

Revised NEO Personality Inventory™

Combined Interpretive Report

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Client Information

Results For : Sample Client

Client ID : 123456789

Birthdate : 02/03/1960

Gender : Male

--- First Protocol ---

Client Age : 41

Test Form : S

Test Date: 09/27/2001

--- Second Protocol ---

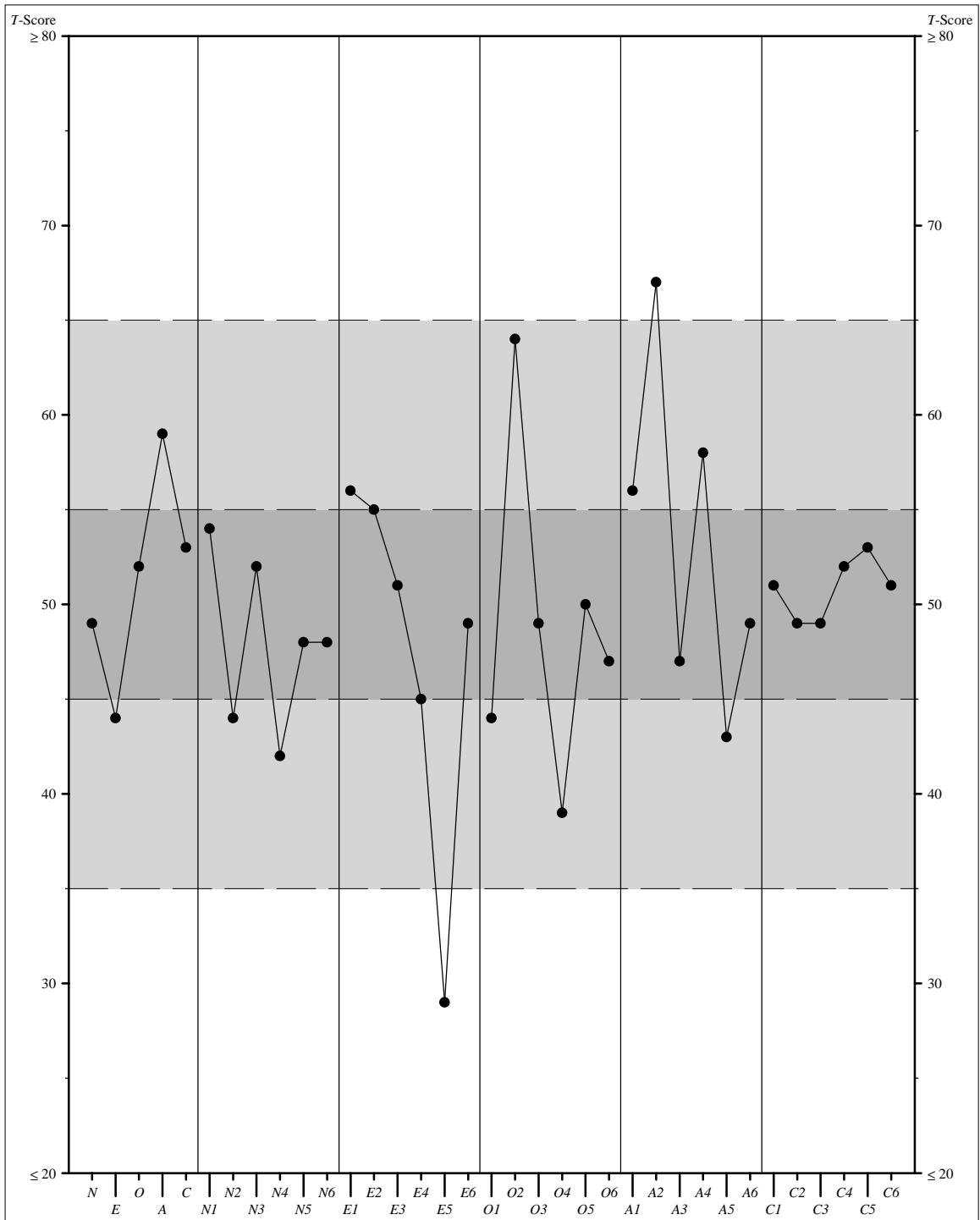
Client Age : 40

Test Form : S

Test Date: 07/26/2000

The following report is based on research using normal adult samples and is intended to provide information on the basic dimensions of personality. The interpretive information contained in this report should be viewed as only one source of hypotheses about the individual being evaluated. No decisions should be based solely on the information contained in this report. This material should be integrated with all other sources of information in reaching professional decisions about this individual. This report is confidential and intended for use by qualified professionals only; it should not be released to the individual being evaluated. "Your NEO PI-R™ Summary" provides a report in lay terms that may be appropriate for feedback to the client.

