



## SAMPLE REPORT

### Case Description: Adrian H. — Seminary Students Interpretive Report

Adrian H., age 23, is applying to a Catholic university seminary program. He graduated from a four-year college with a major in business administration. After college, he worked for six months as an intern in the marketing department of a large corporation. He served six months with Americorps in Chicago, teaching young children English.

His application and initial interview for the seminary program indicated that his college years were somewhat uneven. He attended a state university for a year and a half before he was expelled for drinking and partying on campus. He then transferred to a community college, where he obtained an associate's degree. He completed a bachelor's degree at a state college (overall GPA 2.9 on a 4.0 scale).

In the initial selection interview for the seminary, he appeared to be somewhat evasive and vague about his goals. However, he did say that he has always wanted to be a priest. When asked by the interviewer about the circumstances that led to his expulsion, he said, "That was the way I was in college and I regret those things. But now I have a new life plan."

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## Seminary Students Interpretive Report

MMPI®-2

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Name: Adrian H.  
ID Number: 2537  
Age: 23  
Gender: Male  
Years of Education: 16  
Date Assessed: 1/31/14

### Standard Level Addiction Potential



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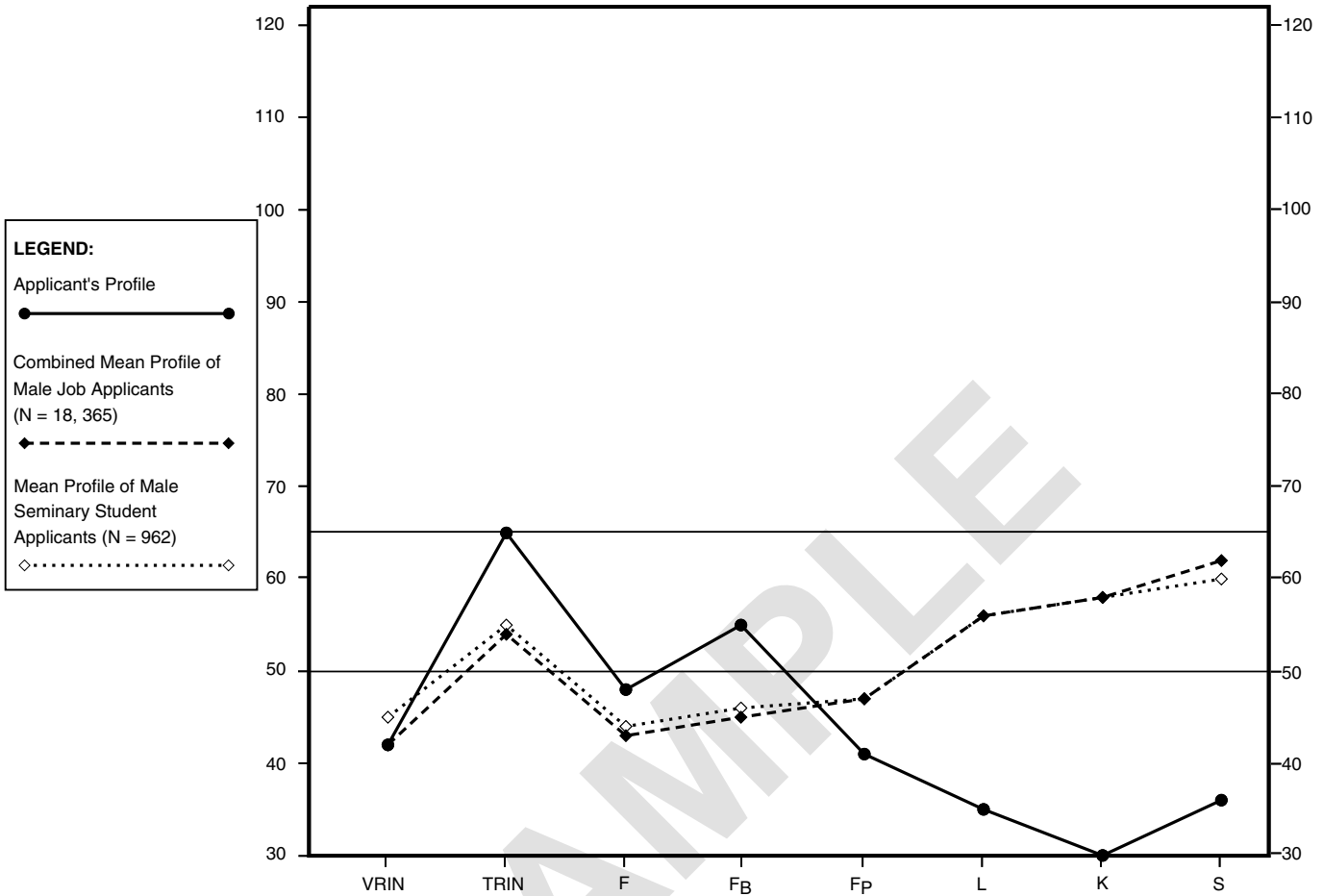
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### MMPI-2 VALIDITY PATTERN



