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Part I:

Reflect and write 100 or more words about the following prompt:

Based on what you know now, describe the types of people that do science. If possible, refer to specific scientists and what they tell you about the types of people that do science.

One obvious description of those who do science would be intelligent. They are able to solve the world's deepest and most convoluted questions, almost on the fly; they can turn a moldy piece of bread into the most important and life-saving medications (penicillin) or explain why royal dynasties almost always came crashing down (inbreeding). Usually, a scientist is also curious; curiosity towards a particular endeavor is what causes the scientist to search for an answer to said convoluted questions, maybe a question like "Why does this disease only show up in a certain population?" or a problem that was plaguing the world, like COVID-19, or the Ebola Crisis.

Part II:

Choose and write the number that reflects your level of agreement.

"I know of one or more scientists to whom I can personally relate."

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4

Reflect and write 100 or more words about your reflections on this statement and your level of agreement:

I personally don't know any scientists I feel I could relate to, and that's mostly because of the intelligence aspect. To me, I have always loved and respected people with talents I envy or wish I had. One of the major talents that makes me feel this way is intelligence. Oftentimes, I see scientists, or even regular people, able to remember every element on the periodic table, while I struggle to name the first 20, or how scientists master concepts in biology in chemistry that I always struggle with, and I end up negatively comparing myself to what I assume are shining stars above.

Part III:

Choose and write the number that reflects your level of agreement on the following phrases:

"I am interested in learning more about science."

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	2	3	<mark>4</mark>

Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		
1	2	3	<mark>4</mark>		
	"I enjoy learning about science."				
Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree		
1	2	3	<mark>4</mark>		