NEO PI-R™ T-Score Profile



NEO PI-R™ Combined Data Table

Scale	Sample Client			Sample Client			Mean T Score
	Raw Score	T Score	Range	Raw Score	T Score	Range	
Factors							
(N) Neuroticism	60	45	Average	83	54	Average	49
(E) Extraversion	109	47	Average	96	43	Low	44
(O) Openness	101	48	Average	118	56	High	52
(A) Agreeableness	137	62	High	117	53	Average	59
(C) Conscientiousness	129	55	Average	122	51	Average	53
Neuroticism Facets							
(N1) Anxiety	9	41	Low	21	66	Very High	54
(N2) Angry Hostility	9	43	Low	11	47	Average	44
(N3) Depression	10	47	Average	15	57	High	52
(N4) Self-Consciousness	12	46	Average	10	41	Low	42
(N5) Impulsiveness	11	40	Low	18	56	High	48
(N6) Vulnerability	9	49	Average	8	47	Average	48
Extraversion Facets							
(E1) Warmth	24	54	Average	25	57	High	56
(E2) Gregariousness	18	54	Average	18	54	Average	55
(E3) Assertiveness	17	51	Average	17	51	Average	51
(E4) Activity	20	56	High	11	35	Low	45
(E5) Excitement-Seeking	8	30	Very Low	9	33	Very Low	29
(E6) Positive Emotions	22	56	High	16	42	Low	49
Openness Facets							
(O1) Fantasy	10	35	Low	19	54	Average	44
(O2) Aesthetics	22	60	High	25	65	High	64
(O3) Feelings	15	38	Low	24	61	High	49
(O4) Actions	15	47	Average	10	34	Very Low	39
(O5) Ideas	20	50	Average	20	50	Average	50
(O6) Values	19	46	Average	20	48	Average	47
Agreeableness Facets							
(A1) Trust	21	50	Average	25	60	High	56
(A2) Straightforwardness	28	68	Very High	25	61	High	67
(A3) Altruism	24	53	Average	20	42	Low	47
(A4) Compliance	24	66	Very High	17	47	Average	58
(A5) Modesty	18	50	Average	13	38	Low	43
(A6) Tender-Mindedness	22	56	High	17	42	Low	49
Conscientiousness Facets							
(C1) Competence	23	51	Average	23	51	Average	51
(C2) Order	19	50	Average	18	48	Average	49
(C3) Dutifulness	24	52	Average	22	47	Average	49
(C4) Achievement Striving	22	57	High	18	47	Average	52
(C5) Self-Discipline	24	55	Average	22	50	Average	53
(C6) Deliberation	17	48	Average	19	53	Average	51

Validity Indices

Please see the individual reports for validity indices.

Basis of Interpretation

This report compares this person to other adult men. It is based on self-reports of the individual. Adjusted Mean T-Scores are calculated by a formula designed for combined reports from two different observers. When applied to two tests from the same respondent, they are less accurate and probably exaggerate both high and low scores.

The *T*-Scores reported in this report may differ from the *T*-Scores of the individual client reports if they were created using different norms.

At the broadest level, personality can be described in terms of five basic dimensions or factors. NEO PI-R domain scores provide good estimates of these five factors by summing the six facets in each domain. Domain scores can be calculated easily by hand and are therefore used on the (hand-scored) Profile Form. More precise estimates of standing on the five factors, however, are provided by factor scores, which are a weighted combination of scores on all 30 facets (see Table 2 in the NEO PI-R™ Professional Manual). Factor scores are best calculated by computer.

Because factor scores have somewhat higher convergent and discriminant validity, they are used as the basis of this report. In general, domain *T* scores and factor *T* scores are very similar; occasionally, however, they differ. In these cases, the factor *T* score, which incorporates information from all 30 facets, is usually a more accurate description of the individual.

Factor scores are used to describe the individual at a global level, based on a composite of facet scale scores. To the extent that there is wide scatter among facet scores within a domain, interpretation of that domain and factor becomes more complex. Interpretive statements at the factor level may occasionally conflict with interpretive statements at the facet level. In these cases, particular attention should be focused on the facet scales and their interpretations.

Overall Profile Agreement

The Coefficient of Profile Agreement, based on the factor scores of the individual and the observer, is 0.33. This means that the overall agreement on the individual's personality is low in comparison with agreement seen among research volunteer couples.

These two profiles show substantial disagreement on the following:

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Global Description of Personality: The Five Factors

The most distinctive feature of this individual's personality is his standing on the factor of Agreeableness. People who score in this range are typically good-natured and treat people with courtesy and respect. They are sympathetic and tend to be lenient with others. In group interactions, they are more likely to cooperate than to compete. They are trusting and straightforward. People might describe them as helpful and generous.

This person is described as being low in Extraversion. Such people are somewhat introverted, preferring to do many things alone or with a small group of people. They avoid large, noisy parties and tend to be quiet and reserved in social interactions. Those who know such people would probably describe them as retiring and serious. The fact that these individuals are introverted does not necessarily mean that they lack social skills--many introverts function very well in social situations, although they might prefer to avoid them. Note also that introversion does not imply introspection; these individuals are likely to be thoughtful and reflective only if they are also high in Openness.

Next, consider the individual's level of Conscientiousness. Men who score in this range have a normal level of need for achievement. They are able to set work aside in pursuit of pleasure or recreation. They are moderately well organized and fairly reliable, and have an average amount of self-discipline.

This person is described as being average in Openness. Average scorers like him value both the new and the familiar, and have an average degree of sensitivity to inner feelings. They are willing to consider new ideas on occasion, but they do not seek out novelty for its own sake.

Finally, the individual is rated in the average range in Neuroticism. Individuals scoring in this range are average in terms of their emotional stability. They experience a normal amount of psychological distress and have a typical balance of satisfactions and dissatisfactions with life. They are neither high nor low in self-esteem. Their ability to deal with stress is as good as the average person's.

Detailed Interpretation: Facets of N, E, O, A, and C

Each of the five factors encompasses a number of more specific traits, or facets. The NEO PI-R measures six facets in each of the five factors. An examination of the facet scores provides a more detailed picture of the distinctive way that these factors are seen in this person.

