

# Chapter 5: Variables and Manipulation

## Exercises

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### Exercise 1

- a. Using the VF `England.csv` dataset, re-label the values of `voter2017_dum` to:
  - "Winner" as "Conservative Vote"
  - "Loser" as "Not Conservative Vote"
  - NA as "Did Not Vote"
- b. What is the level of measurement of this recoded version of `voter2017_dum`?

### Exercise 2

- a. What is the level of measurement of `vfalter`?
- b. Re-arrange the values of `vfalter` (responses for the survey question ‘there’s enough voter fraud to alter election outcomes’) to be ordered from “Strongly disagree” to “Strongly agree”.
- c. What is the level of measurement of this recoded version of `vfalter`?

### Exercise 3

Recode the variable from Exercise #2 to create a dummy variable, where all the “agree” values equal “Agree”, all the “disagree” values equal “Disagree”, and the “Neither agree nor disagree” value is set to missing (i.e., NA).

### Exercise 4

Using the `simd2020.csv` data, convert the variable `DEPRESS` into a percentage (i.e., out of 100) and save as a new variable named `pct_depress`.

### Exercise 5

Collapse the variable `pct_depress` (created in Exercise #4) into 3 categories:

- 0-10: "Low"
- 11-20: "Medium"
- Greater than 20: "High"

For the answers see **Chapter 5 - Answers to Exercises**.