

## Environmental Attitudes Questionnaire

We are concerned with your personal opinions on certain matters in environmental conservation. This is not a test and you will not be graded. For this to be of value, your answers must be honest. We want to know what you really think about some of these issues. Mark the answer sheet as follows:

- A for Strongly Agree
- B for Agree
- C for Uncertain
- D for Disagree
- E for Strongly Disagree

1. Overpopulation is a problem in India but not in the United States.
2. More farm machinery and fertilizer would solve most of India's food problems.
3. Plants and animals exist primarily for man's use and enjoyment.
4. With advances in technology, man will always be able to find the natural resources he needs.
5. The human population should be improved by preventing reproduction in certain groups of people.
6. The laws of nature apply to man as well as to other living things.
7. Since persistent pesticides eventually wash into the ocean, there is no real threat in their use.
8. No person has the right to create living things in a laboratory.
9. Tax exemptions per child should be decreased for families with more than two children.
10. In general, chemicals used for control of crop pests are harmful to the environment.
11. Since coyotes kill ground-nesting game birds, we should destroy the coyotes.
12. Economic growth is essential for the welfare of a community.
13. Family size is a personal matter and must not be controlled by legislation.
14. Abortion at any time during pregnancy is murder.
15. Water pollution is a problem in most sections of the United States.
16. In a CORN-PIG-MAN food relationship, people would get about the same amount of energy whether they ate meat only or ate the corn the pig would have eaten.
17. Sending people to other planets is a sensible solution to the population problem.
18. If using more fertilizer on crops will help solve the world food problem, it should be done since, at most, it can do no harm.
19. If we want a healthy deer herd, we should prohibit deer hunting.
20. Science will find substitutes for natural resources when the original supply is exhausted.
21. A man should be allowed to use his own land in any way he sees fit.
22. Modern medicine should apply more effort to promoting longer life.
23. A clean wash is more important than whether algae grows in some river or lake.
24. Coal, oil, and gas are being formed in the earth at about the rate man is consuming them.
25. The Food and Drug Administration does an adequate job in protecting the public from harmful food additives.
26. The United States should build more dams in the West to irrigate more land.
27. Offering a bounty for the larger pest animals is a logical control measure.
28. On a per-person basis, we in the United States use about the same amount of natural resources and produce about the same wastes as people in the rest of the world.
29. Farmers who practice poor conservation still have the right to farm as they like.
30. All American families, regardless of social or economic position, must limit the number of their children to 2 or 3 at most.
31. The profit motive in our society is now outdated and must change.
32. Standard of living is a prime factor in pollution problems.
33. The United States should reduce its population whether other countries do or not.
34. Control of crop pests by the use of DDT should be encouraged.
35. We should try to accomodate our expanding population by developing housing and industry in little-used wilderness areas.
36. Adoption of environmental conservation measures in the United States would end economic progress.

37. There is no real need to worry about future generations.
  38. Birth control information should be made available to all who desire it.
  39. A factory smoke stack with no visible smoke coming out is not likely to be a source of pollution.
  40. Industrial and military plans to exploit the ocean's resources may endanger human life on earth.
  41. Most animals produce just enough offspring to maintain a more or less constant population if all survive.
  42. If we furnish enough food to starving nations, they will be able to solve their other problems.
  43. We really should eliminate plants and animals of no known economic importance to leave more room for the ones man uses.
  44. A continuing population growth is necessary to maintain our rising standard of living.
  45. Only persons planning to work professionally in science should be required to study biology.
  46. The United States should make every effort to raise the rest of the world to our own standard of living.
  47. Environmentalists are too cautious and stand in the way of progress.
  48. In general, the amount of energy used by man is simply his fair share considering his position among living things.
  49. Increasing the production of food is the best answer to problems of increasing population.
  50. If an underdeveloped country can double its population, it can double its food production, too, since there will be more available farm labor.
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