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#### Overview:

• The Grit Scale measures the extent to which individuals can maintain focus and interest and persevere in obtaining long-term goals, a key element of technical aptitude. The assessment serves up a series of statements that would prompt the end user to respond using a 5-point Likert-type scale. The responses to each statement are associated with a numeric grit score. Once all questions are answered, the individual response scores are compiled and divided by the number of statements to deliver an average Grit score.

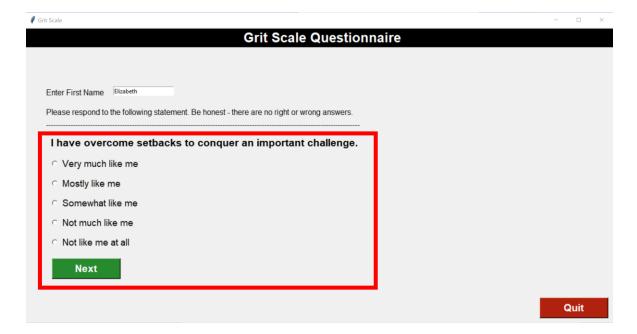
## **User Flow:**

- Task #1: Access Assessment
  - User pulls up assessment program
  - User enters First Name
  - User reads Instructions



- Task #2: Complete Assessment
  - User is given the same options for answering each of the 12 statements:
    - a) Very much like me
    - b) Mostly like me
    - c) Somewhat like me
    - d) Not much like me
    - e) Not like me at all
  - User reads 12 questions, responding a, b, c, d or e for each:
    - 1) I have overcome setbacks to conquer an important challenge.

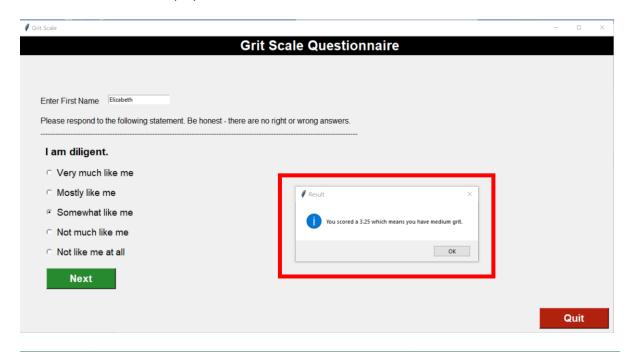
- 2) New ideas and projects sometimes distract me from previous ones.
- 3) My interests change from year to year.
- 4) Setbacks don't discourage me.
- 5) I have been obsessed with a certain idea or project for a short time but later lost interest.
- 6) I am a hard worker.
- 7) I often set a goal but later choose to pursue a different one.
- 8) I have difficulty maintaining my focus on projects that take more than a few months to complete.
- 9) I finish whatever I begin.
- 10) I have achieved a goal that took years of work.
- 11) I become interested in new pursuits every few months.
- 12) I am diligent.

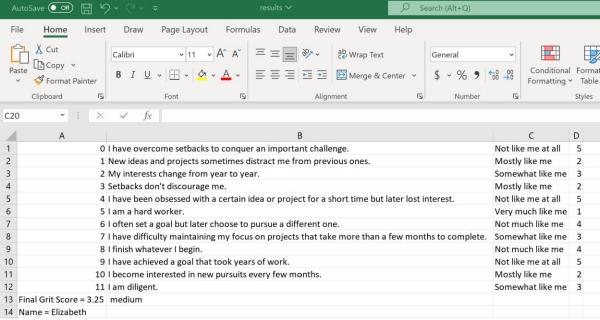


## Task #3: Review Results

- Scores are tabulated
  - For questions 1, 4, 6, 9, 10 and 12 the following points will be assigned:
    - Very much like me = 5
    - Mostly like me = 4
    - Somewhat like me = 3
    - Not much like me = 2
    - Not like me at all = 1
  - For questions 2, 3, 5, 7, 8 and 11 the following points will be assigned:
    - Very much like me = 1
    - Mostly like me = 2
    - Somewhat like me = 3
    - Not much like me = 4
    - Not like me at all = 5

- The score for all questions will be added and divided by 12, with a maximum score of 5 (extremely high grit) and a low score of 1 (extremely low grit).
- Scores are displayed onscreen and stored in a CSV file.





# **Installation and Deployment**

- Read "Getting Started" in User Guide.
- All modules used are included in Python 3 standard packages.

