

Nature Relatedness Scale

Instructions: For each of the following, please rate the extent to which you agree with each statement, using the scale from 1 to 5 as shown below. Please respond as you really feel, rather than how you think “most people” feel.

1 Disagree strongly	2 Disagree a little	3 Neither Agree or disagree	4 Agree a little	5 Agree strongly
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| <p>1. I enjoy being outdoors, even in unpleasant weather. _____</p> <p>2. Some species are just meant to die out or become extinct. _____</p> <p>3. Humans have the right to use natural resources any way we want. _____</p> <p>4. My ideal vacation spot would be a remote, wilderness area. _____</p> <p>5. I always think about how my actions affect the environment. _____</p> <p>6. I enjoy digging in the earth and getting dirt on my hands. _____</p> <p>7. My connection to nature and the environment is a part of my spirituality. _____</p> <p>8. I am very aware of environmental issues. _____</p> <p>9. I take notice of wildlife wherever I am. _____</p> <p>10. I don't often go out in nature. _____</p> <p>11. Nothing I do will change problems in other places on the planet. _____</p> | <p>12. I am not separate from nature, but a part of nature. _____</p> <p>13. The thought of being deep in the woods, away from civilization, is frightening. _____</p> <p>14. My feelings about nature do not affect how I live my life. _____</p> <p>15. Animals, birds and plants should have fewer rights than humans. _____</p> <p>16. Even in the middle of the city, I notice nature around me. _____</p> <p>17. My relationship to nature is an important part of who I am. _____</p> <p>18. Conservation is unnecessary because nature is strong enough to recover from any human impact. _____</p> <p>19. The state of non-human species is an indicator of the future for humans. _____</p> <p>20. I think a lot about the suffering of animals. _____</p> <p>21. I feel very connected to all living things and the earth. _____</p> |
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Scoring Information

Reverse scored items: 2, 3, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18; NR-self items: 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16, 17, 21; NR-perspective items: 2, 3, 11, 15, 18, 19, 20; NR-experience items: 1, 4, 6, 9, 10, 13

Overall NR score is calculated by averaging all 21 items (after reverse scoring appropriate items). Scores on the 3 NR dimensions are also calculated by averaging appropriate items after reverse scoring.

A short-form version of the NR scale (NR-6) consists of items: 4, 5, 7, 9, 17, 21. Items are averaged to create a score on the brief measure of NR. No items are reverse scored.

Referencing information:

21-item scale:

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6-item scale:

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