The Life Attitudes Scale (LAS)

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Plea	ase indicate the degree which each item ref	flects your a	ttitude to	ward life.	
the	te: In order to maintain the integrity of study <i>all questions must be answered</i> in er to save your results.)	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	When times get really tough, someone or something will come through for me	SA	А	D	SD
2	In times of crisis, I tend to consider the needs of others before I consider my own needs	SA	А	D	SD
3	Faith in a higher power makes it easier to endure pain	SA	А	D	SD
4	In times of great tragedy, the opportunity to sacrifice myself for the common good makes my pain more bearable	SA	A	D	SD
5	I have faith that eventually justice will prevail, even though at times it seems hopeless	SA	А	D	SD
6	I will pursue my life goals no matter how much they will cost me	SA	А	D	SD
7	There is a dark and evil side to every person	SA	А	D	SD
8	I believe in a higher power	SA	А	D	SD
9	Life is full of setbacks	SA	А	D	SD
10	Putting my fate in God's hands has helped me gain peace in my life	SA	А	D	SD
11	Being an example to others motivates me to endure hardships	SA	А	D	SD
12	Living for others helps me rise above my own problems	SA	А	D	SD
13	It is inevitable that people will let me down	SA	А	D	SD
14	Even though reality is grim, I believe a miracle could happen	SA	А	D	SD
15	My life has purpose because I have a unique calling or mission	SA	А	D	SD
16	I can endure great suffering in this life because I know my reward will be great in the next life	SA	А	D	SD
17	We will never get rid of war, terrorism, or tragedy	SA	А	D	SD

18	My life is worth living no matter how	SA	А	D	SD
19	many problems I have My suffering decreases whenever I	SA	А	D	SD
	reach out to help others				
20	I can move forward with confidence, even if most people don't approve of my life goals	SA	А	D	SD
21	I want to contribute to the well-being of others in spite of my own unfortunate circumstances	SA	А	D	SD
22	My life is fragile, and could end at any time	SA	А	D	SD
23	Even when I am at the end of my rope, I still believe that God will come to my rescue	SA	А	D	SD
24	Even if I were stripped of everything, I still believe that my life is precious	SA	А	D	SD
25	In times of tragedy, I am willing to sacrifice my own safety for the safety of others	SA	А	D	SD
26	Life has intrinsic value, regardless of circumstances	SA	А	D	SD
27	Life is worth living no matter how difficult or painful it is	SA	А	D	SD
28	I'd rather die fighting for something I believe in than play safe	SA	А	D	SD
29	Even though this life is very painful, I believe there is a better life beyond this one	SA	А	D	SD
30	I am willing to face horrible consequences in order to do what is right	SA	А	D	SD
31	I have been put on this earth for a reason	SA	А	D	SD
32	I find satisfaction in helping others, even in the midst of my own suffering	SA	А	D	SD

Note: The Life attitudes scale is called *Life Attitude Scale* during administration.

Scoring:

- 4 = Strongly Agree
- 3 = Agree
- 2 = Disagree
- 1 = Strongly Disagree

Note: Global LAS score is calculated by adding all responses. Subscale scores are calculated by adding responses to items corresponding to the subscales.

Elements (Subscales):		Items:									
Affirmation of meaning and value:		24	26	27							
Acceptance:		9	13	17	22						
Courage:	6	20	28	30							
Faith:	1	3	5	8	10	14	15	16	23	29	31
Self-transcendence:	2	4	11	12	19	21	25	32			

The Life attitudes scale –Survey Results

Survey Results:

Life Attitudes Scale

Element A: Affirmation of meaning and value of life

Definition: The affirmation of: (1) the inherent meaning purpose and value in life regardless of circumstances; (2) the positive values of life such as the freedom to pursue visions, dreams or happiness.

Included Items: 18 24 26 27

Your Score: x

Average Score: x

Element B: Acceptance

Definition: Involves (1) the recognition that suffering and evil are an inevitable part of this life; (2) a willingness to face the present reality, no matter how gloomy; (3) acceptance of my own limitations, weaknesses, and all the misfortunes that have come my way.

Included Items: 7 9 13 17 22

- Your Score: x
- Average Score: x

Element C: Courage

- Definition: The willingness to face obstacles and danger in order to be true to one's own convictions, pursue goals, and to stay alive.
- Included Items: 6 20 28 30

Your Score: x

Average Score: x

Element D: Faith Definition: The willingness to have trust in God (providence or higher power) in spite of doubts and seemingly hopeless situations. Included Items: 1 3 5 8 10 14 15 16 23 29 31 Your Score: Х Average Score: Х Element E: Self-transcendence Definition: The capacity to rise above situational constraints, self-interest, and other limiting factors in order to contribute to humanity and make a difference in the world. Included Items: 2 4 11 12 19 21 25 32 Your Score: Х Average Score: Х

Note. Average Score is calculated based on the current number of entries.