#### **Code Overview:**

• Statements, statement framing, and responses are stored in json file intitled data.json. This file could be updated to include any number of statements or responses:

• The statement framing and scoring are associated using **def generate\_score**:

```
# Generate score for a statement
def generate_score(self, statement_num):
    '''Assigns score for positively & negatively framed statements.
       Assigns value to individual user responses.
   # Calculate scoring for positively framed questions
   if self.framing[statement_num] == "P":
        if self.resp selected.get() == 1:
            self.score += 5
            self.response values.append(5)
        elif self.resp_selected.get() == 2:
            self.score += 4
            self.response_values.append(4)
        elif self.resp_selected.get() == 3:
            self.score += 3
            self.response_values.append(3)
        elif self.resp_selected.get() == 4:
            self.score += 2
            self.response_values.append(2)
        elif self.resp_selected.get() == 5:
            self.score += 1
            self.response_values.append(1)
   # Calculate scoring for negatively framed questions
   else:
       if self.resp_selected.get() == 1:
           self.score += 1
           self.response values.append(1)
       elif self.resp_selected.get() == 2:
           self.score += 2
           self.response values.append(2)
       elif self.resp_selected.get() == 3:
           self.score += 3
           self.response_values.append(3)
       elif self.resp_selected.get() == 4:
           self.score += 4
           self.response_values.append(4)
       elif self.resp_selected.get() == 5:
           self.score += 5
            self.response_values.append(5)
```

 def display\_results then takes the users responses and calculates a final grit score, with associated language, and delivers the responses to each question, as well as the final Grit Score and first name to a CSV file titled Results.csv:

```
def display_result(self):
     ''Calculates user's final score.
   result = round(float(self.score / self.data_size), 2)
   grit_words = {1: "extremely low",
                  2: "low",
                  3: "medium",
                  5: "extremely high"}
   grit_level = int(result)
   grit_as_word = grit_words[grit_level]
   score_msg = f"You scored a {result} which means you have {grit_as_word} grit."
   mb.showinfo("Result", score_msg)
    with open("results.csv", "w+") as fo: # Open and write to CSV
       for i in range(0, self.data_size): # Loop over all statements
           statement = self.statements[i] # Gather statement options
           possible_responses = self.responses[i] # Gather responses options
           response_value = self.response_values[i] # Gather this user's responses in number format, assumes 12 values in that list
            index = response_value - 1 # Convert 1 to 5 into an index (0 to 4)
           response_text = possible_responses[index] # Gather this user's response in text format
       print(f"{i},{statement},{response_text},{response_value}", file=fo) # Write individual statement results to file
print(f"Final Grit Score = {result}, {grit_as_word}", file=fo) # Write total results to file
        name = self.name.get() # Gather name info
        print(f"Name = {name}", file=fo) # Write name to file
```

- The remaining functions populate the user interface and behaviors.
- **def display\_title** populates the page title, the First Name entry field and the instructions with associated styling:

```
# Display Title, Name Entry Field & Instructions

def display_title(self):
    ""Create and place title, name entry fields and instructions.
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• **def display\_statements** populates the statements, with associated styling:

• **def radio\_buttons** populates the radio buttons next to the responses:

• **def display\_responses** populates the responses next to the radio buttons and deselects the radio buttons when moving to a new statement:

```
# Display responses (next to radio buttons including select/deselect behavior)
def display_responses(self):
    '''Create and place response options.
    Deselect reponse for each new question.
    '''
    val = 0

# Deselect radio buttons
    self.resp_selected.set(0)

# Display responses next to radio buttons
    for response in self.responses[self.statement_num]: ...
```

• **def buttons** populates the Next and Quit buttons:

• **def next\_btn** offers the behavior to move users to the next question after hitting next, as well as offers error messaging in the absence of a First Name or selected Response. Finally, it displays the final score message and shuts down the application once complete:

```
# Show next statement
def next_btn(self):
    '''Move user to next question when clicking next button.
       Insert error messaging.
       Close application after display results.
    enter_value = "Please select a value before hitting next."
    enter_name = "Please enter your first name."
    #Message box to display statement error message
    if self.resp_selected.get() == 0:
        mb.showerror("Error", enter_value)
        return
    # Message box to display name error message
   if self.name.get() == "":
        mb.showerror("Error", enter_name)
        return
   # Score current statement
    self.generate_score(self.statement_num)
   # Move to next statement by incrementing the statement_num counter
    self.statement_num += 1
   # Check if statement_num = data size
    if self.statement_num == self.data_size:
        # If it is correct then it displays the score
        self.display result()
        # Destroy the GUI
        gui.destroy()
    else:
        # Show the next statement
        self.display_statements()
        self.display_responses()
```

#### **Known Issues:**

• The user does not have the capability to go back and change their response to a previous statement. The full questionnaire must be completed again to change responses.

## **Future work:**

- Below are potential enhancements to the current application
  - Expand statement set that allows for sub-category scores for:
    - Consistency of Interest
    - Perseverance of Effort
    - Ambition
  - o Offer a graphic representation of score on visual scale.
  - Shuffle the order of the questions.
  - o Show users their score comparative to national averages.

# Ongoing deployment/development:

• To save time in confirming the scoring model accuracy, write a unit test that automatically simulates randomized user responses rather than manually clicking through 12 statements.