

## Short Grit Scale

*Directions for taking the Grit Scale: Please respond to the following 8 items. Be honest – there are no right or wrong answers!*

1. New ideas and projects sometimes distract me from previous ones.\*
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all
  
2. Setbacks don't discourage me.
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all
  
3. I have been obsessed with a certain idea or project for a short time but later lost interest.\*
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all
  
4. I am a hard worker.
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all
  
5. I often set a goal but later choose to pursue a different one.\*
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all
  
6. I have difficulty maintaining my focus on projects that take more than a few months to complete.\*
  - Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all

7. I finish whatever I begin.
- Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all

8. I am diligent.
- Very much like me
  - Mostly like me
  - Somewhat like me
  - Not much like me
  - Not like me at all

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Scoring:

1. For questions 2, 4, 7 and 8 assign the following points:
  - 5 = Very much like me
  - 4 = Mostly like me
  - 3 = Somewhat like me
  - 2 = Not much like me
  - 1 = Not like me at all
  
2. For questions 1, 3, 5 and 6 assign the following points:
  - 1 = Very much like me
  - 2 = Mostly like me
  - 3 = Somewhat like me
  - 4 = Not much like me
  - 5 = Not like me at all

Add up all the points and divide by 8. The maximum score on this scale is 5 (extremely gritty), and the lowest score on this scale is 1 (not at all gritty).

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**Grit Scale citation**

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