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MAT 115

5 questions

1. Do you see your family or close friends at least twice a week?
   1. We can ask this question to understand family dynamics in Newport
   2. Physical closeness may be an important factor in determining people’s sense of belonging
2. Do you feel safe in your community?
   1. Instead of asking “what makes people feel safe”, we can simply ask them a yes or no question.
   2. This will reveal a basic answer. It will be interesting to see how many people feel safe versus unsafe.
3. Do you consider your interactions with others in the community as positive, negative, or neutral?
   1. This could have a huge impact on people’s sense of safety and belonging
   2. If people are constantly having negative interactions with others, they will likely feel less “loved” by the community, thus feel a lower sense of security and belonging.
4. Do you have a strong sense of belonging with your community, yes or no?
   1. This ties in with question number 3.
   2. If people feel as if they belong, they will likely be more willing to make improvements to their community.
5. Do you consider yourself an outsider or an insider in the West Side?
   1. Some people may have been more there but feel no connection to the area.
   2. Others may be transplants from other regions and have a different view of the West Side (ex. Monica moved into Newport but really loves the community)