## CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2015 PROJECT SUMMARY

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## Project Number

J0410

## Project Title

## Do You Agree?

## Objectives/Goals

Abstract
The idea for our conformity experiment sparked one day at school when we began to notice that during a class vote, many people changed their vote to fit the majority. We wondered as to whether this was more prevalent in a specific age group and assessed this concept by asking the question, \#Which age group has the highest rate of conformity?\#
Methods/Materials
MATERIALS
1 Journal
35 Papers
2 Pencils
35 Adult Test Subjects
40 Teenage Test Subjects 40 Kid Test Subjects
5 Whiteboard Markers
50 Pieces of Chocolate/Candy (variety of types) 1 Whiteboard
1 Roll of Tape
4 Sets of Quizzes/Questions
1 A,B,C Line Diagram
4 Lines
3 Lists of Groups
We tested three different age groups, adults ages eighteen and up, teenagers ages twelve to fourteen, and children ages three to six. We used a different procedure for each group, and tested thirty five adults, forty teenagers, and forty children.

## Results

Both teenagers and children had the same rate of conformity, which was 37.5 percent.
Conclusions/Discussion
Both children and teenagers conformed the same amount. This proved our hypothesis half correct. Also, the adults seemed to conform less than both the children, teenagers, and Asch's results.

## Summary Statement

For our project we studied the human concept of conformity, the tendency to change ones behaviors and thoughts based on that of a majority in three age groups, children, teenagers, and adults.

## Help Received

Mrs. Joseph, science teacher,call owed us to use her classroom to conduct the experiments.

