International Situations Project Translation

**Life-Orientation Test (LOT-R)** – 6 items

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| Original English | Translation (Dutch) |
| 1. In uncertain times, I usually expect the best.
 | 1. In onzekere tijden verwacht ik meestal het beste.
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| 1. If something can go wrong for me, it will.\*
 | 1. Als er iets fout kan gaan bij mij, zal dit ook zeker gebeuren.
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| 1. I'm always optimistic about my future.
 | 1. Ik ben altijd optimistisch over mijn toekomst.
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| 1. I hardly ever expect things to go my way.\*
 | 1. Ik verwacht bijna nooit dat dingen op mijn manier zullen verlopen.
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| 1. I rarely count on good things happening to me.\*
 | 1. Ik ga er zelden van uit dat mij goede dingen zullen overkomen.
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| 1. Overall, I expect more good things to happen to me than bad.
 | 1. Over het algemeen verwacht ik dat mij meer goede dan slechte dingen zullen overkomen.
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 \* *items are reverse coded*

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