

Week 7 Quiz Summary

- Individuals with borderline personality disorder stand on the border between neurosis and psychosis, exhibiting unstable affect, mood, behaviors, object relations, and self-image.
- They are intensely fearful of abandonment, and their relationships are often intense and unstable. Stress-related mood swings and paranoia, and suicidal behavior or threats of self-harm are common.
- Narcissistic personality disorder is characterized by a heightened sense of self-importance, lack of empathy, and grandiose feelings of uniqueness, though self-esteem may be fragile.
- Individuals with dependent personality disorder exhibit an excessive dependence on others, feeling the need to have others assume responsibility for significant portions of their lives.
- Some patients are helped by β -adrenergic receptor antagonists, such as atenolol, to manage autonomic nervous system hyperactivity.
- Personality disorder categories may be applied to children or adolescents if maladaptive personality traits have been present for at least a year and appear to be persistent, pervasive, and not likely to be limited to a particular developmental stage or other mental disorder. Antisocial personality disorder is an exception. Diagnosis of antisocial personality disorder is not used in individuals younger than 18.

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Personality disorders are characterized by unhealthy thoughts and actions, which interrupt one's day-to-day living. These disorders can be further divided into three clusters: A, the odd and eccentric; B, the dramatic or erratic; and C, the anxious or fearful.

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