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NOTE

1. Subjects in the happy and neutral groups did not reliably differ on the DACL manipulation check. We used the DACL to be consistent with previous research. However, future studies that include positive affect should probably be carried out with a test designed to measure the existence, rather than the absence, of positive affect. Such an approach would obviate the potential for floor effects that occurs when one uses the DACL to compare happy and neutral states.

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