Appendix - B

SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE SCALE (SIS)
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There are some statements regarding the way in which we behave, feel and act. We want your first response. Please try to make your best possible answer honestly and sincerely. Your answer will be kept strictly confidential. Please do not omit any statement.

PART-I

INSTRUCTIONS: Please read the following statements carefully and among the three responses given for each of them, pick up the one which seems to you to be the most likely way in which you would respond. You are to choose only one response from a, b, and c, and mark a cross (x) on the appropriate cell on the answer sheet.

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<td>1. Your servant has taken a day’s leave.</td>
<td>(a) You are first to volunteer help.</td>
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<td>(b) You will help if nobody else does.</td>
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<td>(c) You find some excuse and avoid helping.</td>
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<td>2. When you hear about a crime.</td>
<td>(a) You sympathise solely with the victims.</td>
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<td>(b) You remain indifferent.</td>
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<td>(c) You do both, sympathise with the victims and empathise with the criminals.</td>
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<td>3. You have been given an award for academic excellence.</td>
<td>(a) How did I manage it?</td>
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<td>(b) I deserved it!</td>
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<td>(c) Well, nobody else could have got it.</td>
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<td>4. You are forced to rewrite some of your notes because somebody stole them.</td>
<td>(a) I will kill the person!</td>
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<td>(b) I wonder why somebody had to do this.</td>
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(c) I will never forgive him / her.

5. You are requested to switch off the music system as your neighbor is having a severe headache.
   (a) You immediately comply.
   (b) You ignore the request.
   (c) You grumble and argue.

6. You came across an accident where a car collided with an elephant. The former was damaged and the latter died. What strikes you first?
   (a) The damaged car received.
   (b) The dead elephant.
   (c) Both.

7. You are asked to join a rough trek.
   (a) I am determined to give it a try.
   (b) I wonder if I can stand the strain.
   (c) Oh! I won’t risk it.

8. Someone who is dependent on you spends your hard earned money on gambling.
   (a) You reprimand severely.
   (b) You talk it over.
   (c) You decide to throw him out.

9. If you are asked to go for a picnic you do not really want to go for but know your friends would like you to.
   (a) You will go.
   (b) You refuse point blank.
   (c) You will try your best to avoid going if it were possible.

10. You hear that some anti-social elements have been given capital punishment.
    (a) You are happy.
    (b) You are relieved.
11. You are invited for a grand party.
   (a) I hope I know people there.
   (b) I guess I’ll make friends.
   (c) I wish I did not have to go.

12. You are asked to make a speech at a public function.
   (a) Gosh! I am nervous.
   (b) I will give them a talk to remember.
   (c) I wonder if a substitute can be found.

13. You come out of a restaurant and find a beggar outside.
   (a) You give him some money.
   (b) You ignore him.
   (c) You feel guilty.

14. If you had to share your room with a distant cousin for a week.
   (a) You will hesitate.
   (b) You will refuse.
   (c) You will agree immediately.

15. At a group meeting you find it impossible to put forward a very pertinent point.
   (a) You get disgusted.
   (b) You want to scream.
   (c) You decide to make it later if possible.

16. Your friend fails to understand the solution to a simple technical problem which you have explained many times over.
   (a) You tell your friend that he / she is stupid.
   (b) You continue to try.
   (c) You dismiss the subject.
17. You are required to stay at home to look after someone in your family and hence have to cancel an outing.
   (a) You wouldn’t do it.
   (b) You cancel your outing.
   (c) You look for an alternative solution.

18. When you see a child being hit by its parent in public.
   (a) You sympathise with the child.
   (b) You get upset.
   (c) You remain indifferent.

19. You are faced with a stiff problem.
   (a) I can’t solve it.
   (b) I’m sure something will come up.
   (c) There can be no possible solution to this.

20. Your friend arrives 45 minutes late for an appointment.
   (a) You are wild at him / her.
   (b) You refuse to listen to excuses.
   (c) You ask for an explanation.

21. You are asked to walk a long way to the market to get something for a party at home.
   (a) You will refuse.
   (b) You agree to go.
   (c) You try persuading others to go.

22. If you see a blind man waiting to cross a road and looking for help.
   (a) You wait to see if someone else will help.
   (b) You immediately offer assistance.
   (c) You decide to ignore the situation.
23. You have failed in your examinations.
   (a) This is terrible.
   (b) I will always fail.
   (c) I’m sure I will do better next time.

24. Caged birds are being sold all over the country.
   (a) You consider them decorative.
   (b) You appreciate their beauty.
   (c) You think that they ought to be freed.

25. If you are asked to step down from some high post for a good cause.
   (a) You will resign.
   (b) You will fight and try to retain the post.
   (c) You will refuse it immediately.

26. You are asked to baby sit a child for the evening.
   (a) You try to quickly put the child to sleep.
   (b) You try to form a rapport with the child.
   (c) You refuse to baby sit.

27. You go for a movie with some family friends and find it very boring.
   (a) You wait till the end.
   (b) You walk out.
   (c) You tell your friends that they have bad taste.

28. If you had to sacrifice a holiday for a friend’s need.
   (a) You would go on your holiday.
   (b) You would help your friend out.
   (c) You will try your very best to avoid making a sacrifice.

