1=Never or very rarely true, 2=Rarely true, 3= Sometimes true, 4= Often true, 5=Very often or always true (-1=did not select an answer).

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| Q1. I usually don’t laugh or joke around much with other people.  Q2. If I am feeling depressed, I can usually cheer myself up with humor.  Q3. If someone makes a mistake, I will often tease them about it.  Q4. I let people laugh at me or make fun at my expense more than I should.  Q5. I don’t have to work very hard at making other people laugh? I seem to be a naturally humorous person.  Q6. Even when I’m by myself, I’m often amused by the absurdities of life.  Q7. People are never offended or hurt by my sense of humor.  Q8. I will often get carried away in putting myself down if it makes my family or friends laugh.  Q9. I rarely make other people laugh by telling funny stories about myself.  Q10. If I am feeling upset or unhappy I usually try to think of something funny about the situation to make myself feel better.  Q11. When telling jokes or saying funny things, I am usually not very concerned about how other people are taking it.  Q12. I often try to make people like or accept me more by saying something funny about my own weaknesses, blunders, or faults.  Q13. I laugh and joke a lot with my closest friends.  Q14. My humorous outlook on life keeps me from getting overly upset or depressed about things.  Q15. I do not like it when people use humor as a way of criticizing or putting someone down.  Q16. I don’t often say funny things to put myself down.  Q17. I usually don’t like to tell jokes or amuse people.  Q18. If I’m by myself and I’m feeling unhappy, I make an effort to think of something funny to cheer myself up.  Q19. Sometimes I think of something that is so funny that I cant stop myself from saying it, even if it is not appropriate for the situation.  Q20. I often go overboard in putting myself down when I am making jokes or trying to be funny.  1=Never or very rarely true, 2=Rarely true, 3= Sometimes true, 4= Often true, 5=Very often or always true (-1=did not select an answer).  Q21. I enjoy making people laugh.  Q22. If I am feeling sad or upset, I usually lose my sense of humor.  Q23. I never participate in laughing at others even if all my friends are doing it.  Q24. When I am with friends or family, I often seem to be the one that other people make fun of or joke about.  Q25. I don’t often joke around with my friends.  Q26. It is my experience that thinking about some amusing aspect of a situation is often a very effective way of coping with problems.  Q27. If I don’t like someone, I often use humor or teasing to put them down.  Q28. If I am having problems or feeling unhappy, I often cover it up by joking around, so that even my closest friends don’t know how I really feel.  Q29. I usually cant think of witty things to say when I’m with other people.  Q30. I don’t need to be with other people to feel amused? I can usually find things to laugh about even when I’m by myself.  Q31. Even if something is really funny to me, I will not laugh or joke about it if someone will be offended.  Q32. Letting others laugh at me is my way of keeping my friends and family in good spirits. | 4  3  3  2  3  3  5  1  4  3  1  2  5  4  5  5  2  3  1  1  5  3  4  3  2  4  1  2  1  5  4  2 |

On the next page test takers were prompted for three more variables:

age. entered as as text then parsed to an interger. 26

gender. chosen from drop down list (1=male, 2=female, 3=other) 2

accuracy. How accurate they thought their answers were on a scale from 0 to 100, answers were entered as text and parsed to an integer. They were instructed to enter a 0 if they did not want to be included in research.

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The four scale scores of the HSQ were calculated as such (php code):

affiliative. round(((6-$\_POST['Q1']) + $\_POST['Q5'] + (6-$\_POST['Q9']) + $\_POST['Q13'] + (6-$\_POST['Q17']) + $\_POST['Q21'] + (6-$\_POST['Q25']) + (6-$\_POST['Q29']))/8, 1);

selfenhancing. round(($\_POST['Q2'] + $\_POST['Q6'] + $\_POST['Q10'] + $\_POST['Q14'] + $\_POST['Q18'] + $\_POST['Q22'] + $\_POST['Q26'] + $\_POST['Q30'])/8,1);

aggressive. round(($\_POST['Q3']+ $\_POST['Q7'] + $\_POST['Q11'] + $\_POST['Q15'] + $\_POST['Q19'] + $\_POST['Q23'] + $\_POST['Q27'] + $\_POST['Q31'])/8,1);

selfdefeating. round(($\_POST['Q4'] + $\_POST['Q8'] + $\_POST['Q12'] + $\_POST['Q16'] + $\_POST['Q20'] + $\_POST['Q24'] + $\_POST['Q28'] + $\_POST['Q32'])/8,1);