

**Revised Causal Dimension Scale**  
Version Attached: Full Test

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Instrument Type:  
Rating Scale

Test Format:

The Revised Causal Dimension Scale is rated on a 9-point Likert-type scale. The total scores for each dimension are obtained by summing the items, as follows: 1,6,9 = locus of causality; 5, 8, 12 = external control; 3, 7, 11 = stability; 2, 4, 10 = personal control.

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CDS II**

Items

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Instructions: Think about the reason or reasons you have written above. The items below concern your impressions or opinions of this cause or causes of your performance. Circle one number for each of the following questions.

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Is the cause(s) something:

1. That reflects an aspect of yourself	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	reflects an aspect of the situation
2. Manageable by you	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	not manageable by you
3. Permanent	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	temporary
4. You can regulate	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	you cannot regulate
5. Over which others have control	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	over which others have no control
6. Inside of you	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	outside of you
7. Stable over time	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	variable over time
8. Under the power of other people	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	not under the power of other people
9. Something about you	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	something about others
10. Over which you have power	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	over which you have no power
11. Unchangeable	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	changeable
12. Other people can regulate	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	other people cannot regulate

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