442 Chapter 9 The Mathematics of Description

Alternative Energy You work for a research company. You want to determine whether U.S. adults support more funding for alternative energy. In Exercises 13–15, use the *Sample Size Calculator* at *Math.andYou.com*. (*See Example 5.*)

- **13.** Choose a 95% confidence level and a 3% margin of error. How many people should you survey to obtain reliable results?
- **14.** Repeat Exercise 13 using a 99% confidence level. Compare the sample sizes. What happens when the confidence level increases? Explain.
- **15.** Repeat Exercise 13 choosing a 5% margin of error. Compare the sample sizes. What happens when the margin of error increases? Explain.



Biased Questions In Exercises 16–18, determine which question might produce biased results. Explain. (*See Example 6.*)

16.	a. Do you think solar panels should be installed at city hall using taxpayer money?
	Ves No
	b. Do you agree with most of your neighbors that it is a waste of taxpayer money to install solar panels at city hall?
	Agree Disagree
17.	
17.	a. Do you agree that the unfair policy of requiring students to do a time-consuming community service project should be changed?
	Agree Disagree
	b. Do you think the policy of requiring students to do a community service project should be kept?
	Ves No
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18.	a. Do you think people should recycle phone books?
	Ves No
	b. Do you think people should recycle old, out-of-date phone books?
	Ves No

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