S8 Fig. Survey responses for questions regarding negative marking (NM).

- Having to choose just one answer in NM feels very risky: 33% strongly disagree, 7% disagree, 16% neutral, 15% agree, 7% strongly agree.
- Being able to choose just one answer in NM feels very safe: 45% strongly disagree, 16% disagree, 34% neutral, 15% agree, 6% strongly agree.
- There is a high chance of getting answers right in NM: 44% strongly disagree, 34% disagree, 15% neutral, 10% agree, 7% strongly agree.
- In NM I get distracted by thinking about the best tactics for getting a high mark: 54% strongly disagree, 15% disagree, 10% neutral, 23% agree, 6% strongly agree.
- NM makes you think more about your answers: 19% strongly disagree, 23% disagree, 31% neutral, 19% agree, 31% strongly agree.
- It makes me feel more relaxed, knowing that I can get a reasonable mark: 47% strongly disagree, 29% disagree, 31% neutral, 24% agree, 24% strongly agree.
- In NM I can answer conservatively by hedging my bets: 35% strongly disagree, 31% disagree, 31% neutral, 35% agree, 35% strongly agree.
- With NM it is a fair test: 22% strongly disagree, 31% disagree, 31% neutral, 47% agree, 22% strongly agree.
- Loosing marks for guessing in NM detracts from the legitimate marks for knowing the right answers to some questions: 18% strongly disagree, 8% disagree, 31% neutral, 18% agree, 74% strongly agree.
- NM enhanced my critical thinking skills: 29% strongly disagree, 31% disagree, 31% neutral, 29% agree, 40% strongly agree.
- NM made me feel motivated: 43% strongly disagree, 36% disagree, 36% neutral, 21% agree, 21% strongly agree.
- My stress levels are high with NM: 15% strongly disagree, 23% disagree, 23% neutral, 62% agree, 62% strongly agree.
- With NM, there is no reward for random guessing: 19% strongly disagree, 26% disagree, 26% neutral, 26% agree, 56% strongly agree.