

Social Desirability Scale

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Listed below are a number of statements concerning personal attitudes and traits. Read each item and decide whether the statement is true or false as it pertains to you personally. It's best to go with your first judgment and not spend too long mulling over any one question. After you have marked all your answers press the "Check" button and the test will give you your score and what it means.

1. Before voting I thoroughly investigate the qualifications of all the candidates.

- a. True
- b. False

2. I never hesitate to go out of my way to help someone in trouble.

- a. True
- b. False

3. It is sometimes hard for me to go on with my work if I am not encouraged.

- a. True
- b. False

4. I have never intensely disliked anyone.

- a. True
- b. False

5. On occasions I have had doubts about my ability to succeed in life.

- a. True
- b. False

6. I sometimes feel resentful when I don't get my way.

- a. True
- b. False

7. I am always careful about my manner of dress.

- a. True
- b. False

8. My table manners at home are as good as when I eat out in a restaurant.

- a. True
- b. False

9. If I could get into a movie without paying and be sure I was not seen I would probably do it.

- a. True
- b. False

10. On a few occasions, I have given up something because I thought too little of my ability.

- a. True
- b. False

11. I like to gossip at times.

- a. True
- b. False

12. There have been times when I felt like rebelling against people in authority even though I knew they were right.

- a. True
- b. False

13. No matter who I'm talking to, I'm always a good listener.

- a. True
- b. False

14. I can remember "playing sick" to get out of something.

- a. True
- b. False

15. There have been occasions when I have taken advantage of someone.

- a. True
- b. False

16. I'm always willing to admit it when I make a mistake.

- a. True
- b. False

17. I always try to practice what I preach.

- a. True
- b. False

18. I don't find it particularly difficult to get along with loudmouthed, obnoxious people.

- a. True
- b. False

19. I sometimes try to get even rather than forgive and forget.

- a. True
- b. False

20. When I don't know something I don't mind at all admitting it.

- a. True
- b. False

21. I am always courteous, even to people who are disagreeable.

- a. True
- b. False

22. At times I have really insisted on having things my own way.

- a. True
- b. False

23. There have been occasions when I felt like smashing things.

- a. True
- b. False

24. I would never think of letting someone else be punished for my wrong-doings.

- a. True
- b. False

25. I never resent being asked to return a favor.

- a. True
- b. False

26. I have never been irked when people expressed ideas very different from my own.

- a. True
- b. False

27. I never make a long trip without checking the safety of my car.

- a. True
- b. False

28. There have been times when I was quite jealous of the good fortune of others.

- a. True
- b. False

29. I have almost never felt the urge to tell someone off.

- a. True
- b. False

30. I am sometimes irritated by people who ask favors of me.

- a. True
- b. False

31. I have never felt that I was punished without cause.

- a. True
- b. False

32. I sometimes think when people have a misfortune they only got what they deserved.

- a. True
- b. False

33. I have never deliberately said something that hurt someone's feelings.

- a. True
- b. False