

Attitudes toward Homosexuality

Please indicate your level of agreement with the items below using the following scale:

1	2	3	4	5
Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree

- ___ 1. I would not mind having a homosexual friend.
- ___ 2. Finding out that an artist was gay would have no effect on my appreciation of his/her work.
- ___ 3. I won't associate with known homosexuals if I can help it.
- ___ 4. I would look for a new place to live if I found out my roommate was gay.
- ___ 5. Homosexuality is a mental illness.
- ___ 6. I would not be afraid for my child to have a homosexual teacher.
- ___ 7. Gays dislike members of the opposite sex.
- ___ 8. I do not really find the thought of homosexual acts disgusting.
- ___ 9. Homosexuals are more likely to commit deviant sexual acts, such as child molestation, rape, and voyeurism (Peeping Toms), than are heterosexuals.
- ___ 10. Homosexuals should be kept separate from the rest of society (i.e., separate housing, restricted employment).
- ___ 11. Two individual of the same sex holding hands or displaying affection in public is revolting.
- ___ 12. The love between two males or two females is quite different from the love between two persons of the opposite sex.
- ___ 13. I see the gay movement as a positive thing.
- ___ 14. Homosexuality, as far as I'm concerned, is not sinful.
- ___ 15. I would not mind being employed by a homosexual.
- ___ 16. Homosexuals should be forced to have psychological treatment.
- ___ 17. The increasing acceptance of homosexuality in our society is aiding in the deterioration of morals.
- ___ 18. I would not decline membership in an organization just because it had homosexual members.
- ___ 19. I would vote for a homosexual in an election for public office.
- ___ 20. If I knew someone were gay, I would still go ahead and form a friendship with that individual.
- ___ 21. If I were a parent, I could accept my son or daughter being gay.

Scoring: Careful – this is the only Likert Scale construct we present where 1 = Strongly Agree and 5 = Strongly Disagree. Generally, we find it easier to rank our agreement with the statement as high when we agree and low otherwise. Make sure your respondents read the directions carefully. Note that items 1,2, 6, 8, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, and 21 are reverse scored, i.e. 5 = Strongly Agree, 4 = Agree, 3 = Neutral, 2 = Disagree, and 1 = Strongly Disagree. Sum the values. Range is 21 to 105, with higher scores indicating a more positive and openness attitude toward homosexuals. Source: Kite, M.E., & Deaux, K. (1986).