Neuroticism

This individual is perceived as being occasionally nervous or apprehensive, but no more so than the average individual. He seldom feels frustrated, irritable, and angry at others and he has only the occasional periods of unhappiness that most people experience. Embarrassment or shyness when dealing with people, especially strangers, is not a problem for him. He is described as being average at controlling his impulses and desires and he is able to handle stress as well as most people.

Extraversion

This person is rated as being very warm and affectionate toward others and he sometimes enjoys large and noisy crowds or parties. He is as assertive as most men when the circumstances require. The individual is described as having a moderate level of personal energy and an average activity level. Excitement, stimulation, and thrills have little appeal to him, but he experiences as much joy and happiness as most men.

Openness

In experiential style, this individual is described as being somewhat open. He considers daydreaming and fantasy a waste of time, and has a limited imagination. He is particularly responsive to beauty as found in music, art, poetry, or nature, and his feelings and emotional reactions are normal in variety and intensity. He seldom enjoys new and different activities and has a low need for variety in his life. He has only a moderate level of intellectual curiosity and he is generally middle-of-the-road in his social, political, and moral beliefs.

Agreeableness

According to the rater, this person easily trusts others and usually assumes the best about anyone he meets. He is described as very candid and sincere and would find it difficult to deceive or manipulate others, and he is reasonably considerate of others and responsive to requests for help. This individual often gives in to others, and is reluctant to express anger even when it is justified. He is described as quite proud of himself and his accomplishments, and happy to take credit for them. Compared to other people, he is average in his concern for those in need, and his social and political attitudes balance compassion with realism.

Conscientiousness

This individual is perceived as being reasonably efficient and generally sensible and rational in making decisions. He is described as moderately neat, punctual, and well organized, and he is reasonably dependable and reliable in meeting his obligations. He has a moderately high need for achievement, but he can also set work aside for recreation. He is average in self-discipline and generally finishes the tasks he starts. He is reasonably cautious, and generally thinks things through before acting.

Personality Correlates: Some Possible Implications

Research has shown that the scales of the NEO PI-R™ are related to a wide variety of psychosocial variables. These correlates suggest possible implications of the personality profile, because individuals who score high on a trait are also likely to score high on measures of the trait's correlates.

The following information is intended to give a sense of how this individual might function in a number of areas. It is not, however, a substitute for direct measurement. If, for example, there is a primary interest in medical complaints, an inventory of medical complaints should be administered in addition to the NEO PI-R™.

Coping and Defenses

In coping with the stresses of everyday life, this individual is described as being not very likely to react with ineffective responses, such as hostile reactions toward others, self-blame, or escapist fantasies. He is likely to use both faith and humor in responding to threats, losses, and

challenges. In addition, he is somewhat less likely to use positive thinking and direct action in dealing with problems. He is more likely to be self-sacrificing than to present a defensive facade of superiority. He may use such defense mechanisms as reaction formation and rationalization.

Somatic Complaints

This person likely responds in a normal fashion to physical problems and illness. He is prone neither to exaggerate nor to minimize physical symptoms and is fairly objective in assessing the seriousness of any medical problems that he might have.

Psychological Well-being

Although his mood and satisfaction with various aspects of his life will vary with the circumstances, in the long run this individual is likely to experience the normal course of positive and negative feelings and be generally content with life. Because he is high in Agreeableness, his morale and happiness may be increased by strong interpersonal bonds.

Cognitive Processes

This individual is likely to be about average in the complexity and differentiation of his thoughts, values, and moral judgments as compared to others of his level of intelligence and education. He would also probably score in the average range on measures of ego development.

Interpersonal Characteristics

Many theories propose a circular arrangement of interpersonal traits around the axes of Love and Status. Within such systems, this person would likely be described as frank, trusting, aloof, reserved, and especially modest and submissive. His traits are associated with low standing on the interpersonal dimension of Status.

Needs and Motives

Research in personality has identified a widely used list of psychological needs. Individuals differ in the degree to which these needs characterize their motivational structure. This individual is likely to show high levels of the following needs : affiliation, harm avoidance (avoiding danger), nurturance, sentience (enjoyment of sensuous and aesthetic experiences), and understanding (intellectual stimulation). This individual is likely to show low levels of the following needs : abasement, aggression, and change.

Clinical Hypotheses: Axis II Disorders and Treatment Implications

The NEO PI-R™ is a measure of personality traits, not psychopathology symptoms, but it is useful in clinical practice because personality profiles can suggest hypotheses about the disorders to which patients are prone and their responses to various kinds of therapy. This section of the NEO PI-R™ Interpretive Report is intended for use in clinical populations only. The hypotheses it offers should be accepted only when they are supported by other corroborating evidence.

Psychiatric diagnoses occur in men and women with different frequencies, and diagnoses are given according to uniform criteria. For that reason, information in this section of the Interpretive Report is based on Combined Gender norms.

Since Same Gender Norms were used for the Interpretive Report, there may be some apparent inconsistencies in score levels and interpretations.

Axis II Disorders

Personality traits are most directly relevant to the assessment of personality disorders coded on Axis II of the DSM-IV. A patient may have a personality disorder in addition to an Axis I disorder, and may meet criteria for more than one personality disorder. Certain diagnoses are more common among individuals with particular personality profiles; this section calls attention to diagnoses that are likely (or unlikely) to apply.

Borderline Personality Disorder. The most common personality disorder in clinical practice is Borderline, and the mean NEO PI-R™ profile of a group of patients diagnosed as having Borderline Personality Disorder provides a basis for evaluating the patient. Profile agreement between the patient and this mean profile is lower than half the subjects' in the normative sample, suggesting that the patient is unlikely to have a Borderline Personality Disorder.

