



Deenz Sadism Tendency Assessment Scale (DTAS-24) Questionnaire

Instructions

Deenz Sadism Tendency Assessment Scale (DTAS-24) 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 may enjoy intimidating others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	I can feel a need to put people in their place.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	I sometimes enjoy having power over others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4	I try to make people feel valued.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5	I prefer treating people as equals.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6	I usually avoid dominating others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7	I may use people to get what I want.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8	I can hide my intentions when it benefits me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9	I sometimes influence others for personal gain.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10	I try to be genuine with others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

#	Statement	Strongly Disagree (0)	Disagree (1)	Neutral (2)	Agree (3)	Strongly Agree (4)
11	I usually say what I truly mean.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12	I prefer honesty over personal advantage.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13	Others' suffering may not affect me much.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14	I can be insensitive to other people's pain.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15	I may feel little guilt after hurting someone.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16	I try to comfort people who are upset.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17	I often feel compassion for struggling people.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18	Seeing someone suffer can affect me deeply.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19	I may enjoy seeing people embarrassed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20	Others' frustration can be amusing to me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21	I sometimes provoke people for amusement.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22	I feel bad when someone is humiliated.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
23	I dislike seeing others distressed.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24	I try to protect people from ridicule.	<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

4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 24

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, 5, 6	6
Manipulation	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12	6
Cruelty	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18	6
Sadism	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24	6

Raw Score Ranges

Scale	Items	Possible Range
Aggression	6	0–24
Manipulation	6	0–24
Cruelty	6	0–24
Sadism	6	0–24
Overall Score	24	0–96

Source

Dar, Deen Mohd, [Sadism Tendency Assessment Scale: Development and Validation](#) (December 10, 2023). Available at SSRN:

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