

Appendix B

Vignettes

The full text of the vignettes as it was shown to respondents is here provided.

Below is reported a brief discussion between two people - Ben and David. Please read carefully and then indicate whether you agree with one or the other.

Ben: People often disagree about what truth is. Personally, I think that being truthful means sticking to the facts, regardless of your personal opinions. Opinions, no matter how honest, can be far from the truth. Only an argument that is informed by evidence can be trusted. One should be accurate in what he or she says and refrain from expressing unfounded beliefs.

David: I disagree. To me, being truthful means always saying what you think, no matter the consequences. There is no other "truth" than being sincere and express yourself. Only when people are sincere, they can really be trusted. And being sincere means genuinely expressing your beliefs, even when you don't have enough evidence to support them.

- I entirely agree with Ben
- I agree almost entirely with Ben
- Although I agree more with Ben, I think David makes some good points
- I agree (or disagree) equally with Ben and David
- Although I agree more with David, I think Ben makes some good points
- I agree almost entirely with David.
- I entirely agree with David