Other Personality Disorders. Personality disorders can be conceptually characterized by a prototypic profile of NEO PI-R™ facets that are consistent with the definition of the disorder and its associated features. The coefficient of profile agreement can be used to assess the overall similarity of the patient's personality to other DSM-IV personality disorder prototypes.

It is unlikely that the patient has Paranoid Personality Disorder, Schizotypal Personality Disorder, Antisocial Personality Disorder, Histrionic Personality Disorder, Narcissistic Personality Disorder, Dependent Personality Disorder, or Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder because the patient's coefficients of profile agreement are lower than 50% of the subjects' in the normative sample.

Treatment Implications

This patient scores relatively low in Neuroticism, compared to other psychotherapy patients. His problems are likely to be due to a recent stressor or a difficult situation, and treatment may focus on dealing with those specific issues.

Because he is introverted, this patient probably finds it difficult to talk about his problems, and may be uncomfortable interacting with others. He may prefer more direct therapy that requires less spontaneous verbalization, and would probably prefer individual to group therapy.

The patient scores high on Agreeableness. He is therefore likely to be trusting and cooperative in psychotherapy, and eager to establish a treatment alliance with the therapist. Such patients may sometimes be too compliant, adopting interpretations or advice merely to please the therapist.

Stability of Profile

Research suggests that the individual's personality profile is likely to be stable throughout adulthood. Barring catastrophic stress, major illness, or therapeutic intervention, this description will probably serve as a fair guide even in old age.

Personality Style Graphs

Broad personality factors are pervasive influences on thoughts, feelings, and actions, and combinations of factors provide insight into major aspects of people's lives, defining what can be called *personality styles*. For example, for many years psychologists have known that interpersonal interactions can be conceptualized in terms of a circular ordering or circumplex,

defined by the two axes of Dominance and Love, or by the alternative axes of Extraversion and Agreeableness. These two factors define a *Style of Interactions*.

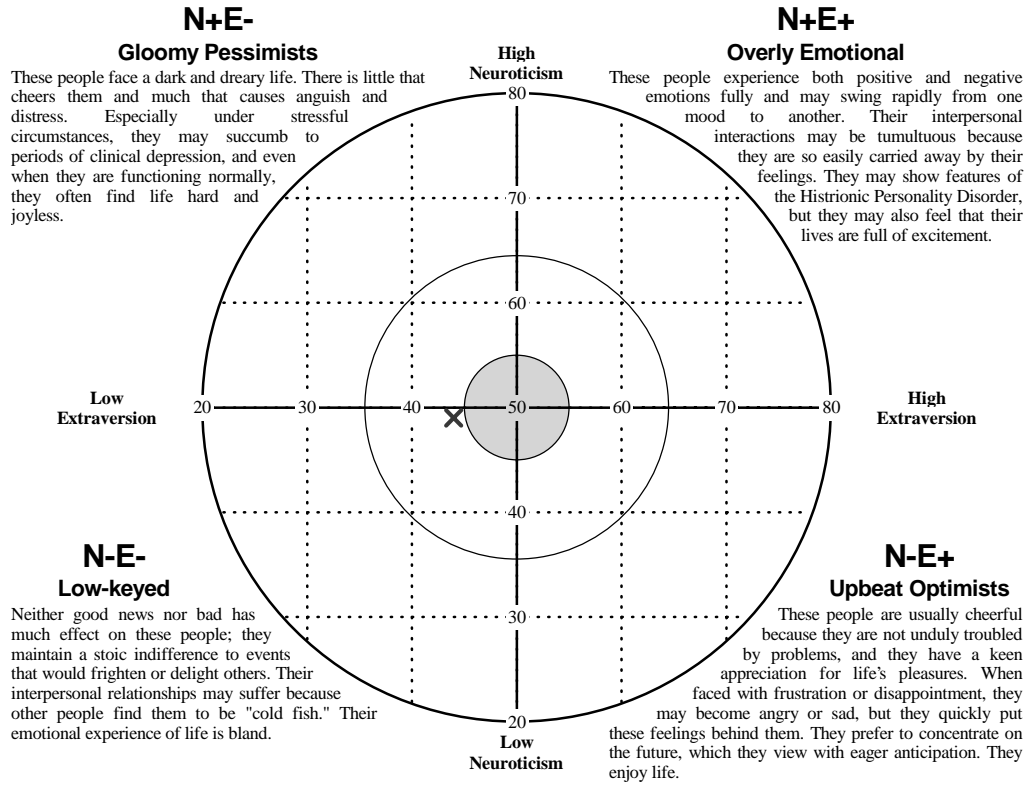
The nine other pairs of factors also define styles, and all ten are represented in NEO Style Graphs. An "X" is placed on each graph to indicate where the respondent falls; the description of that quadrant applies to the respondent. Descriptions are likely to be most accurate if (1) the "X" is far from the center; (2) the "X" is near the diagonal passing through the center of the quadrant; and (3) all the facets in each domain show similar levels. If the "X" is placed in the central circle, then none of the descriptions is especially relevant. If the "X" is located near the horizontal or vertical axis, then both quadrants on that side of the circle may be descriptive. If there is marked scatter among the facets in a domain, then interpretation should focus on these facets rather than the domain and its combinations in Style Graphs.

