

**The NFCS
short version**

The NFCS short version (15 items) was developed by Webster and Kruglanski (1994), and was further revised by Pierro (2005 unpublished). Below is the updated version of the short NFCS published by Roets and Van Hiel (2011). **When reporting results the two published scales should be referenced.**

Webster, D. M., & Kruglanski, A. W. (1994). Individual differences in need for cognitive closure. *Journal of Personality and Social Psychology*, 67(6), 1049–1062.

Pierro, A., & Kruglanski, A.W. (2005). *Revised need for cognitive closure scale*. (Unpublished manuscript). Università di Roma, “La Sapienza”, Rome.

Roets, A., & Van Hiel, A. (2011). Item selection and validation of a brief, 15-item version of the Need for Closure Scale. *Personality and Individual Differences*, 50(1), 90-94.

Read each of the following statements and decide how much you agree with each according to your beliefs and experiences. Please respond according to the following scale:

1 = Strongly disagree

4 = Slightly agree

2 = Moderately disagree

5 = Moderately agree

3 = Slightly disagree

6 = Strongly agree

1	I don't like situations that are uncertain.	1	2	3	4	5	6
2	I dislike questions which could be answered in many different ways.	1	2	3	4	5	6
3	I find that a well ordered life with regular hours suits my temperament.	1	2	3	4	5	6
4	I feel uncomfortable when I don't understand the reason why an event occurred in my life.	1	2	3	4	5	6
5	I feel irritated when one person disagrees with what everyone else in a group believes.	1	2	3	4	5	6
6	I don't like to go into a situation without knowing what I can expect from it.	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	When I have made a decision, I feel relieved	1	2	3	4	5	6
8	When I am confronted with a problem, I'm dying to reach a solution very quickly.	1	2	3	4	5	6
9	I would quickly become impatient and irritated if I would not find a solution to a problem immediately.	1	2	3	4	5	6
10	I don't like to be with people who are capable of unexpected actions.	1	2	3	4	5	6
11	I dislike it when a person's statement could mean many different things.	1	2	3	4	5	6
12	I find that establishing a consistent routine enables me to enjoy life more.	1	2	3	4	5	6
13	I enjoy having a clear and structured mode of life.	1	2	3	4	5	6
14	I do not usually consult many different opinions before forming my own view.	1	2	3	4	5	6
15	I dislike unpredictable situations.	1	2	3	4	5	6

Scoring Note

Scores up to 30 mean low NFC. Scores between 75-90 mean high NFC.

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