INVENTORY OF BELIEFS ABOUT WIFE BEATING

Short Form

Instructions

Below are a number of statements about violence toward wives that some people agree with and others disagree with. Please show how much you agree or disagree with each statement by placing a check after one of the levels of agreement. There are no right or wrong answers. "Beating" is used to mean repeated hitting intended to inflict pain.

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1. Wives could avoid being battered by their husbands if they knew when to stop talking.
   Strongly Agree__    Agree__    Slightly Agree__    Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__ Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

2. A wife doesn't deserve a beating even if she keeps reminding her husband of his weak points.
   Strongly Agree__    Agree__    Slightly Agree__    Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__ Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

3. A woman who constantly refuses to have sex with her husband is asking to be beaten.
   Strongly Agree__    Agree__    Slightly Agree__    Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__ Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

4. Episodes of a man beating his wife are the wife's fault.
   Strongly Agree__    Agree__    Slightly Agree__    Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__ Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

5. A sexually unfaithful wife deserves to be beaten.
   Strongly Agree__    Agree__    Slightly Agree__    Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__ Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__
6. A husband has no right to beat his wife even if she breaks agreements she has made with him.

   Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

7. Occasional violence by a husband toward his wife can help maintain the marriage.

   Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

8. Even if a wife's behavior challenges her husband's manhood, he's not justified in beating her.

   Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

9. Social agencies should do more to help battered women.

   Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
   Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

10. Women should be protected by law if their husbands beat them.

    Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
    Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__

11. Wife-beating should be given a high priority as a social problem by government agencies.

    Strongly Agree__   Agree__   Slightly Agree__   Neither Agree Nor Disagree__
    Slightly disagree__  Disagree__  Strongly Disagree__