NEO Style Graphs

Style of Well-Being

Vertical Axis: Neuroticism (= 49 T)

Horizontal Axis: Extraversion (= 44 T)

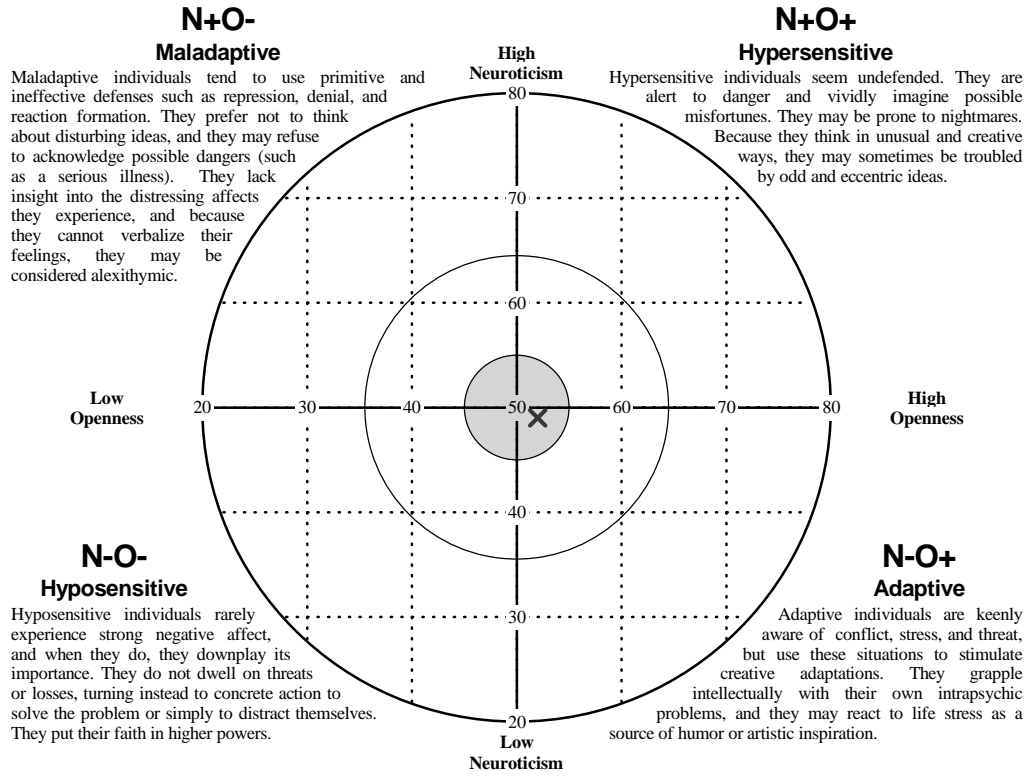


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Defense

Vertical Axis: Neuroticism (= 49 T)

Horizontal Axis: Openness (= 52 T)

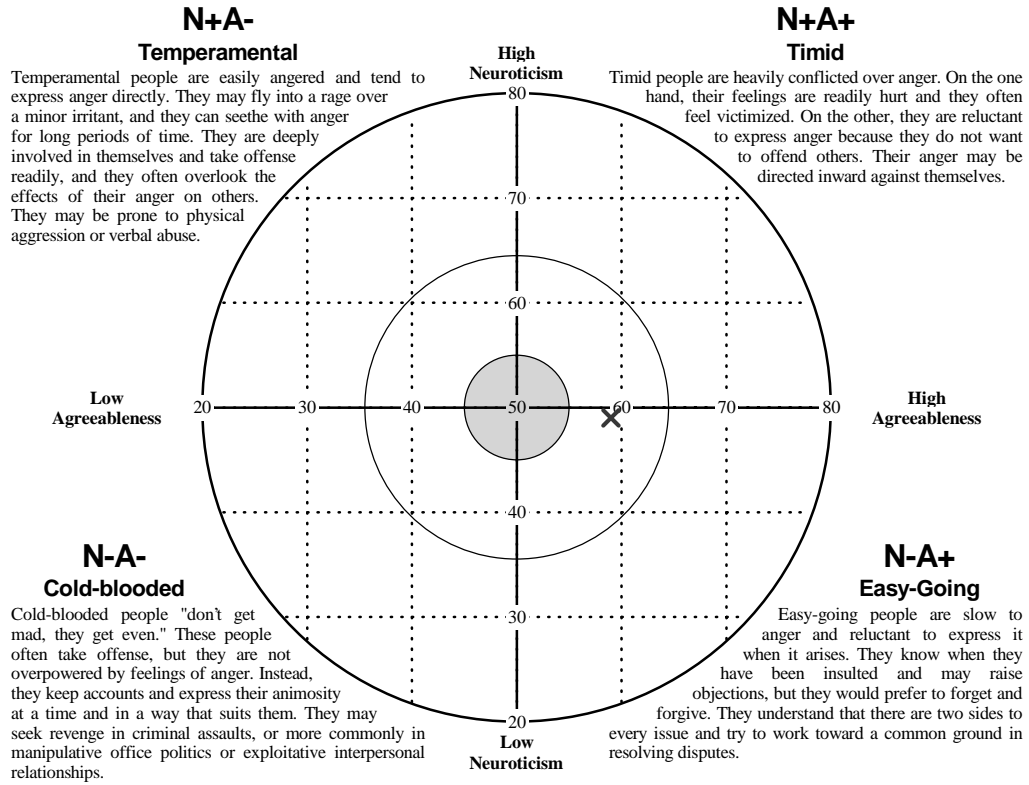


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Anger Control

Vertical Axis: Neuroticism (= 49 T)

