

# Short Dark Triad Test (SD3)

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**For Respondents:** Please indicate how much you agree with each of the following statements below.

1. It's not wise to tell your secrets.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

2. I like to use clever manipulation to get my way.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

3. Whatever it takes, you must get the important people on your side.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

4. Avoid direct conflict with others because they may be useful in the future.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

5. It's wise to keep track of information that you can use against people later.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

6. You should wait for the right time to get back at people.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

7. There are things you should hide from other people to preserve your reputation.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

8. Make sure your plans benefit yourself, not others.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

9. Most people can be manipulated.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

10. People see me as a natural leader.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

11. I hate being the center of attention. (R)

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

12. Many group activities tend to be dull without me.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

13. I know that I am special because everyone keeps telling me so.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

14. I like to get acquainted with important people.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

15. I feel embarrassed if someone compliments me. (R)

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

16. I have been compared to famous people.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

17. I am an average person. (R)

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

18. I insist on getting the respect I deserve.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

19. I like to get revenge on authorities.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

20. I avoid dangerous situations. (R)

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

21. Payback needs to be quick and nasty.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

22. People often say I'm out of control.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

23. It's true that I can be mean to others.

1.

Strongly Disagree

2.

Disagree

3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree

4.

Agree

5.

Strongly Agree

24. People who mess with me always regret it.



1.

Strongly Disagree



2.

Disagree



3.

Neither Agree or  
Disagree



4.

Agree



5.

Strongly Agree

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**For issuers of the test:** Please indicate the total and subscale scores below.

**Machiavellianism – Score:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. It's not wise to tell your secrets.
2. I like to use clever manipulation to get my way.
3. Whatever it takes, you must get the important people on your side.
4. Avoid direct conflict with others because they may be useful in the future.
5. It's wise to keep track of information that you can use against people later.
6. You should wait for the right time to get back at people.
7. There are things you should hide from other people to preserve your reputation.
8. Make sure your plans benefit yourself, not others.
9. Most people can be manipulated.

**Narcissism – Score:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. People see me as a natural leader.
2. I hate being the center of attention. (R)
3. Many group activities tend to be dull without me.
4. I know that I am special because everyone keeps telling me so.
5. I like to get acquainted with important people.
6. I feel embarrassed if someone compliments me. (R)
7. I have been compared to famous people.
8. I am an average person. (R)
9. I insist on getting the respect I deserve.

**Psychopathy – Score:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. I like to get revenge on authorities.
2. I avoid dangerous situations. (R)
3. Payback needs to be quick and nasty.
4. People often say I'm out of control.
5. It's true that I can be mean to others.
6. People who mess with me always regret it.

**Total Score:** \_\_\_\_\_