

ATG

Please indicate the extent to which you **AGREE** or **DISAGREE** with each statement below.

Base your responses on **HOW WELL DOES EACH STATEMENT BELOW DESCRIBES THE WAY YOU GENERALLY FEEL.**

To indicate your response, rate yourself on the following scale:

1 = DISAGREE Strongly

2 = DISAGREE Somewhat

3 = Not sure

4 = AGREE Somewhat

5 = AGREE Strongly

1. Gossip is a good ice-breaker
2. Rumors are hardly ever true
3. It's fun to talk about other people.
4. It is wrong to talk about others when they aren't around
5. I love to know what is going on in other people's lives.
6. You can't trust gossip
7. I always mind my own business instead of gossiping.
8. You should never mention rumors even if you think they're true
9. Gossiping is a great way to pass the time
10. I have never known gossip to be helpful to anyone.
11. I like to share what I hear about others.
12. Gossip is often true

Scoring the ATG scale

Items 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 10 are reverse scored; simply subtract the respondent's item score from 6.

ATG Social Value (SV) subscale = sum of items 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11

ATG Moral Value (MV) subscale = sum of items 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12