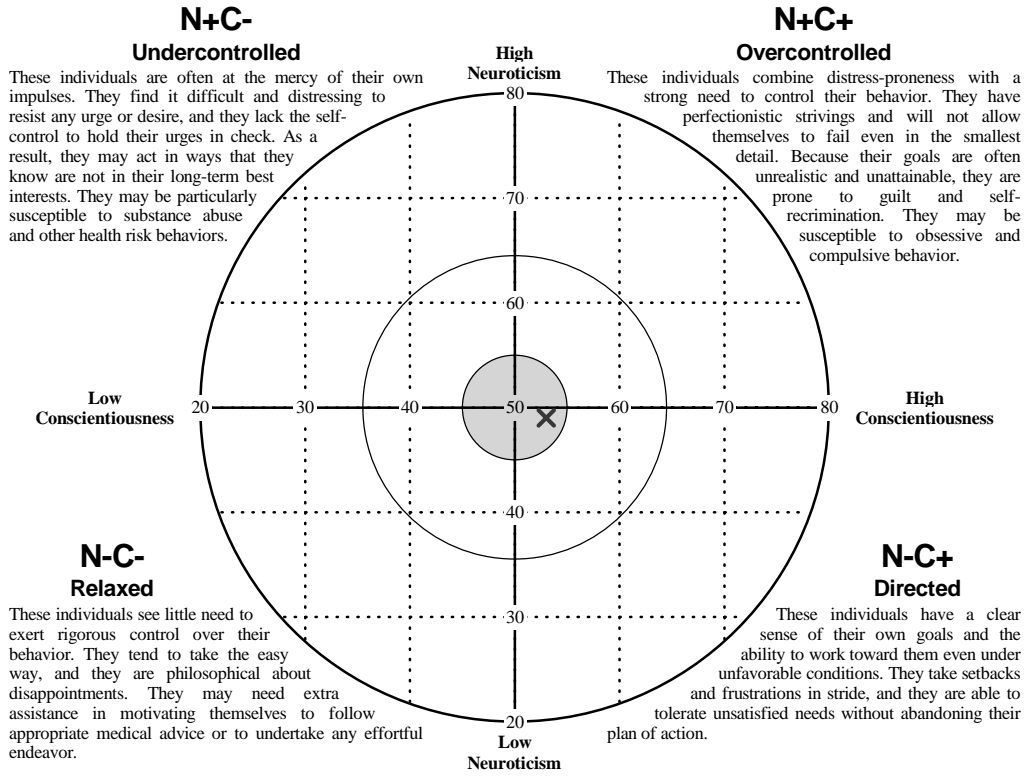
Horizontal Axis: Agreeableness (= 59 T)



NEO Style Graphs

Style of Impulse Control

Vertical Axis: Neuroticism (= 49 T)
Horizontal Axis: Conscientiousness (= 53 T)

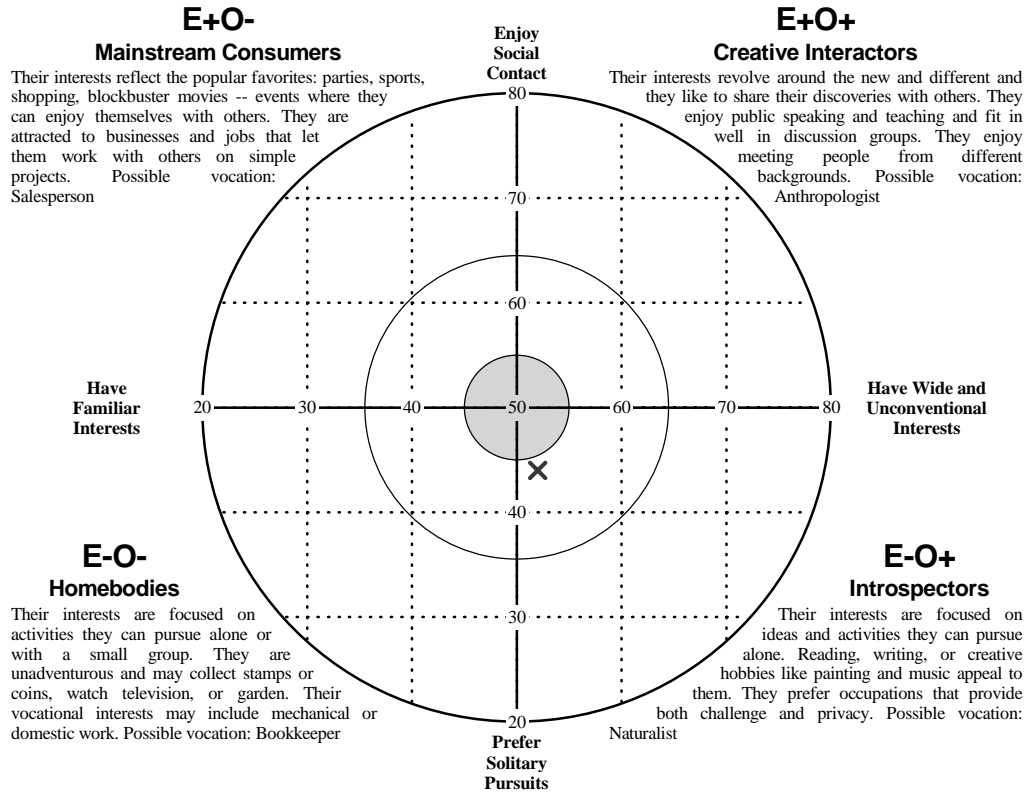


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Interests

Vertical Axis: Extraversion (= 44 T)

