

## The Poplar Dilemma: Items and Scales

(Complete questionnaire. Not all questions are used for the calculations in the Dilemma-Tool)

Please imagine the following:					
Six months' ago, a young family with two children your age bought a house in your neighbourhood and moved in. In the garden and belonging to the house, is a big tree, a 50-year-old poplar. After a short time, one of the children developed a severe allergy against poplar pollen. Your new neighbours have now decided to cut down the tree.					
1 = Agree	2 = Rather agree	3 = I am undecided	4 = Rather disagree	5 = Disagree	-9 = Not answered
What do you think about your neighbours' decision?					

Which reasons for or against this decision most closely match your opinion?					
1 = Agree	2 = Rather agree	3 = I am undecided	4 = Rather disagree	5 = Disagree	-9 = Not answered
The poplar tree is an important habitat and food source for animals.					
Drugs for allergies can have strong side effects.					
Because they are created in God's image, humans are above all other living creatures.					
The tree contributes to a good urban climate.					
Felling trees contradicts humans' remit to protect nature.					
The child can take medication for the allergy.					
Nothing should be done without a medical allergy test.					
Humans have received the task from God to deal responsibly with animals and the rest of nature and to preserve the diversity of the world.					
I would be happy for the neighbour's child.					
The tree is a victim, it cannot defend itself.					
I would find it sad if the tree were to disappear.					
I find that unfair that the tree should go just because poplar pollen is in the air for a month.					
I don't think the neighbours should make such a fuss.					
I don't care whether the tree is cut down.					
I can understand the neighbours.					
I would miss the tree.					
If everyone were to do this, we would soon have no more trees in residential areas.					
The tree was there first.					
The tree is a burden on the family.					
Humankind should not interfere with the laws of nature.					
All life is God's creation and has an intrinsic value that must be respected.					
The tree is to blame for the child suffering.					
I would have a guilty conscience about the tree.					

The tree should be respected for its age.
The neighbours are allowed to cut down the tree, but have to plant another one.
The neighbours should first look for other solutions.
The child can be immunised against poplar pollen, then the tree doesn't need to be felled.
Well-tolerated allergy medications are available, so that the tree does not have to be felled at all.
I think that humankind must actively work to preserve creation.
The neighbours should move away again.
The case should be reported to the authorities.
There is no alternative than to cut down the tree.

Have you done or experienced this before:			
1 = Often	2 = Rarely	3 = Never	-9 = Not Answered
Spent the night outdoors			
Experienced a moving church service			
Swam in a lake			
Prayed to God			
Meditated in silence			
Let a beetle crawl over your hand			
Dammed up a stream			
Doubted whether God really exists			
Participated in an environmental campaign			
Fasted for religious reasons			
Built a forest hut			
Experienced the Divine in nature			
Picnicked in the countryside			
Collected wild berries			
Thanked God for the beauty of nature			
Explored a cave			
Experienced the nearness of God			

Why do you think nature should be protected?					
1 = Agree	2 = Rather agree	3 = I am undecided	4 = Rather disagree	5 = Disagree	-9 = Not answered
Out of love for nature					
To preserve the diversity of species					
To ensure the survival of humankind					
To be able to continue manufacturing necessary consumer goods					

How do you feel about following statements?					
1 = Agree	2 = Rather agree	3 = I am undecided	4 = Rather disagree	5 = Disagree	-9 = Not answered

Plants have a soul.
The Bible comes from God and is therefore true.
Without people, nature would be in harmony and peace.
Humankind should exploit nature.
What is natural is good.
The Bible contains many human words of wisdom, but it is not influenced by God.
I believe that creation happened as it is written in the Bible.
The creation story is a very old explanation of the world, which can be interpreted meaningfully today.
Modern science has disproved that God created the world.
I want to help nature as best I can.
The Bible is just one book among many.
Humankind is on the verge of destroying nature once and for all.
The creation reports show that scientific theories cannot be correct.
I can do without nature in my life.
Scientific findings challenge us to rethink our own idea of God.
It is better for nature if I don't travel so far away for holidays.
The belief that everything is created by a loving God is important to me personally.
I find insects fascinating.
I find insects frightening.
If I find an insect in my room, I call someone to remove it for me.
Insects are useful creatures.
Insects are "pests" and I could easily do without them.
Insects are an important part of our environment.
If I find an insect in my room, I put it outside.
If I find an insect in my room, I kill it.

I am			
1 = Male	2 = Female	3 = Not specified	-9 = Not Answered

My age
Open entry field (positive integer)

What grade/year are you currently in?
Open entry field (positive integer)

Which religious community do you belong to?			
1 = Roman Catholic	2 = Protestant	3 = Other Christian denomination	4 = Islamic
5 = Jewish	6 = other religious community	7 = I don't belong to any religion	-9 = Not answered

Do you receive religious education in school?

1 = Yes	2 = No	-9 = Not answered
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What kind of religious education do you receive in school?		
1 = Protestant religious education	2 = catholic religious education	3 = Islamic religious education
4 = Other	5 = Ethics	-9 = Not Answered