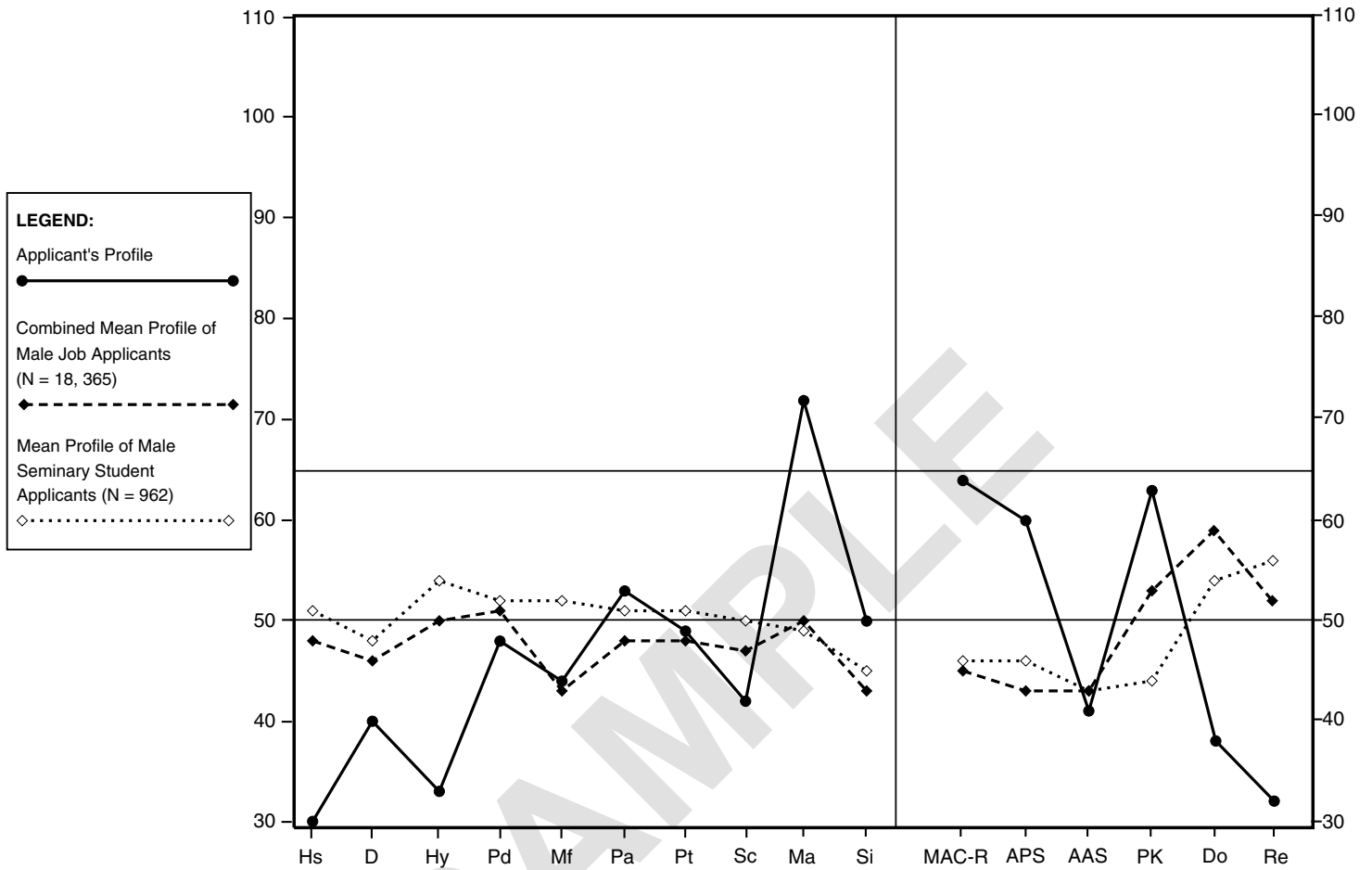
General Applicant								
Sample Mean Score:	42	54	43	45	47	56	58	62
Seminary Student								
Sample Mean Score:	45	55	44	46	47	56	58	60

