

## Subjective Omnipotence Scale

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How well do the following statements describe you? Rate each statement using the following scale.

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

1. \_\_\_\_ I can easily change my friend's opinions about things.
2. \_\_\_\_ If I were in charge of things, it would be much better.
3. \_\_\_\_ Everyone I know looks to me for leadership.
4. \_\_\_\_ I can take charge of any situation.
5. \_\_\_\_ My opinion is more valued than the opinion of others.
6. \_\_\_\_ My opinion usually influences others.
7. \_\_\_\_ Everyone wants my advice before they do anything.
8. \_\_\_\_ I can easily change people's minds.
9. \_\_\_\_ I can make things work better when I am in control.
10. \_\_\_\_ I influence how people behave.
11. \_\_\_\_ I decide what is cool or not, and others usually agree.
12. \_\_\_\_ I can't do anything without someone trying to imitate me.
13. \_\_\_\_ Others come to me for advice.
14. \_\_\_\_ I would make a great leader because of my abilities.
15. \_\_\_\_ My friends know that I can accomplish just about anything.
16. \_\_\_\_ I am more persuasive than my friends.
17. \_\_\_\_ No one can stop me if I really want to do something.
18. \_\_\_\_ It seems that everything I do turns out great.
19. \_\_\_\_ Other people control my life.

20. \_\_\_\_\_ I think that I am a powerful person.
21. \_\_\_\_\_ I am better than my friends at just about everything.
22. \_\_\_\_\_ I often think that I can do things that no one else can.
23. \_\_\_\_\_ I honestly think that others don't listen to what I have to say.
24. \_\_\_\_\_ Others usually wait to hear my opinion before making a decision.
25. \_\_\_\_\_ I am better than other people my age at just about everything.
26. \_\_\_\_\_ Others look to me to tell them what to do.
27. \_\_\_\_\_ I am always in control.
28. \_\_\_\_\_ I'm the one that usually makes things happen.
29. \_\_\_\_\_ I can control other people's behavior.
30. \_\_\_\_\_ I can influence how people think.

### **Scoring Instructions**

(i.) This measure may be used to compute a global score, which is simply the sum of all items. This measure may also be used to compute sub-scale scores according to the assignments below.

(ii.) Reversed items: 19, 23

(iii.) Subscale Assignment:

Influence: 1, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 24, 26, 29, 30.

Leadership: 3, 4, 9, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 28.

Grandiosity: 21, 22, 23, 25, 27.