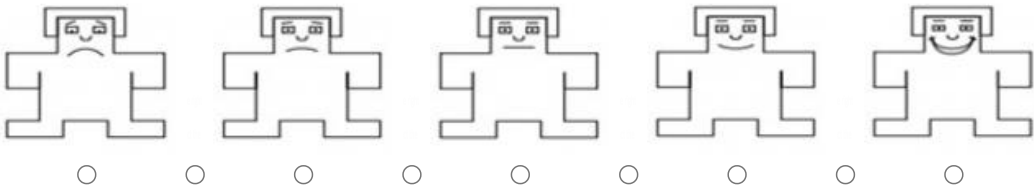
D

Which picture below best describes your feelings about how **weak** or **strong** the headline was?

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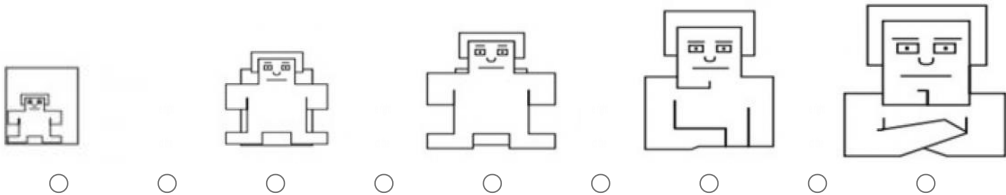
C

How easy was it to **understand** the headline?

Extremely difficult	Somewhat difficult	Neither easy nor difficult	Somewhat easy	Extremely easy
○	○	○	○	○

L

How much did you **like** the headline?

Dislike a great deal	Dislike somewhat	Neither like nor dislike	Like somewhat	Like a great deal
○	○	○	○	○

S

How likely is it that you have **seen the headline**?

Extremely unlikely	Somewhat unlikely	Neither likely nor unlikely	Somewhat likely	Extremely likely
○	○	○	○	○

F

How **familiar** are you with this issue?

Extremely unfamiliar	Somewhat unfamiliar	Neither familiar nor unfamiliar	Somewhat familiar	Extremely familiar
○	○	○	○	○

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Transmission

Q88

Thank you for your answers. You are almost done. Now, we will ask you some questions about politics and your news consumption habits. Please do not google the answers. Just respond to the best of your ability.

Please press the "-->" arrow below to continue.

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Pol Knowledge

pk01

Who has the final responsibility to decide if a law is constitutional or not?

- ○ President
- ○ Congress
- ○ Supreme Court

c1

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk02

Whose responsibility is it to nominate judges to the Federal Courts?

- ○ President
- ○ Congress
- ○ Supreme Court

c2

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk3

How much of a majority is required for the U.S. Senate and House to override a presidential veto?

- ○ 3/4 in the House and 2/3 in the Senate
- ○ 2/3 in the House and 3/4 in the Senate
- ○ 3/4 in the House and 3/4 in the Senate
- ○ 2/3 in the House and 2/3 in the Senate

c3

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk4

Which party currently has the most members in the House of Representatives in Washington?

○ Democrats

○ Republicans

c4

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk5

Which branch of the government has the official power to declare war?

○ President

○ Congress

○ Supreme Court

c5

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk6

What is the length of a US senator's term?

○ 2 years

○ 4 years

○ 6 years

○ 8 years

c6

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk7

What is the length of a US representative's term?

○ 2 years

○ 4 years

○ 6 years

○ 8 years

c7

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk8

Whose responsibility is it to nominate members to the Federal Reserve Board?

○ President

○ Congress

○ Supreme Court

c8

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk9

Are most murders prosecuted as federal or state crimes?

○ Federal

○ State

c9

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk10

From 1945 to 2000, which political party usually controlled the House of Representatives?

○ Democrats

○ Republicans

c10

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk11

What job or political office does Kamala Harris now hold?

○ Secretary of State

○ Vice President

○ Speaker of the House

○ Senate Minority Whip

c11

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk12

Who is the current speaker of the House?

○ Paul Ryan

○ John Boehner

○ Nancy Pelosi

○ Kevin McCarthy

c12

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk13

Who is the current Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?

○ John Roberts

○ Clarence Thomas

○ Samuel Alito

○ Stephen Breyer

c13

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk14

Who is the current Senate Majority Leader?

○ Ted Stevens

○ Roy Blunt

○ Charles Schumer

○ Mitch McConnell

○ Harry Reid

c14

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk15

Who is the current Senate Minority Leader?