<b>Applicant's Raw Score:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Applicant's T Score:</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>65T</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>36</b>
Non-Gendered T Score:	42	65T	50	55	42	34	30	36
Response %:	100	100	100	100	96	100	100	98

Cannot Say (Raw): 6  
Percent True: 57  
Percent False: 43

	Raw Score	T Score	Resp. %
S1 -Beliefs in Human Goodness	2	36	100
S2 -Serenity	6	50	100
S3 -Contentment with Life	2	40	100
S4 -Patience/Denial of Irritability	2	40	100
S5 -Denial of Moral Flaws	1	36	80

### MMPI-2 CLINICAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY SCALES PROFILE



General Applicant																
Sample Mean Score:	48	46	50	51	43	48	48	47	50	43	45	43	43	53	59	52
Seminary Student																
Sample Mean Score:	51	48	54	52	52	51	51	50	49	45	46	46	43	44	54	56

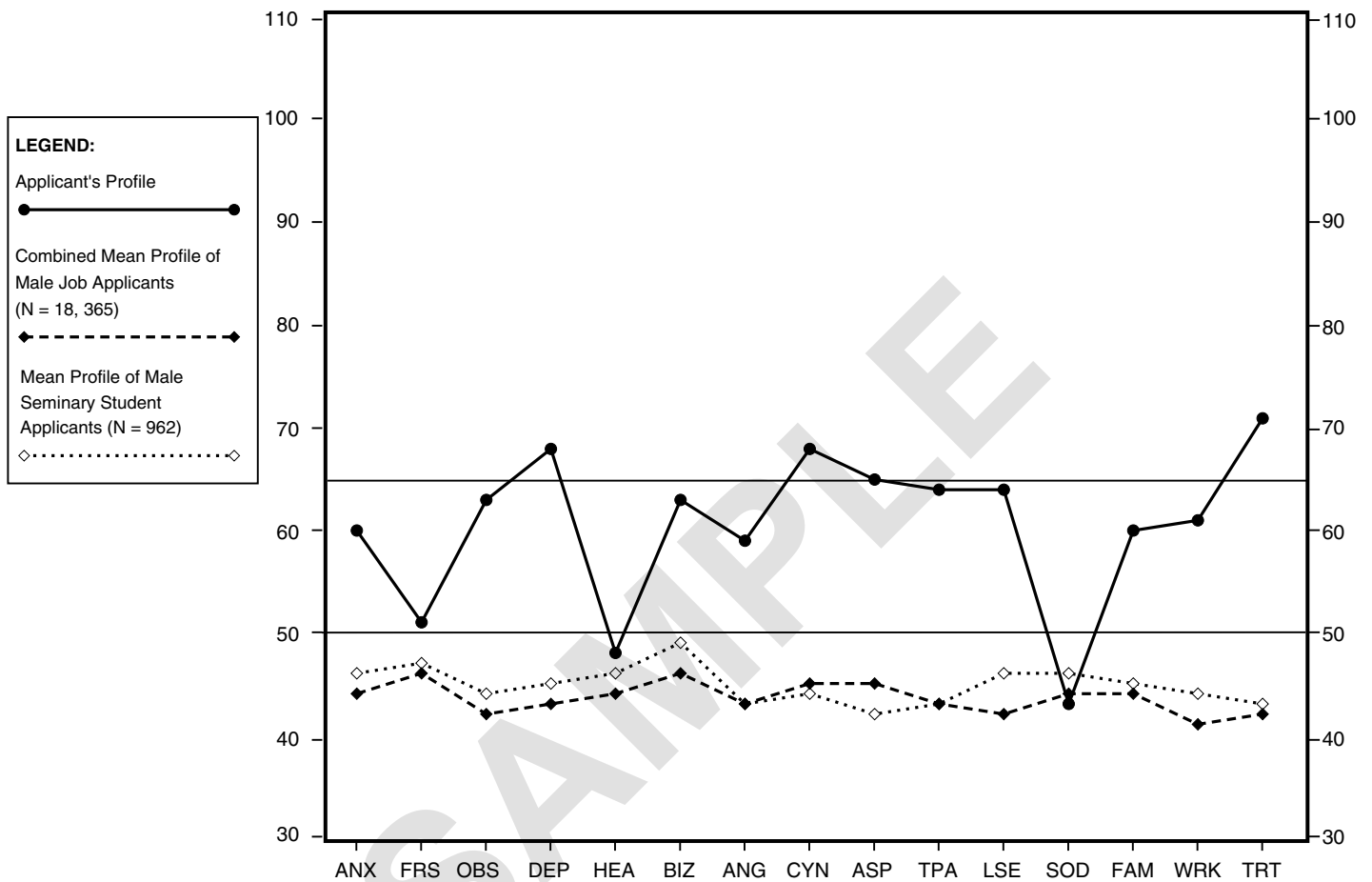
<b>Applicant's Raw Score:</b>	1	14	11	20	23	11	20	16	27	25	27	27	1	16	13	13
K Correction Score:	3			2			6	6	1							
<b>Applicant's T Score:</b>	30	40	33	48	44	53	49	42	72	50	64	60	41	63	38	32
Non-Gendered T Score:	30	39	32	48		53	48	42	73	49	67	60	43	62	38	30
Response %:	100	100	100	98	100	98	100	100	100	100	98	100	85	100	100	97

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Profile Elevation: 45.9

### MMPI-2 CONTENT SCALES PROFILE



General Applicant															
Sample Mean Score:	44	46	42	43	44	46	43	45	45	43	42	44	44	41	42
Seminary Student															
Sample Mean Score:	46	47	44	45	46	49	43	44	42	43	46	46	45	44	43

<b>Applicant's Raw Score:</b>	10	4	9	14	4	6	9	18	14	13	10	4	9	13	13
<b>Applicant's T Score:</b>	60	51	63	68	48	63	59	68	65	64	64	43	60	61	71
Non-Gendered T Score:	58	48	61	66	47	64	59	69	68	66	62	43	58	59	70
Response %:	100	100	94	100	100	100	100	100	95	100	100	100	100	100	96

## PROFILE VALIDITY

The client omitted 6 items on the MMPI-2. Although this is not enough to invalidate the resulting MMPI-2 clinical profile, some of his scale scores may be lower than expected because of these omissions. It is often valuable to examine the content of omitted items at the end of this report to determine areas the applicant refused to address. It may be helpful to talk with him to determine the reasons for his omissions. Many clinicians prefer to readminister the omitted items (listed at the end of this report) to ensure the most accurate interpretation possible.