Horizontal Axis: Openness (= 52 T)

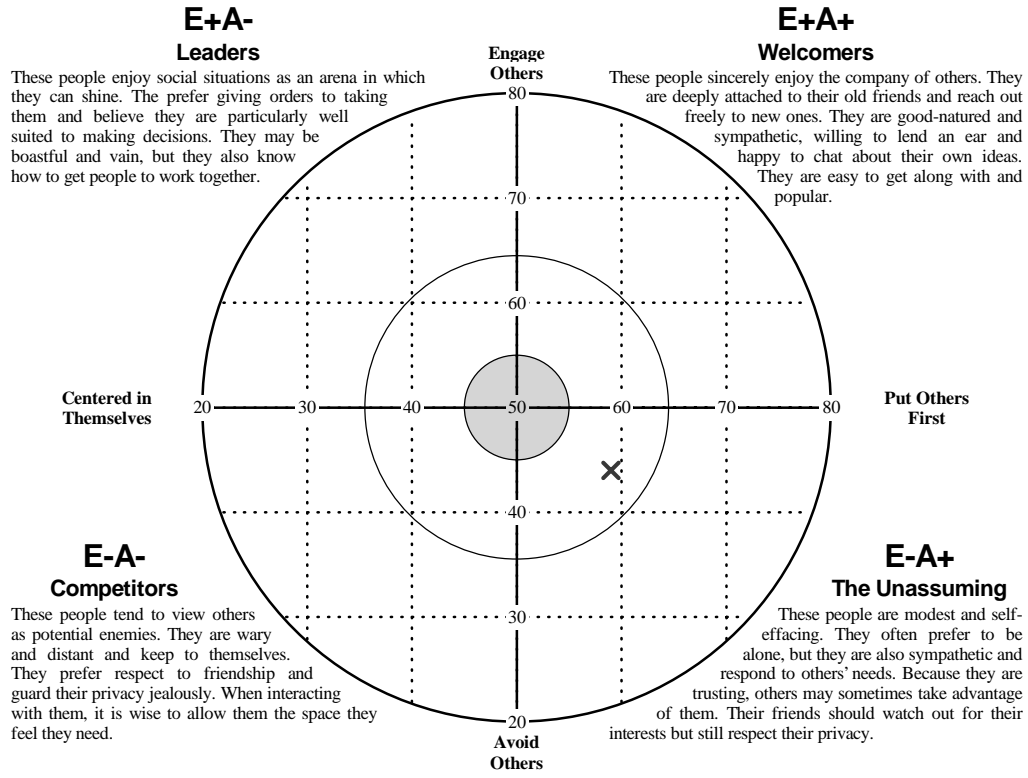


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Interactions

Vertical Axis: Extraversion (= 44 T)

Horizontal Axis: Agreeableness (= 59 T)

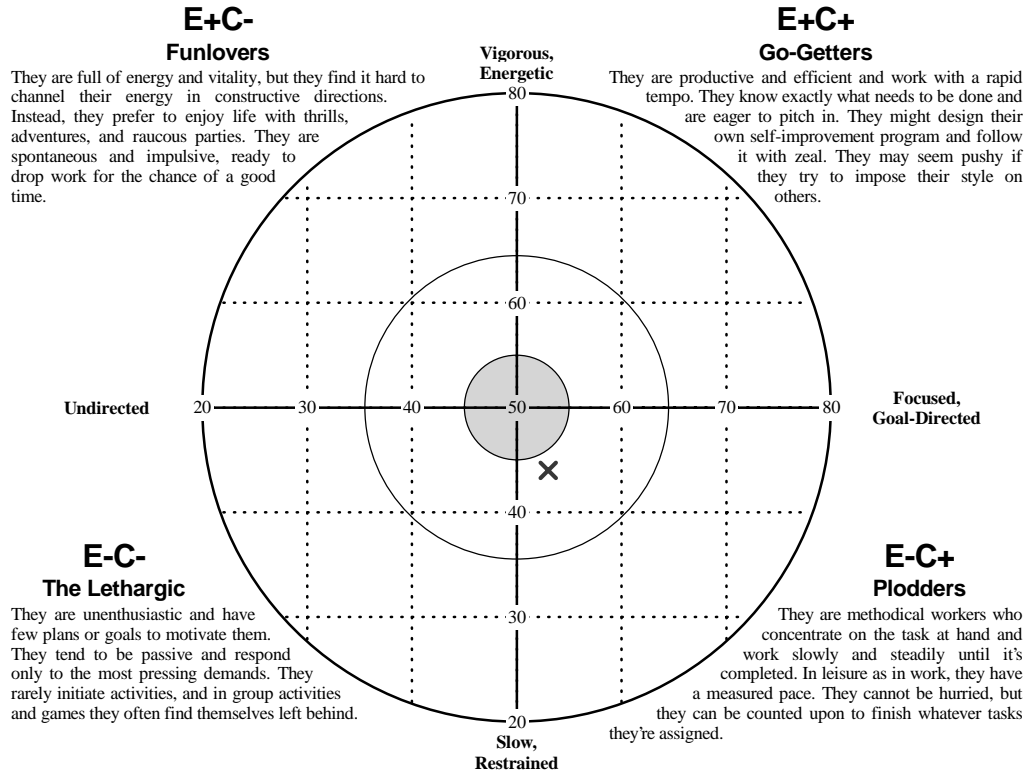


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Activity

Vertical Axis: Extraversion (= 44 T)

Horizontal Axis: Conscientiousness (= 53 T)

