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Le Travail: Problems with Tipping

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Abstract — *In this presentation, I will explore my own opinions and point of view concerning tipping in the U.S. through a poster board.*

I. INTRODUCTION

This system is outdated and discriminatory. It benefits owners and operators within the service industry while taking advantage of the very people it's success is dependent upon: servers and customers.

II. FINDINGS

Tipping should be optional and servers should be paid a living wage for their work by the company that employ's them. My research found that the percentage of the bill left in a tip is generally unaffected by quality of service and servers of color are tipped less on average, across the board. The research I cite are from different psychology studies, one a controlled environment with an independent variable and one a survey. I also speak on my personal experience within the industry.