The pattern of his item omissions should be carefully evaluated. He omitted from 10% to 15% of the items on Scales AAS and Pd2. Omitting items may result in an underestimate of the problems measured by the affected scales. He omitted from 16% to 25% of the items on Scale ASP2. Caution should be exercised in interpreting the affected scales because scale scores are clearly attenuated by this degree of item omission. Of course, any scale elevations above a T score of 60 should be interpreted, but it should be understood that if there are omitted items, the score probably underestimates problems reflected by the scale.

This is a valid MMPI-2 profile. The applicant responded to the items in a generally open and frank manner, neither denying problems nor claiming an excessive number of unusual symptoms. There is, however, some possibility that he was frank in his self-appraisal, being somewhat more self-critical than most job applicants. This may reflect low self-esteem or a need to call attention to his problems.

## PERSONAL ADJUSTMENT

The applicant's performance on the MMPI-2 suggests that he is outgoing and considers himself to have few psychological problems. However, his overuse of denial and his tendency to overextend himself may occasionally cause problems. He tends to be very aggressive, overconfident, and somewhat self-centered, with an unrealistic view of his capabilities. At times he is overly optimistic, fails to recognize his own limitations, and is insensitive to the needs of others. He tends to be an expressive, spontaneous person who might act or make decisions without careful consideration of the consequences. Without apparent cause he may become somewhat elated, and at other times he may be moody and irritable.

He seems to lack the broad cultural interests that are characteristic of many individuals with his level of education. He appears to have a rather limited range of interests and prefers traditional, action-oriented activities to artistic and literary pursuits or introspective experiences. He may be somewhat intolerant and insensitive, and others may view him as rather crude, coarse, and narrow-minded.

In addition, the following description is suggested by the content of this applicant's responses. He shows some disrespect for authority and believes that people should get away with everything they can. He may view the world as a jungle. He believes it is acceptable to break rules as long as you don't get caught. Items that the applicant endorsed suggest that he may be experiencing some of the following feelings associated with low mood. He is preoccupied with feelings of guilt and worthlessness and feels that he deserves punishment for wrongs he has committed. He feels unhappy and regrets his past, seems plagued by worry about the future, and is uninterested in life at present. He has endorsed a significant number of items suggesting that he possesses some antisocial beliefs or attitudes. His work history

should be carefully evaluated to determine if irresponsible behavior has resulted in work-related problems. He reports having very cynical views that may distort how he perceives the motives and intentions of other people.

## **INTERPERSONAL RELATIONS**

He appears to be a very outgoing person, forward and aggressive in relationships and able to influence others easily. Although he makes a good first impression, his relationships tend to be rather superficial.

The content of this applicant's MMPI-2 responses suggests the following additional information concerning his interpersonal relations. He appears to have rather cynical views about life. Any work involving cooperative effort may be affected by his negativism. He may view relationships with others as threatening and harmful. He feels some family conflict, but he does not seem to view this as a major problem in his life. He may be viewed as irritable and competitive. He may experience some interpersonal problems at times because of his aggressiveness.

## **PROFILE FREQUENCY**

It is usually valuable in MMPI-2 clinical profile interpretation to take into consideration the relative frequency of a given profile pattern in various settings. An elevated score on the Ma scale was found in 15.2% of the MMPI-2 normative sample of men (N = 1,138). Only 8.43% of the normative sample of men obtained clinical scale spikes on Ma above a T score of 65. This high-point score on the Ma scale, at this level of profile elevation, was obtained by 4.17% of male seminary applicants (Pearson Assessments Archival Data, 1994).

