Longitudinal Structural Equation Modeling by Todd D. Little Chapter 6 Reading Questions

- 1. This stage of invariance testing has the measurement model fit across multiple groups, but no equality constraints are applied.
 - A. Configural
 - B. Weak
 - C. Strong
 - D. Strict
- 2. This stage of invariance testing applies equality constraints to the item loadings across all groups.
 - A. Configural
 - B. Weak
 - C. Strong
 - D. Strict
- 3. This stage of invariance testing applies equality constraints to the item intercepts across all groups.
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 - B. Weak
 - C. Strong
 - D. Strict
- 4. Which of these is a recommended way of evaluating weak and strong invariance?
 - A. A significant χ^2 difference test.
 - B. A non-significant χ^2 difference test.
 - C. A change in RMSEA of less than .05.
 - D. A change in CFI of less than .01.
- 5. When comparing a model with latent means constrained to be equal with the unconstrained Strong model, what does a significant χ^2 difference test result indicate?
 - A. The measured means are significantly higher than the latent means.
 - B. The latent means are significantly higher than the measured means.
 - C. None of the latent means are significantly different between groups.
 - D. At least one latent mean is significantly different between groups.
- 6. What should be done if invariance fails?
 - A. Remove the item that is causing an issue.
 - B. Continue on to latent parameter testing.
 - C. Relax constraint on the item causing an issue to establish partial invariance.
 - D. Re-evaluate theoretical model.
- 7. What level of invariance is **REQUIRED** to evaluate differences in latent variances and covariances?
 - A. Configural
 - B. Weak
 - C. Strong

- D. Strict
- 8. What level of invariance is **REQUIRED** to evaluate differences in latent means?
 - A. Configural
 - B. Weak
 - C. Strong
 - D. Strict
- 9. Which of these is true about Effect Sizes?
 - A. Manifest-variable effect sizes are always larger than latent-variable effect sizes.
 - B. Latent-variable effect sizes are always larger than manifest-variable effect sizes.
 - C. Both latent-variable and manifest-variable effect sizes should be the same.
 - D. It's impossible to know before-hand which effect size will be larger.
- 10. When should a parameter listed in the modification index be included in the model?
 - A. When the modification index is small.
 - B. When the modification index is large.
 - C. When it makes theoretical sense.
 - D. When it would improve model fit.