

GLIP ALH1 Assignment

Topic : *Strange answers to the psychopath test*
Speaker : *Jon Ronson*



Why did I choose this topic?

When I was a high school student, I used to play psychopath test with my friends for fun. It was really interesting because we could reveal our characteristics that we didn't know. I also found the lesson that we talked about "Are We Born Evil?" interesting and I thought that this topic relates to the TED talk. I thought making fun activity is easier than other topic and that is one of the reasons that I chose this TED talk.



Vocabulary Development

From LONGMAN

○ *malingering* [noun]

Definition: to avoid work by pretending to be ill

Example Sentence: I think it's actually quite rare to have both malingering and generalized anxiety disorder, because malingering tends to make me feel very anxious.

○ *psychiatry* [noun]

Definition: The study and treatment of mental illnesses

Example Sentence: Psychiatry profession has a kind of strange desire to label what's essentially normal human behavior as a mental disorder.

○ *glib* [adjective]

Definition: said easily and without thinking about all the problems involved

Example Sentence: I know this will sound glib, but don't pretend you aren't feeling what you feel.

○ *grandiose* [adjective]

Definition: Very important or impressive, but are not practical

Example Sentence: classic psychopath — speaks to items one and two on the checklist: glibness, superficial charm and grandiose sense of self-worth.

○ *anomaly* [noun]

Definition: Something that is noticeable because it is different from what is usual

Example Sentence: But on one such mission they came across a startling anomaly.

○ *intrigue* [verb]

Definition: Interests a person a lot because it seems strange or mysterious

Example Sentence: He looked intrigued despite himself, and he said, "Okay, go on."

Grammar Development

○ *Diagnose oneself with* _____

diagnose yourself with a mental disorder



QUESTIONS

Q1. Why Tony was in Broadmoor hospital, where serious killers are sent?

Q2. What is on the checklist of psychopath?

Q3. How does Hare describe about the reason of figure rises to four percent of CEOs and business leaders compared to regular people?

Q4. What did the speaker notice after he talked with Al Dunlap?

Q5. What happened to Tony in the end?

Q6. How does the speaker describe "gray area"?





FUN ACTIVITY



Here are some psychopath test!
(From Psychopath Test in Japan)

Q1. When I came home after work, my cat was gone. What caused it to disappear?

- 1: It escaped through the window.
- 2: A thief stole it.
- 3: It is actually hiding.
- 4: The cat was never there in the first place.



Q2. You have found an abandoned cat. However, you cannot keep it because your house prohibits pets. What will you do then?

- 1: You can take it home and buy it.
- 2: Feed it for now.
- 3: Find a foster home
- 4: Deliver it to the police.

Q3. Your husband dies of illness and you fall in love at first sight with his colleague who visited you during the funeral.

That night you murdered your own child. What are the reasons?

- 1: Your child got in the way of your new love.
- 2: Because you would see the man again at the child's funeral.
- 3: Because the man did not like children.





ANSWERS



A1.

Those who chose 1... "ordinary person"

You have ordinal personality.

You are a normal person in the good sense of the word, with no apparent psychopathic elements. However, it is difficult to remain normal, so you never know when you will see your psychopathic side.

Those who chose 2... "The buck passer type"

You have 70% psychopathic element.

When you get into trouble, you tend to shift the blame to others and to be self-protective.

You are a smart person, so you have the potential to be very successful if you change the situations in which you use your head.

Those who chose 3, you are... "The skeptic type"

You have 95% psychopathic elements.

Even if you are smiling and laughing on the surface, you are paranoid that others may have a negative image of you.

Those who chose 4... "contrary type"

The psychopathic element is low at 35%.

You are a cynical person who cannot honestly believe what others say.

You are a cynical person who does not believe what others say.





A2.

Those who chose 1 ... "person who prioritizes emotions."

The psychopathic element is 35%. You have a kind and caring nature.

However, you are so concerned about your feelings that you lack consideration for others and social skills...Therefore, your words and actions may have a negative effect on you at times.

Those who chose 2 ... "person who lacks a sense of responsibility"

The psychopathic element is 70%. You seem to act according to your moods and impulses.

Those who chose 3 ... "person who can read between the lines"

The psychopathic element is 10%. You seem to be able to come to terms with your emotions and their impact on those around you.

You have a subconscious desire not to be disliked, so you act with the understanding of the situation.

Those who chose 4 ... "person who cannot predict the future"

The psychopathic element is 95%. You act on impulse and do not seem to consider the impact of your actions on the surroundings.

Your ability to predict the future is low. Since you have no malicious intent, you may be attacked by others unexpectedly.

A3.

Those who chose 1 ... Psychopathic element 20%!

This is a good and general answer. However, be aware that self-centered thinking is one of the psychological traits of psychopaths.

Those who chose 2 ... Psychopathic element 90%!

You would fit the psychological trait of psychopaths that their interpretations and ideas of right and wrong themselves are different from those of others.

The fact that you choose no means to an end is enough to make you a psychopath.

Those who chose 3 ... 10% psychopathic element!

You are able to sympathize and agree with others, and you have a low psychopathic element.



ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS

A1. This is because he decided to fake madness to get out of a prison sentence, however, he faked so well that nobody believe he's sane.

A2. Faking madness is exactly the kind of cunning and manipulative act of a psychopath. So, faking your brain going wrong is evidence that your brain has gone wrong.

A3. It is because capitalism at its most ruthless rewards psychopathic behavior - the lack of empathy, the glibness, cunning, manipulative. In fact, capitalism, perhaps at its most remorseless, is a physical manifestation of psychopathy. It's like a form of psychopathy that's come down to affect us all.

A4. He realized that becoming a psychopath spotter had kind of turned him a little bit psychopathic. Because he was desperate to shove Al Dunlap in a box marked "Psychopath." he was desperate to define Al Dunlap by maddest edges.

A5. He was let go after 14 years in Broadmoor. After 20 months, he did go back to jail for a month. He got into a "fracas" in a bar, he called it. Ended up going to jail for a month

A6. It is where we find the complexity, humanity and the truth.