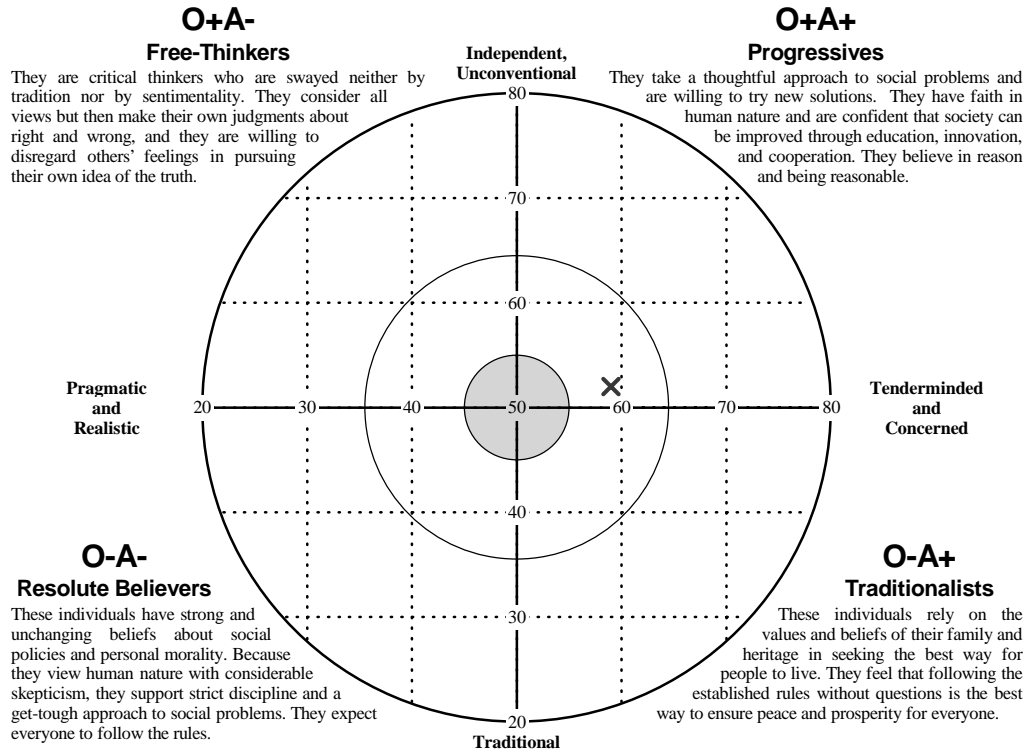


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Style of Attitudes

Vertical Axis: Openness (= 52 T)

Horizontal Axis: Agreeableness (= 59 T)

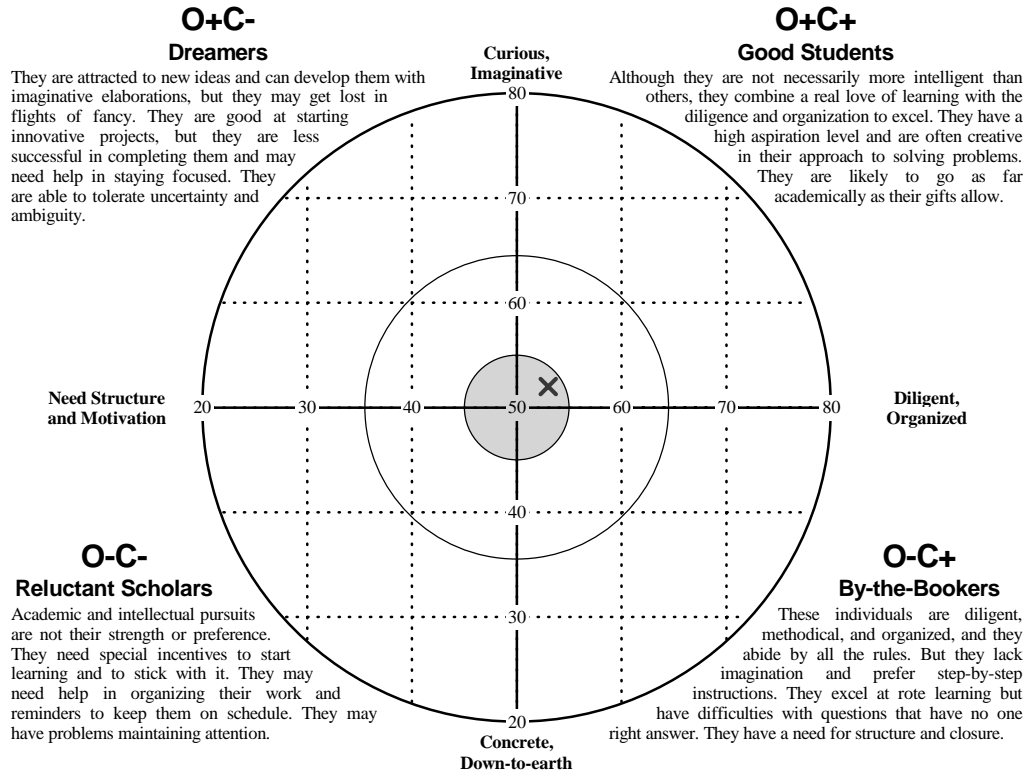


NEO Style Graphs

Style of Learning

Vertical Axis: Openness (= 52 T)

Horizontal Axis: Conscientiousness (= 53 T)



NEO Style Graphs

Style of Character

Vertical Axis: Agreeableness (= 59 T)

Horizontal Axis: Conscientiousness (= 53 T)