## **CONTEMPORARY PERSONNEL BASE RATE INFORMATION**

Additional contemporary profile frequency information is available to serve as a basis for interpreting seminary applicants' profiles. The relative frequency of this profile in job applicants is informative and can provide clues regarding the individual's emotional stability. High scores on Ma can reflect tendencies toward impulsive and careless behavior. In the Pearson Assessments (Butcher et al., 2000) combined job applicant sample (N = 18,365 males), this MMPI-2 high-point clinical scale score (Ma) occurs in 8.6% of the males regardless of elevation. However, 12.5% of spikes elevated at or above a T score of 65 produce this pattern. The Ma spike was the highest single-scale peak among elevated and well-defined profiles. In a specific sample of seminary applicants (N = 962 males) the Ma high-point score occurs in 6.8% of the cases regardless of elevation and 7.8% have a well-defined Ma scale spike at or above a T score of 65.

## **PROFILE STABILITY**

The relative elevation of the highest scales in his clinical profile shows very high profile definition. His peak scores are likely to be very prominent in his profile pattern if he is retested at a later date. His high-point score on Ma is likely to remain stable over time. Short-term test-retest studies have shown a correlation of .83 for this high-point score. Spiro, Butcher, Levenson, Aldwin, and Bosse (1993) found a moderate test-retest stability index of .59 in a large study of normals over a five-year test-retest period. His behavior may be somewhat variable. He may appear to be quite outgoing and elated, but he may be susceptible to mood changes and irritability.

## **POSSIBLE EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS**

Seminary applicants with this MMPI-2 profile tend to be quite enthusiastic, energetic, and oriented toward human service work. There is some possibility that they might be very impulsive at times. In addition, they tend to take on more activities than they can manage or make more promises than they can fulfill.

Although the applicant appears to be hard-driving and expansive, he may become overextended and have trouble completing projects. He is frequently overconfident and may make promises that are difficult to keep. He also tends to dislike practical matters, preferring to be rather vague and superficial. There is some possibility that his interpersonal style may be a bit overbearing and might create strained relationships.



## CONTENT THEMES

MMPI-2 content themes may serve as a source of hypotheses for further investigation. These content themes summarize similar item responses that appear with greater frequency with this applicant than with most people.

He may be overly sensitive in interpersonal relationships.

He may have low self-esteem that interferes with his taking on new tasks.

He may be very self-centered and excessively motivated by self-interest.

He may be rigid and inflexible in his thinking.

He may feel alienated.

He may have trouble controlling his temper.

He may have antisocial attitudes and behavior.

He may have some unconventional beliefs or attitudes that affect the way he gets along with supervisors.

He may have irresponsible attitudes.

He may sometimes disregard rules when it suits him.

He may have problems with authority and may at times break rules.

He may tend to question supervisory decisions.

He may be prone to feeling anxious at times.

He may have low energy or lack enthusiasm.

He has a cynical attitude toward life that reflects a tendency to be caustic in relationships with others.