29. You see a man suffering in pain on the road side.
   (a) You help him.
(b) You ignore him.

(c) You can’t help him but think about the incident for many days.

30. You have been accused of a crime you never committed.

(a) I will never be able to prove my point.

(b) I will prove myself

(c) There is no way I can get out of this.

31. If you went home tired and found that you had to entertain some friends for the evening.

(a) You display signs of reluctance.

(b) You keep up a smile and ensure their comfort.

(c) You will try your best to give them a hint.

32. Suppose you are a team captain and some discussion arose.

(a) You would refuse to accent the views of other numbers.

(b) You consider yourself supreme.

(c) You believe in overall participation.

33. You finally find a dress you have been waiting for, for ages and discover that the size is not proper.

(a) You wait for more places to arrive.

(b) You buy it up any way and consider altering it.

(c) You drop the idea completely.

34. How would you react to the extreme poverty prevalent in slums?

(a) Dirty slums sicken you.

(b) You consider it their bad luck.

(c) You feel responsible in some way.

35. You are asked to play the lead role in some play.

(a) I can’t act at all.

(b) I am not presentable enough.
(c) I will try and do my best.

36. You are asked to attend a religious function at an old aunt’s house.
   (a) You are unwilling because you dislike conventional people.
   (b) You accept just to please your aunt.
   (c) You can’t hear to sit through long ceremonies.

PART-II

INSTRUCTIONS: From each of the following quotations, select the word that most accurately describes the mental state of a person making the statement. Cross out (x) the correct answer on the answer sheet.

37. The army will defend us. Will it? Won’t it?
   (a) Despair  (b) Indecision  (c) Confidence.

38. And to think we had looked forward to this party for days.
   (a) Disappointment  (b) Regret  (c) Disgust.

39. We hate the way you admire her. What about us?
   (a) Despair  (b) Jealousy  (c) Possessiveness.

PART-III

INSTRUCTIONS: In this part, there are some statements regarding the way you behave and act. Each statement has a forced choice response of either ‘Yes’ or ‘No’. Try and decide whether ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ represents your usual way of behaving and acting. If yes, cross out (x) the cell below ‘Yes’ and if no, then cross out (x) the cell below ‘No’.

40. If you were the host in a party and had to entertain a mixed crowd in which there were some people you disliked intensely would you gently avoid them and give the other more attention.

41. Your friend brings you a gift for some occasion and it so happens that you don’t like it much, would you express your feelings obviously.

42. If you had to give someone a piece of bad news and after having searched for almost a day, you finally find him / her in a disturbed mood would you give the news?
43. On arriving for dinner at a friend’s place you discover that none of the dishes prepared appeals to your appetite. Would you resist showing traces of disappointment?

44. In your various successful enterprises do you think that your opponents have experienced strong sense of defeat?

45. Do you go through experiences where you find that in some controversial matter after a while your opponents willingly acknowledge your point of view?

46. If you are asked to intervene in an argument between two persons without supporting any of them, do you expect to be successful.

PART-IV

INSTRUCTIONS: Given below is a list of incomplete jokes. Against them, there are three choices with which to complete the joke. You are to select and cross out (x) the choice you consider to be the most humorous.

47. Doctor to patient: ‘Are you married by any chance?’ Patient:
   
   (a) My wife chooses her own doctor.
   
   (b) No, the reason I look this way is that I am sick.
   
   (c) That was ten years back.

48. Two friends were discussing the reasons for their remaining single after all these years. ‘Why only a few days’, said the first, ‘I met a girl and fell in love with her at first sight’. ‘Well’, then said the second, ‘Why didn’t you marry her’?
   
   (a) I took a second look.
   
   (b) She was my boss’s wife.
   
   (c) Her boy – friend punched me.

49. It was their first fight after marriage and the sordid subject was money. ‘Before we were married’, She cried, ‘You told me you were well off’.
   
   (a) ‘So what’ he yelled!
   
   (b) ‘I was’, he snarled ‘but I didn’t know it’.
   
   (c) How right I was, he retorted.
50. Why does he suffer from eyestrain?
   (a) Lack of spectacles.
   (b) He lives opposite the Y.W.C.A.
   (c) He sleeps very little.

51. ‘You’re a liar’, challenged muscles, ‘Really’, grumbled the small man, ‘Say that again and I’ll burst your jaw’. ‘Consider it said’, taunted muscles.
   (a) Forget it.
   (b) Bye-bye I have to hurry home.
   (c) Consider it bursted.

52. ‘Don’t I look good tails?’
   (a) No.
   (b) We all do, don’t we.
   (c) Why not? Your ancestor did.

53. Elderly passenger who objects to cigarette smoking. ‘If you were my husband, I’d give you poison’. Replied the smoker:
   (a) Well if you were my wife I’d take it.
   (b) You’d still go to jail.
   (c) With or without dessert.

54. Patient to new doctor in the Mental Asylum, ‘We all like you more than the old doctor’;
   ‘Why?’ queried the surprised doctor. The patient replied:
   (a) We feel you are more like one of us.
   (b) Well, the old doctor was slightly mad.
   (c) Your hair is longer.
PART-V

INSTRUCTIONS: Write down the name of eminent persons on the answer sheet.