## True Grit Scale (TGS)

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Please respond to the following statements by circling the most appropriate response to the scale.

| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |
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| Strongly <br> Disagree | Disagree | Moderately <br> Disagree | Neither <br> Agree nor <br> Disagree | Moderately <br> Agree | Agree | Strongly <br> Agree |

1. I am only interested in chasing after my dream.

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2. My unwavering belief in the inherent value of my life goal has sustained my interest.
3. I toe the party line because I am afraid of getting into trouble with authority.

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4. I am still passionate about what I am doing.

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5. I have found something that is bigger than personal success and worth dying

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for.
6. I am willing to defy authority in order to stand up for what is right.

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7. I have endured obstacles and oppositions in order to pursue a worthy goal.

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8. I have risked personal danger in order to help others.

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9. Expedience is more important than principle if I want to succeed in this

1234567 world.
10. I have taken on very difficult tasks despite fear of failure and opposition.

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11. I often fail to complete the task because I am easily distracted or discouraged.

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12. I am willing to endure any hardship in order to accomplish my life goals.

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13. Most of the time, my enthusiasm is just like a flash in the pan.

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14. I am willing to suffer rejection and opposition because I want to remain true

1234567 to my character.
15. I have overcome many setbacks and adversities in order to achieve success.

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16. I only pursue what I am very excited about.

## True Grit Scale (TGS) (Preliminary): Coding Key

| Courage (4 items): | $3^{*}, 6,8,10$ |
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| Belief (4 items): | $2,5,9^{*}, 14$ |
| Persistence (4 items): | $7,11^{*}, 12,15$ |
| Passion (4 items): | $1,4,13^{*}, 16$ |
| *Items with asterisk are scored negatively |  |

