

May God's Grace Guide Me

Supplemental Materials

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Primes: Sentence Completion Tasks

Table 1: Neutral Prime Completion Tasks

Stimuli	Solution
appreciated presence was imagine her	Her presence was appreciated
fall was worried she always	She was always worried
shoes give replace old the	Replace the old shoes
retrace good have holiday a	Have a good holiday
more paper it once do	Do it once more
send I over it mailed	I mailed it over
rode hammer he the train	He rode the train
yesterday it finished track he	He finished it yesterday
sky the seamless blue is	The sky is blue
prepared somewhat I was retired	I was somewhat prepared

Table 2: Religious Prime Completion Tasks

Stimuli	Solution
appreciated presence was imagine her	Her presence was appreciated
his worships bent idol he	He worships his idol
more paper it once do	Do it once more
sacred was book refer the	The book was sacred
send I over it mailed	I mailed it over
the poor greed pray for	Pray for the poor
yesterday it finished track he	He finished it yesterday
her have in hair faith	Have faith in her
prepared somewhat I was retired	I was somewhat prepared
a eleven was miracle it	It was a miracle

Argument Conditions

Conservative

The US needs to reduce the number of women having abortions! The Government should stop supporting abortion providers like Planned Parenthood and should make abortion illegal

Here are the reasons why:

1. Fetuses in the womb are unborn children – they feel pain and have the right to live
2. Women who have abortions often suffer physical consequences and mental anguish
3. It is unethical to use tax dollars to support abortion providers because so many Americans believe abortion is immoral

Liberal

The US needs to ensure women have access to safe abortions! The Government should increase funding for abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood and should end abortion restrictions.

Here are the reasons why:

1. The government should not control women's bodies – forcing women to bear children against their will makes them second-class citizens
2. Making abortions illegal will result in women seeking out unsafe abortions, which are dangerous and sometimes result in death
3. It is unfair that many women who need abortions cannot afford them. The government should find a way to reduce the cost of abortions for low-income women.

Survey Questions

1. Before moving on, we'd like to ask you if you remember the main point of the argument you read in the preceding page. What is the main point of the argument you just read?
 - (a) Abortion should be legal
 - (b) Abortion should be illegal
2. Regardless of your opinions on the issue, how would you rate the quality of the argument (1 – strongly disagree, 7 – strongly agree)
3. On a scale of 1 to 7 with 1 being strongly disagree and 7 being strongly agree, please tell us how much you agree with this statement.

4. Please tell us why you answered number 3 the way you did in as much detail as possible.

Religiosity Measure

Each of the items here uses the following scale: 1 = Strongly Disagree to 7 = Strongly Agree

1. I believe the God exists
2. Prayer to God is one of my usual practices
3. Religion gives me a great amount of security in my life
4. I consider myself a religious person
5. My religion influences the way I choose to act in my routine life
6. I feel there are more important things in life than religion
7. I am interested in religion
8. Religious considerations influence my everyday affairs

Additional Information

The data and analysis for this study can be located at: <https://github.com/lin-jennifer/ReligiousPrimes.git> Here, you may find information regarding the code of the original data, cleaned data for the analysis, analysis script files for Stata and R, along with the stimuli used for the experiment itself. Please direct any questions to jennifer.lin16@ncf.edu.