

TABLE 10.7 The Ambivalent Sexism Inventory

Below are a series of statements concerning men and women and their relationship in contemporary society. Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement using the scale below.

	0 disagree strongly	1 disagree somewhat	2 disagree slightly	3 agree slightly	4 agree somewhat	5 agree strongly				
1. No matter how accomplished he is, a man is not truly complete as a person unless he has the love of a woman.					0	1	2	3	4	5
2. Many women are actually seeking special favors, such as hiring policies that favor them over men, under the guise of asking for "equality."					0	1	2	3	4	5
3. In a disaster, women ought to be rescued before men.					0	1	2	3	4	5
4. Most women interpret innocent remarks or acts as being sexist.					0	1	2	3	4	5
5. Women are too easily offended.					0	1	2	3	4	5
6. People are not truly happy in life without being romantically involved with a member of the opposite sex.					0	1	2	3	4	5
7. Feminists are seeking for women to have more power than men.					0	1	2	3	4	5
8. Most women have a quality of purity that few men possess.					0	1	2	3	4	5
9. Women should be cherished and protected by men.					0	1	2	3	4	5
10. Most women fail to appreciate fully all that men do for them.					0	1	2	3	4	5
11. Women seek to gain power by getting control over men.					0	1	2	3	4	5
12. Every man ought to have a women whom he adores.					0	1	2	3	4	5
13. Men are incomplete without women.					0	1	2	3	4	5
14. Women exaggerate problems they have at work.					0	1	2	3	4	5
15. Once a woman gets a man to commit to her, she usually tries to put him on a tight leash.					0	1	2	3	4	5
16. When women lose to men in a fair competition, they typically complain about being discriminated against.					0	1	2	3	4	5
17. A good woman should be set on a pedestal by her man.					0	1	2	3	4	5
18. Many women get a kick out of teasing men by seeming sexually available and then refusing male advances.					0	1	2	3	4	5
19. Women, compared to men, tend to have a superior moral sensibility.					0	1	2	3	4	5
20. Men should be willing to sacrifice their own well being in order to provide financially for the women in their lives.					0	1	2	3	4	5
21. Feminists are making unreasonable demands of men.					0	1	2	3	4	5
22. Women, as compared to men, tend to have a more refined sense of culture and good taste.					0	1	2	3	4	5

Note: To calculate scores on the benevolent sexism subscale, average your responses to items 1, 3, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 17, 19, 20, and 22; to calculate scores on the hostile sexism scale, average your responses to items 2, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, and 21.

Source: Glick and Fiske (1996).