**ADDITIONAL SCALES**

	Raw Score	T Score	Non-Gendered T Score	Resp %
<b>Personality Psychopathology Five (PSY-5) Scales</b>				
Aggressiveness (AGGR)	11	59	62	100
Psychoticism (PSYC)	7	62	62	100
Disconstraint (DISC)	19	64	68	97
Negative Emotionality/Neuroticism (NEGE)	18	66	63	100
Introversion/Low Positive Emotionality (INTR)	4	35	35	100
<b>Supplementary Scales</b>				
Anxiety (A)	22	67	65	100
Repression (R)	5	30	30	100
Ego Strength (Es)	35	45	48	98
Hostility (Ho)	31	65	66	98
<b>Harris-Lingoes Subscales</b>				
<b>Depression Subscales</b>				
Subjective Depression (D <sub>1</sub> )	8	53	52	100
Psychomotor Retardation (D <sub>2</sub> )	3	37	36	100
Physical Malfunctioning (D <sub>3</sub> )	2	43	42	100
Mental Dullness (D <sub>4</sub> )	2	48	48	100
Brooding (D <sub>5</sub> )	6	74	70	100
<b>Hysteria Subscales</b>				
Denial of Social Anxiety (Hy <sub>1</sub> )	2	40	40	100
Need for Affection (Hy <sub>2</sub> )	1	30	30	100
Lassitude-Malaise (Hy <sub>3</sub> )	1	43	43	100
Somatic Complaints (Hy <sub>4</sub> )	1	43	42	100
Inhibition of Aggression (Hy <sub>5</sub> )	3	48	47	100
<b>Psychopathic Deviate Subscales</b>				
Familial Discord (Pd <sub>1</sub> )	3	58	57	100
Authority Problems (Pd <sub>2</sub> )	3	47	50	88
Social Imperturbability (Pd <sub>3</sub> )	3	45	46	100
Social Alienation (Pd <sub>4</sub> )	6	61	60	100
Self-Alienation (Pd <sub>5</sub> )	8	72	72	100
<b>Paranoia Subscales</b>				
Persecutory Ideas (Pa <sub>1</sub> )	3	58	58	100
Poignancy (Pa <sub>2</sub> )	4	62	60	100
Naivete (Pa <sub>3</sub> )	4	46	46	100

	Raw Score	T Score	Non-Gendered T Score	Resp %
<b>Schizophrenia Subscales</b>				
Social Alienation (Sc <sub>1</sub> )	4	55	54	100
Emotional Alienation (Sc <sub>2</sub> )	1	50	49	100
Lack of Ego Mastery, Cognitive (Sc <sub>3</sub> )	2	54	55	100
Lack of Ego Mastery, Conative (Sc <sub>4</sub> )	2	49	49	100
Lack of Ego Mastery, Defective Inhibition (Sc <sub>5</sub> )	4	68	67	100
Bizarre Sensory Experiences (Sc <sub>6</sub> )	4	60	59	100
<b>Hypomania Subscales</b>				
Amorality (Ma <sub>1</sub> )	4	66	68	100
Psychomotor Acceleration (Ma <sub>2</sub> )	6	53	54	100
Imperturbability (Ma <sub>3</sub> )	5	59	61	100
Ego Inflation (Ma <sub>4</sub> )	6	69	68	100
<b>Social Introversion Subscales (Ben-Porath, Hostetler, Butcher, &amp; Graham)</b>				
Shyness/Self-Consciousness (Si <sub>1</sub> )	6	54	53	100
Social Avoidance (Si <sub>2</sub> )	0	37	37	100
Alienation--Self and Others (Si <sub>3</sub> )	11	68	67	100
<b>Content Component Scales (Ben-Porath &amp; Sherwood)</b>				
<b>Fears Subscales</b>				
Generalized Fearfulness (FRS <sub>1</sub> )	0	44	43	100
Multiple Fears (FRS <sub>2</sub> )	4	54	50	100
<b>Depression Subscales</b>				
Lack of Drive (DEP <sub>1</sub> )	5	68	67	100
Dysphoria (DEP <sub>2</sub> )	3	66	62	100
Self-Depreciation (DEP <sub>3</sub> )	4	69	70	100
Suicidal Ideation (DEP <sub>4</sub> )	1	62	62	100
<b>Health Concerns Subscales</b>				
Gastrointestinal Symptoms (HEA <sub>1</sub> )	0	44	44	100
Neurological Symptoms (HEA <sub>2</sub> )	2	54	52	100
General Health Concerns (HEA <sub>3</sub> )	1	48	49	100
<b>Bizarre Mentation Subscales</b>				
Psychotic Symptomatology (BIZ <sub>1</sub> )	0	44	44	100
Schizotypal Characteristics (BIZ <sub>2</sub> )	4	67	67	100
<b>Anger Subscales</b>				
Explosive Behavior (ANG <sub>1</sub> )	2	52	53	100
Irritability (ANG <sub>2</sub> )	5	61	61	100
<b>Cynicism Subscales</b>				
Misanthropic Beliefs (CYN <sub>1</sub> )	12	66	67	100
Interpersonal Suspiciousness (CYN <sub>2</sub> )	6	62	63	100

