Instructions: These items all use a grid to record your responses. Using the grid, you will be able to record the extent to which you agree and the extent to which you disagree with each statement. Please select the ONE box that best describes your OVERALL feeling about each statement.

Example 1: Taylor is responding to the item "I like eating kale." Taylor really dislikes the taste of kale, but also knows that kale has a lot of nutrients. Taylor chooses the box that corresponds to "Greatly disagree" (because Taylor does not like the taste) and "Moderately agree" (because Taylor appreciates the nutritional value of kale).


The highlighting represents Taylor's thinking - there will be no highlighting on the survey. Taylor selects the box in the corresponding row and column.
(1) Please select ONE box.

No agreement at
all
Slightly agree
Moderately agree
Greatly agree
Completely agree

No disagreement at all
Slightly disagree
Moderately disagree
Greatly disagree
Completely disagree

Example 2: Drew is responding to the item "I dislike driving in Halifax." Drew really hates the traffic during rush hour, but also finds driving to be more convenient than other transportation options. Drew chooses the box that corresponds to "Completely agree" (because Drew hates driving in heavy traffic) and "Moderately disagree" (because Drew appreciates the convenience driving).

The highlighting represents Drew's thinking - there will be no highlighting on the survey. Drew selects the box in the corresponding row and column.
(1) Please select ONE box

No agreement at
all
Slightly agree
Moderately agree
Greatly agree
Completely agree

No disagreement at all
Slightly disagree
Moderately disagree
Greatly disagree
Completely disagree

## 1. This class is too stressful.

(1) Please select ONE box.

|  | No <br> agreement <br> at all | Slightly <br> agree | Moderately <br> agree | Greatly <br> agree | Completely <br> agree |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No disagreement at all | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Slightly disagree | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Moderately disagree | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Greatly disagree | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |
| Completely disagree | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\square$ |


| \# | Item Text | Format | Source |
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| B5 | This class demands too much of my time. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Task Effort Cost scale |
| B7 | I have to put too much energy into this class. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Task Effort Cost scale |
| A8 | This class takes up too much time. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Task Effort Cost scale |
| A4 | This class is too much work. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Task Effort Cost scale |
| A9 | This class requires too much effort | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Task Effort Cost scale |
| B9 | Learning statistics is a good use of my time. | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| A5 | I have more important things to do than spending time learning statistics. | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| B4 | I avoid working on statistics because it makes me feel bad | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| A6 | Taking statistics will limit my future prospects (for example, lower my GPA). | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| A3 | I prioritize other tasks over statistics | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| A2 | Acquiring statistical skills is worth the effort. | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| A7 | Learning statistics is worth spending money on. | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| B6 | If I had to take another course, I would choose a statistics course. | Likert-type and Grid | (Unfried et al., 2018; Whitaker et al., 2019a, 2018) |
| B2 | I worry too much about this class. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| B3 | This class is too exhausting. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| A1 | This class is emotionally draining. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| B8 | This class is too frustrating. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| B1 | This class is too stressful. | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| B10 | This class makes me feel too anxious | Likert-type and Grid | (Flake et al., 2015) - Emotional Cost scale |
| C1 | I worked on my homework for 20 hours, and I didn't really understand it. | Grid only | Developed for this project |
| C2 | I worked on my homework for 20 hours, and I think I understood most of it. | Grid only | Developed for this project |
| C3 | I worked on my homework for 20 hours, and I understood all of it and learned some new things. | Grid only | Developed for this project |

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[^0]Heatmaps of Group B Items 1-9


Heatmaps illustrating the number of participants who selected each cell in the grid for each of the first 9 items in Group B (presented before Group A).
All heatmaps are based on $\mathrm{n}=13$ responses except Page2Grid7 which is based on $\mathrm{n}=12$.
These are preliminary results based on a small sample size.


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