Appendix (A)

Instructions: Please imagine yourself in the following social situations and write your responses in the spaces provided after each situation. All personal information will be kept confidential and for research purpose only.

**Situation 1:** You have a nice meal in a public restaurant, and now it is time to ask the waiter to prepare your bill.

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**Situation 2:** You want your younger brother to fetch some bread from the nearby bakery.

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**Situation 3:** You are taking a taxi to the city centre. Then suddenly you observe that the taxi driver is over speeding and driving recklessly.

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**Situation 4:** You are staying in a hotel. You want the hotel servant to have your dirty clothes washed.

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**Situation 5:** You missed an important lecture yesterday, and you want to borrow your friend’s notebook.

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**Situation 6:** You are in a lecture theatre at university. The lecturer is about to start. You realize you don’t have a pen. You want to ask your classmate to lend you a pen.

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**Situation 7:** You want your neighbor to give you a lift to the hospital. You want to visit another neighbor who has been in hospital for a while.

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Situation 8: You urgently need some money to buy a very important reference book. You want to borrow this money from a friend.

Situation 9: You want to request the head of the department to let you leave early because you have an appointment with the doctor.

Situation 10: You want the director of your program to write you a recommendation letter.

Situation 11: You want to ask your father to give you some money to buy a new book.

Situation 12: You cannot go to your job the next day because you don’t feel well. You want to ask your manager for one day leave.

Thank you very much