ECS 188 — Basic Attitudes Regarding Technology and Ethics

Please rate your **personal belief** in each statement according to the following scale:

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1. 0123 Technology has vastly improved the quality of most people's lives.
2. 0123 Technologically-created problems are usually amenable to technological solutions.
3. 0123 Technology itself is value-neutral; it is what people do with the technology that is right/wrong.
4. 0123 It's impossible to accurately predict how a technology will be used, so it makes little sense to try.
5. 0123 Technology is driven primarily by human desires, as expressed through the marketplace.
6. 0123 There's a good chance that human society will collapse as a result of environmental degradation.
7. 0123 There's a good chance that human society will collapse from a man-made disaster (nuclear war, biotech/nanotech accident, etc.)
8. 0123 Because of technological advances, I will probably live longer than my same-gender parent.
9. 0123 I am generally optimistic about our collective future.
10. 0123 The work an engineer does is inherently political.
11. 0123 In making public-policy decisions involving technology, we should rely mostly on the advice of experts.
12. 0123 It is morally acceptable to work at a US national laboratory that designs, modifies, or tests nuclear weapons.
13. 0123 It is morally acceptable to develop software for the guidance system of a US "smart bomb."
14. 0123 It is morally acceptable to work on oil-field exploration/exploitation technology for BP/Chevron/Exxon.
15. 0123 It is morally acceptable to buy from companies (eg, Apple, Nike) that exploit poor workers.
16. 0123 It is morally acceptable to eat beef.
17. 0123 It is morally acceptable for an able-bodied student who lives in Davis to routinely drive to school.
18. 0123 There is no "right" or "wrong" in this world; everything is relative to one's cultural norms or personal beliefs.
19. 0123 Most people behave ethically most of the time.
20. 0123 Most corporations behave ethically most of the time.
21. 0123 It's important to me that my life have a net positive influence on the state of the world.
22. 0123 When considering my future employer, the societal impact of what they do will be a key consideration.
23. 0123 I am morally obligated to following the law even if I don't agree with it.
24. 0123 Educated people tend to behave more ethically than uneducated people.
25. 0123 Major aspects of my moral perspective are unlikely to change at this point in time.