

Machiavellianism Test

PATIENT INFORMATION

Date: _____ dd / mm / yyyy Name: _____

Gender: _____ Sex: _____

Relevant observations or medical history (if needed)

INSTRUCTIONS

Indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement by selecting a number on the 5-point scale below (1 = Strongly disagree, 5 = Strongly agree).

QUESTIONNAIRE (ITEMS 1-10)

1. Never tell anyone the real reason you did something unless it is useful to do so.

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2. The best way to handle people is to tell them what they want to hear.

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3. One should take action only when sure it is morally right.

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4. Most people are basically good and kind.

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5. It is safest to assume that all people have a vicious streak, and it will come out when they are given a chance.

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6. Honesty is the best policy in all cases.

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7. There is no excuse for lying to someone else.

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8. Generally speaking, people won't work hard unless they're forced to do so.

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9. All in all, it is better to be humble and honest than to be important and dishonest.

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10. When you ask someone to do something for you, it is best to give the real reasons for wanting it rather than giving reasons which carry more weight.

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QUESTIONNAIRE (ITEMS 11-20)

11. Most people who get ahead in the world lead clean, moral lives.

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12. Anyone who completely trusts anyone else is asking for trouble.

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13. The biggest difference between most criminals and other people is that the criminals are stupid enough to get caught.

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14. Most people are brave.

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15. It is wise to flatter important people.

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16. It is possible to be good in all respects.

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17. P.T. Barnum was wrong when he said that there's a sucker born every minute.

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18. It is hard to get ahead without cutting corners here and there.

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19. People suffering from incurable diseases should have the choice of being put painlessly to death.

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20. Most people forget more easily the death of their parents than the loss of their property.

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SCORING AND INTERPRETATION

Total score: _____

Interpretation: The higher the score, the stronger the Machiavellian tendencies.

Additional notes

CLINICIAN SIGN-OFF

Clinician Signature

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