Questions About Your Understanding of Family Violence

Here are some statements about how parents react to their children. Check off whether you agree or disagree with these statements by checking Yes or No. There are no wrong answers. We will then discuss your answers.

- Parents who hit their children are “crazy.” Yes No
- Alcohol causes parents to beat their children. Yes No
- Only poor children get beaten. Yes No
- Children do things that make their parents angry, so they deserve to be hit. Yes No
- Children need to be beaten to help them learn how to behave properly. Yes No
- If children really didn’t want to be hit, they would tell the adult to stop, or they would tell another adult. Yes No
- Parents who beat their children are a danger to others in the community. Yes No

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