Q Sort on Oregon's Water Future

Overview:

This Q sorting exercise will be conducted using the online tool Q-Perspectives[®]. You will be sorting statements about water in order to operationalize your own viewpoint of what is most important to YOU about Oregon's water future. You will sort each statement about Oregon's water future based on how well that statement fits what is most important for YOU.

Tech Tips:

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You will complete the activity in 3 stages:

- 1. STAGE 1: Go with Your Gut. Quickly sort each statement card into 3 general piles of agree, disagree, and neutral.
- 2. STAGE 2: Think it Through. Sort each statement onto a more detailed grid which is a continuum from most agree to most disagree.
- **3. STAGE 3: Explain.** Explain in more detail what you think about any of the statements.

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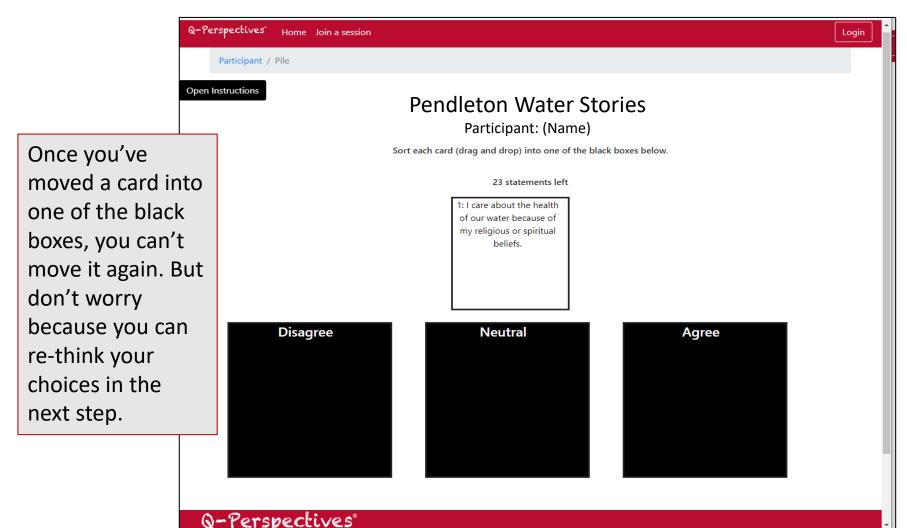
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STAGE 1: Go with Your Gut

Quickly read each statement one at a time. Drag and drop each statement card into one of the 3 black boxes based on how it answers the question:

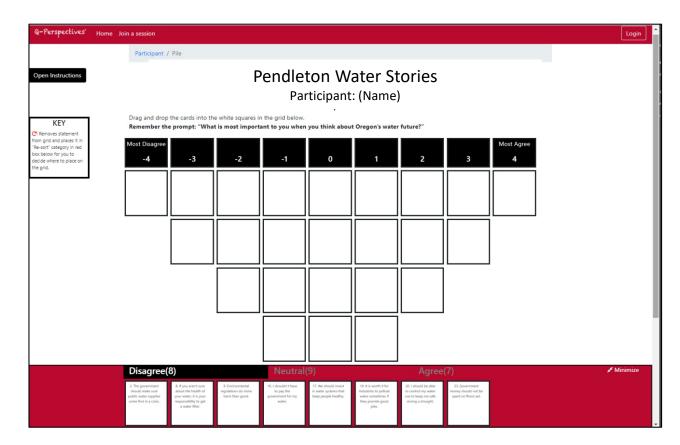
What is most important to YOU when you think about Oregon's water future?

(You must have at least one card in each of the 3 black boxes.)



STAGE 2: Think it Through

In this stage you will place each statement into one of the boxes on a grid that ranges from Most Disagree to Most Agree based on the prompt: **What is most important to you when you think about Oregon's water future?** With this grid you are ranking the statements in relation to each other. For example, even if you find you agree with all of the statements, this step allows you to indicate how strongly you feel about each one. Values are the same within each column, and change as you move across rows. *Remember there are no right or wrong answers.*



STAGE 2: Think it Through

The statement cards will be organized according to the way you sorted them in STAGE 1: by disagree, neutral, and agree. However, you can now place any card in any position.

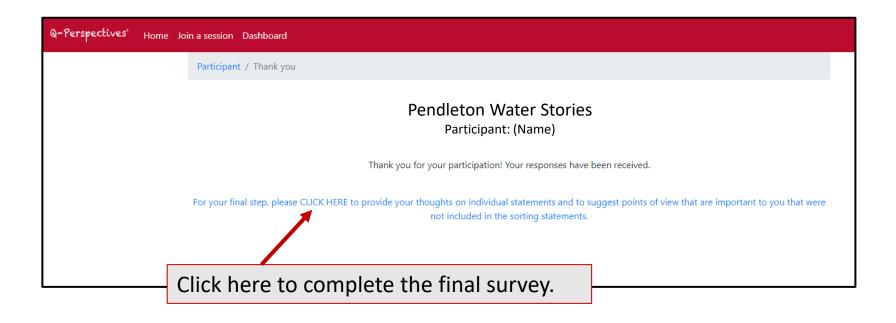
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STAGE 2: Think it Through

When you are satisfied with your sort, click the red "I'm Done!" button which will appear after all statements are sorted into the grid. If you need to re-sort any statement, click on the lower left corner of the statement card.

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3	2 1	Pendleton Water Stories Participant: (Name) op the cards into the white squares in the grid below. the prompt: "What is most important to you when you think about Oregon's water future?"									
1	Most Disagree	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	Most Agree 4		
	3. The government should make sure public water supplies come c first in a crisis.	8. If you aren't sure about the health of your water, it is your responsibility to get a water filter.	17. We should invest in water systems that keep people healthy.	1. I care about the health of our water because of my religious or spiritual beliefs.	23. Government money should not be spent on flood aid.	21. A good use of rivers is having large dams to create electricity.	18. Businesses need to focus on keeping river systems clean for the good of all.	13. Tribal nations have sovereign rights to protect the health of rivers.	 It's okay to limit public comment for stream restoration projects if it keeps costs 		
		16. I shouldn't have to pay the government for my water.	19. It is worth it for industries to pollute water sometimes if they provide good jobs.	4. The impacts of climate change on access to water for all people concerns me.	9. Environmental regulations do more harm than good.	12. Having reliable access to clean water is worth paying for.	22. We should make sure water is affordable for everyone.	24. We should save money by making current water systems better instead of building new ones.			
			20. I should be able to control my water use to keep me safe during a drought.	6. Cities should invest in better infrastructure to keep all homes safe during floods.	5. Landowners are capable of keeping water healthy on their own land.	10. It is more important to protect water for farmers than for fish.	14. Cities should raise taxes to protect their water safety.				
				11. Private owners are better at regulating fishing than the government.	2. Lakes should be maintained in their natural state for the good of all.	7. All people, no matter their income, should have equal access to drinking water.					

STAGE 3: Explain You will have the opportunity to provide your thoughts on individual statements and to suggest points of view that are important to you and not covered in the Q-sort.



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