The Study

Instructions: Please read the following paragraph carefully and answer the questions below.

You wake up one October morning and find yourself back to back in bed with a famous unconscious violinist. The violinist has a fatal kidney ailment, and the available medical records reveal that only you have the right blood type to help. Last night, the violinist’s circulatory system was plugged into yours, so that your kidneys could be used to extract poisons from the violinist’s blood as well as your own blood. The director of the hospital then tells you, “Now that the violinist is plugged into you, to unplug you would be to kill the violinist. But it’s only for three-quarters of a year. By June, the violinist will have recovered from the ailment, and can safely be unplugged from you.”

• Will you remain connected to the violinist?
  Definitely yes  Probably yes  Maybe  Probably not  Definitely not

• Are you morally *obliged* to remain connected to the violinist?
  Definitely yes  Probably yes  Maybe  Probably not  Definitely not

• In thinking about how you arrived at your answers to the first two questions, did you think about the quality or character of your relationship with the violinist?
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• In thinking about how you arrived at your answers for the first two questions, did you think about the rights and privileges you and other people have when it comes to your body?
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You wake up one October morning and find yourself back to back in bed with your half-sibling. Your half-sibling has a fatal kidney ailment, and the available medical records reveal that only you have the right blood type to help. Last night, your half-sibling’s circulatory system was plugged into yours, so that your kidneys could be used to extract poisons from your half-sibling’s blood as well as your own blood. The director of the hospital then tells you, “Now that your half-sibling is plugged into you, to unplug you would be to kill your half-sibling. But it’s only for three-quarters of a year. By June, your half-sibling will have recovered from the ailment, and can safely be unplugged from you.”

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Instructions: Please answer each of the following questions with a few sentences.

• In the previous questions, did the character of the relationships between the two people make a difference when you were thinking about your answers? Why or why not?

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• In the previous questions, did concerns about the rights to others’ bodies and to one’s own body make a difference when you were thinking about your answers? Why or why not?

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Instructions: Please respond to the following questions.

What is your age?  
- 14-17  
- 18-24  
- 25-34  
- 35-44  
- 45-54  
- 55+

What is your gender?  
- Male  
- Female

What is your nationality?

Are you in a long-term relationship?  
- Yes  
- No

Are you or have you ever been primarily responsible for the care of a child, parent, or other dependent person?  
- Yes  
- No

Do you have children?  
- Yes  
- No
  If “yes,” how many?  

What level of education did your parents attain?
What level of education have you attained?

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Have you taken any philosophy courses?  
Yes  
No

If “yes,” how many?________

• What is your view on abortion?

(a) Abortion is always morally permissible.

(b) Abortion is never morally permissible.

(c) Whether or not abortion is morally permissible depends on the case.

(d) I don’t have a considered view on abortion.

• Do you think your answers throughout this survey have reflected your view on abortion?

Yes  
No
• In a few sentences, please explain why you think your responses to the various cases on the survey did or did not reflect your view on abortion.