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<b>Antisocial Practices Subscales</b>				
Antisocial Attitudes (ASP <sub>1</sub> )	11	63	65	100
Antisocial Behavior (ASP <sub>2</sub> )	3	59	64	80
<b>Type A Subscales</b>				
Impatience (TPA <sub>1</sub> )	3	51	52	100
Competitive Drive (TPA <sub>2</sub> )	8	77	79	100
<b>Low Self-Esteem Subscales</b>				
Self-Doubt (LSE <sub>1</sub> )	4	59	59	100
Submissiveness (LSE <sub>2</sub> )	4	69	66	100
<b>Social Discomfort Subscales</b>				
Introversion (SOD <sub>1</sub> )	1	39	40	100
Shyness (SOD <sub>2</sub> )	3	52	51	100
<b>Family Problems Subscales</b>				
Family Discord (FAM <sub>1</sub> )	5	60	59	100
Familial Alienation (FAM <sub>2</sub> )	0	40	41	100
<b>Negative Treatment Indicators Subscales</b>				
Low Motivation (TRT <sub>1</sub> )	5	71	69	100
Inability to Disclose (TRT <sub>2</sub> )	4	68	68	100

Uniform T scores are used for Hs, D, Hy, Pd, Pa, Pt, Sc, Ma, the content scales, the content component scales, and the PSY-5 scales. The remaining scales and subscales use linear T scores.

## WORK DYSFUNCTION ITEMS

The following items may be significant in understanding the client's work performance. These items have been found to be related to dysfunctional attitudes or negative behavior in employment situations. Although these items may serve as a source of hypotheses for further investigation, caution should be used in interpreting individual items because the respondent may have misread the item or inadvertently marked the wrong answer.

Any Work Dysfunction items he endorsed are listed below with the direction of his endorsement indicated in parentheses. The endorsement percentages of different reference groups are presented in brackets following the item. The first number "N" is the percentage of the MMPI-2 normative sample who endorsed that item in the scored direction. The second number "P" is the percentage of individuals in the large job applicant sample (Pearson Assessments, 1995) who endorsed the item in the scored direction.

- 98. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 37%, P = 23%]
- 135. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 32%, P = 17%]
- 339. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 37%, P = 27%]
- 364. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 14%, P = 6%]
- 394. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 19%, P = 5%]
- 409. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 39%, P = 24%]
- 428. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 57%, P = 39%]
- 445. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 39%, P = 24%]
- 491. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 11%, P = 5%]
- 505. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 11%, P = 3%]
- 509. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 25%, P = 19%]
- 545. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 37%, P = 18%]
- 559. Item Content Omitted. (True) [N = 15%, P = 9%]



### Special Note:

The content of the test items is included in the actual reports. To protect the integrity of the test, the item content does not appear in this sample report.

## OMITTED ITEMS

The client omitted the following items. It may be helpful to discuss these omissions with him to determine the reason for noncompliance with the test instructions.

- 266. Item Content Omitted.
- 371. Item Content Omitted.
- 406. Item Content Omitted.
- 487. Item Content Omitted.
- 488. Item Content Omitted.
- 553. Item Content Omitted.



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## End of Report

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NOTE: This MMPI-2 report can serve as a useful guide for employment decisions in which personality adjustment is considered important for success on the job. The decision rules on which these classifications are based were developed through a review of the empirical literature on the MMPI and MMPI-2 with normal-range individuals (including job applicants) and the author's practical experience using the test in employee selection. The report can assist psychologists and physicians involved in personnel selection by providing an "outside opinion" about the applicant's adjustment. The MMPI-2 should NOT be used as the sole means of determining the applicant's suitability for employment. The information in this report should be used by qualified test interpretation specialists only.

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