○ Harry Reid

○ Charles Schumer

○ Roy Blunt

○ Mitch McConnell

○ Ted Stevens

c15

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

Page Break

pk16

Who is the current House Majority Whip?

○ Steve Scalise

○ Roy Blunt

○ Tom Emmer

○ Jim Clyburn

○ Eric Cantor

c16

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
○	○	○	○	○	○

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pk17

Who is the current House Minority Whip?

○ Hakeem Jeffries

○ Roy Blunt

○ Jim Clyburn

○ Katherine Clark

○ Steny Hoyer

c17

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk18

Who is the current Senate Majority Whip?

○ Jon Kyl

○ Trent Lott

○ John Cornyn

○ Dick Durbin

○ Wendell Ford

c18

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk19

Who is the current President of Russia?

○ Vladimir Putin

○ Viktor Zubkov

○ Dmitry Medvedev

○ Sergei Ivanov

c19

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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pk20

Who is the current Prime Minister of Great Britain?

○ Boris Johnson

○ Gordon Brown

○ Liz Truss

○ Theresa May

○ Rishi Sunak

c20

How confident are you in your answer?

Not confident at all	Not confident	Somewhat not confident	Somewhat confident	Confident	Very Confident
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Party

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent?

○ Democrat

○ Independent

○ Republican

PartyA

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If Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent? Independent Is Selected

If you answered "Independent", please indicate which of the two parties is closest to your political views.

○ Democrat

○ Republican

PartyB

▾ 🔁 Display this question

If Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent? Democrat Is Selected

If you answered Democrat, would you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Democrat?

○ Strong Democrat

○ No so Strong Democrat

PartyC

▾ 🔁 Display this question

If Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an independent? Republican Is Selected

If you answered Republican, would you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Republican?

○ Strong Republican

○ Not so Strong Republican

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Moderate

Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be:

- ○ extremely conservative
- ○ conservative
- ○ slightly conservative
- ○ moderate: middle of the road
- ○ slightly liberal
- ○ liberal
- ○ extremely liberal

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Interest

How interested are you in what's going on in American government and politics?

- ○ Very interested
- ○ Interested
- ○ Somewhat interested
- ○ Not interested at all

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▼   News

TV

How often do you get news from television?

Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
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Radio

How often do you get news from radio?

Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
○	○	○	○

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Print Publications

How often do you get news from print publications?

Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
○	○	○	○

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How often do you get news from smartphones, computers, and/or tablets?

Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often
○	○	○	○

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Attention

tv_att

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If   How often do you get news from television?   Never   Is Not Selected

How much do you pay attention to news you watch on television?

None at all	Very Little	Some	Quite a lot	A great deal
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If   How often do you get news from radio?   Never   Is Not Selected

How much do you pay attention to news you hear on the radio?

None at all	Very Little	Some	Quite a lot	A great deal
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print_pub_att

How much do you pay attention to news you read on print publications?

None at all	Very Little	Some	Quite a lot	A great deal
○	○	○	○	○

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smartphone_comp_att

How much do you pay attention to news you read and/or watch on your smartphone, computer, or tablet?

None at all	Very Little	Some	Quite a lot	A great deal
○	○	○	○	○

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Demo

Q188

Wonderful! You are nearly finished. Now we would like to know a little bit about you!

What is your age? Please type the number of your age

Q189 ✳

What is your ethnicity or race? (choose all that apply)

- ☐ Caucasian (or White)
- ☐ African American (or Black)
- ☐ Hispanic American (or Latino)
- ☐ Asian American (or Pacific Islander)
- ☐ Native American (or American Indian)
- ☐ African
- ☐ Hispanic
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Q191 ✳

What is your gender?

- ○ Male
- ○ Female
- ○ Gender queer/Gender nonconforming
- ○ Transgender
- ○ Prefer not to say

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Compliance ...

Q193 💡 ✳

Is there anything you feel we should know about your responses to this survey that we have not asked? If so please respond below.

[   ]

Q195 💡 ✳

Is there any reason that researcher should NOT use your responses? For example, you were distracted, you didn't pay attention, etc.

[   ]

Add Block

End of Survey

We thank you for taking the time to complete this study. Your response has

been recorded.

Please enter the following code on the prolific webpage that directed you

to this survey in order to receive payment for your submission:

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Please contact researcher (<email address blinded for this PDF>) if you have

any questions about your participation in this study.

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