Experts vs. Lay People: Discussing the Differences

I.
   a. What do you think about the quality of decisions that lay people make about risks?

   b. What do you think about the quality of decisions experts make about risks? Is either group more right or more wrong?

II.
   a. Should values and nonscientific judgments be considered in making decisions about risks?

   b. Do you think that people who use value judgments to make decisions about risks still want to know about scientific data concerning risks?

III.
   a. If an expert and a lay person were presented with the same information about a risk, do you think that they would make the same decision about how to manage the risk?

   b. How do you think public policy decisions about how to manage risks should be made?