

ASSESSMENT OF SUBJECTIVE WELL-BEING IN ORANGUTANS

This questionnaire has four questions, all relating to the subjective well-being of the orangutans at your zoo. Each question asks about a different personality dimension or trait relating to subjective well-being. The following scale should be used to make your ratings.

- 1. Displays either total absence or negligible amounts of the trait or state.**
- 2. Displays small amounts of the trait on infrequent occasions.**
- 3. Displays somewhat less than average amounts of the trait.**
- 4. Displays about average amounts of the trait.**
- 5. Displays somewhat greater than average amounts of the trait.**
- 6. Displays considerable amounts of the trait on frequent occasions.**
- 7. Displays extremely large amounts of the trait.**

Please give a rating for each item even if your judgment seems to be based on a purely subjective impression of the orangutan and you are somewhat unsure about it. Indicate your rating by placing a cross in the box underneath the chosen number. ☐

Finally, do not discuss your rating of any particular orangutan with anyone else. As explained in the handout accompanying this questionnaire, this restriction is necessary in order to obtain valid reliability coefficients for the traits.

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Orangutan's full name: _____

Rater's full name: _____

How long have you known the orangutan?

Years: _____

Months: _____

Date (Mon/Day/Yr): _____

Estimate the amount of time the orangutan is happy, contented, enjoying itself, or otherwise in a positive mood. Assume that at other times the orangutan is unhappy, bored, frightened, or otherwise in a negative mood.

least

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most

Estimate the extent to which social interactions with other orangutans are satisfying, enjoyable experiences as opposed to being a source of fright, distress, frustration, or some other negative experience. It is not the number of social interactions that should be estimated, but the extent to which social interactions that do occur are a positive experience for the orangutan. Use as many social interactions that you can recall as a basis for your judgment.

least

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most

Estimate, for this orangutan, the extent to which it is effective or successful in achieving its goals or wishes. Examples of goals would be achieving desired locations, devices, or materials in the enclosure. Keep in mind that each orangutan will presumably have its own set of goals that may be different from other orangutans.

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Imagine how happy you would be if you were that orangutan for a week. You would be exactly like that orangutan. You would behave the same way as that orangutan, would perceive the world the same way as that orangutan, and would feel things the same way as that orangutan.

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