

Cross-Cultural World-Mindedness Scale

The following are statements that deal with various global issues. They express opinions that people have. There are no right or wrong answers. It is your opinion that counts. After reading a statement indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with it by placing the appropriate number in the blank left of the statement. Use the following number code:

- 1 for Disagree Strongly
- 2 for Disagree
- 3 for Disagree Slightly
- 4 for Agree Slightly
- 5 for Agree
- 6 for Agree Strongly

For example, if you strongly agree you should put the number 6, and if you slightly disagree you should put the number 3 next to the statement. Please make sure that all items are completed.

- ___ 1. Our country should have the right to prohibit certain racial and religious groups from entering to live.
- ___ 2. Race prejudice may be a good thing for us because it keeps many undesirable foreigners from coming into this country.
- ___ 3. Foreigners are particularly obnoxious because of their religious beliefs.
- ___ 4. It would be better to be a citizen of the world than of any particular country.
- ___ 5. Our responsibility to people of other races ought to be as great as our responsibility to people of our own race.
- ___ 6. Our country should refuse to cooperate in a total disarmament program even if some other nations agree to it.
- ___ 7. It would be dangerous for our country to make international agreements with nations whose religious beliefs are antagonistic to ours.
- ___ 8. Any healthy individual, regardless of race or religion should be allowed to live wherever he or she wants to in the world.
- ___ 9. If necessary, we ought to be willing to lower our standard of living to cooperate with other countries in getting an equal standard for every person in the world.
- ___ 10. Some races ought to be considered naturally less intelligent than ours.

- ___ 11. An international police force ought to be the only group in the world allowed to have armaments.
- ___ 12. All national governments ought to be abolished and replaced by one central world government.
- ___ 13. We should teach our children to uphold the welfare of all people everywhere even though it may be against the best interests of our own country.
- ___ 14. The present distribution of the world's wealth and resources should be maintained because it promotes the survival of the fittest.
- ___ 15. Concessions on the part of my country to other nations are morally right if the concession will promote world peace.
- ___ 16. We have a moral obligation to share our country's wealth with the less fortunate people of the world.
- ___ 17. The development of new technologies is the key to progress and thus worth any problems it might create.
- ___ 18. The primary goal of my country's foreign policy should be to promote peaceful resolutions of international conflicts.
- ___ 19. The rich nations should share their wealth with the less fortunate people of the world.
- ___ 20. My country should participate in international cooperative activities only if it has something to gain.
- ___ 21. The rich nations are morally obligated to take whatever measures are necessary to raise the standard of the less fortunate people of the world.
- ___ 22. Citizens of my country should be entitled to pursue whatever materialistic standard of living they desire, regardless of the effects on our environment of natural resources.
- ___ 23. My country has a right to increase its share of the world's wealth and resources regardless of the effects on less developed countries.
- ___ 24. My country does *not* have a moral obligation to share its technological and economic riches with the less fortunate people of the world.
- ___ 25. The potential social and psychological problems resulting from a technological innovation should be assessed prior to the development of the technology.

____26. Technological progress is worth the cost to our environment and natural resources.

Scoring: Reverse the following items then add across all 26 items: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 14, 17, 20, 22, 23. 24, 26,

Note: Descriptive statistics per item from different countries are available upon request from the author.

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