



Deenz Psychopathy Spectrum Scale (DPSS) Questionnaire

Instructions

Deenz Psychopathy Spectrum Scale (DPSS) contains 24 items rated on a 5-point scale. Please answer each question honestly based on your typical thoughts, feelings, and experiences. There are no right or wrong answers.

#	Statement	Strongly Disagree (0)	Disagree (1)	Neutral (2)	Agree (3)	Strongly Agree (4)
1	I am able to resolve conflicts in a peaceful manner.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	I am the type of person who tries my best to avoid making threatening language or aggressive statements.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	I have a tendency to get easily angry.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4	Due to my anger, I have faced legal issues in the past.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5	I tend to make decisions quickly without considering the consequences or alternatives.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6	I tend to engage in dangerous activities, as they bring me a thrill.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7	I always find myself failing to learn from past experiences, even when my actions have caused problems.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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8	I struggle to finish tasks because I quickly lose interest and move on to something else.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9	I find it difficult to forgive.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10	When someone needs support, I tend to focus more on my own feelings rather than on others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11	I always believe that people bring their misfortunes upon themselves.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12	I often lose interest when listening to someone talk about their problems.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13	I constantly strive to control situations and the people around me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14	I have a tendency to blame others for my problems or shortcomings.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15	I am skilled at convincing others to do what I want for my own benefit.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16	I believe that lying and manipulating others are necessary in order to succeed in life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17	People tend to distance themselves from me quickly.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18	My opinions and beliefs are always justified.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19	If I compare myself to others, these comparisons make me feel worse about myself.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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20	I have difficulty accepting criticism or feedback, even when it is meant to be constructive.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21	I always maintain my composure and remain calm even in stressful situations.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22	I lack the ability to attract and influence others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
23	I tend to focus on external appearances rather than the emotional, relational, and ideological aspects of people and situations.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24	I often lose interest when listening to someone talk about their problems.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Scoring Instructions

Responses should be summed according to the scoring procedures of the assessment.

Higher scores generally indicate greater expression of the measured construct unless otherwise specified.

Reverse-Scored Items

1, 2, 19, 21, 22

Reverse Scoring Formula

0 → 4

1 → 3

2 → 2

3 → 1

4 → 0

Dimension Scoring Keys

Dimension	Items	Number of Items
Aggression	1, 2, 3, 4	4
Impulsivity	5, 6, 7, 8	4
Callousness	9, 10, 11, 12	4
Manipulation	13, 14, 15, 16	4
Ego	17, 18, 19, 20	4
Glibness	21, 22, 23, 24	4

Raw Score Ranges

Scale	Items	Possible Range
Aggression	4	0–16
Impulsivity	4	0–16
Callousness	4	0–16
Manipulation	4	0–16
Ego	4	0–16
Glibness	4	0–16
Overall Score	24	0–96

Source

Dar, Deen Mohd. Development and Validation of the Deenz Psychopathy Spectrum Scale (DPSS-24).

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