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CUSTODY REPORT

VALIDITY

Morally Proper Responding: Her responses to the MMPI-2 "leaned" in the moral and proper direction. She was hesitant to report various minor faults and shortcomings that the MMPI-2 normative subjects usually did admit. But in contrast to this, the attitude of the average child custody litigant is to respond slightly more properly than she did. The results are definitely within acceptable validity limits, but they may slightly under-represent her areas of psychological problems. Based on scales L, Sd, and a part of K that is not attributable to socioeconomic status.

Subtle Intentional Minimizing: Her scores showed some conscious caution as to what emotional and interpersonal concerns she chose to admit. This included a relatively subtle and sophisticated tendency to underreport her personal discomforts in various areas throughout the test. This caution was slightly more than usual for child custody litigants as well as being appreciably more than average for the MMPI-2 normative sample. The following interpretations of her scores may incompletely reflect some of her interpersonal difficulties. Based mainly on the Mp scale, secondarily on scales S, Sd, and a part of K that is not attributable to socioeconomic status.

Atypical and Deviant Responding: Her scores on the scales measuring unusual responding and overreporting of pathology were well within acceptable limits. There were no indications of any systematic attempt to exaggerate her level of emotional distress or to malingering psychopathology. Based mainly on scales F and Ds and secondarily on scales Fb, Fp, and the difference of raw F minus raw K.

Positive Social Confidence and Self-Esteem: Despite her defensive covering over of problems, her general level of interpersonal effectiveness, social self-confidence, and self-esteem tests as somewhat below average for the MMPI-2 normative group and appreciably below the average for the sample of child custody litigants. She may be seen as having troublesome insecurities, as somewhat distant from others, and/or as having impatient and difficult moods. Based mainly on Block's Ego Resiliency scale (the best MMPI measure I can find for general likableness) and scale K, and secondarily on the Ss scale, ego strength, Do (as autonomy), and an absence of overly self-favorable responding.

PERSONAL STYLE

Cheerful vs. Guilt Issues, Depressed: In addition to the other areas of significant problems reflected in her

responses, she also indicated some unhappiness about her present circumstances. She may be bothered by feelings of the sort that "things just don't quite seem to work out right for me." Negative moods may come and go along with some struggles over acting assertively and with mutually constructive wilfulness. Based mainly the elevation of scale 2--D, with small additional weights for the deepening effects of scales 7--Pt and 8--Sc and low elevations on 9--Ma.

Energy Level: Slow Pace vs. High Energy: She tests as having a somewhat above average level of activity and energy. Her attention is apt to move about, driven by her internal pressures. On occasion she may over-commit to more plans or projects than can be completed on time. Based strongly on scale 9--Ma with secondary weights on the Ma--2 subscale, the type A scale, 9--Ma greater than 4--Pd, and an energizing aspect of 3--Hy greater than 2--D.

Denying and Repressive vs. Frank and Candid: She tests as a somewhat repressive and denying individual. That is, she would be seen as wanting to avoid antagonistic confrontations or perhaps even as physiologically becoming painfully upset when forced to confront someone's anger at her. At times she would also be seen as tending to have "Pollyanna" attitudes and as looking the other way in order not to have to face uncomfortable problems. Based mostly on scale 3--Hy and additionally on indices of repressiveness, i.e., Hy--Subtle and the Repression--Sensitization scale, and the denial elements of scale L.

Level of Health Concerns: The test scores indicate a many preoccupations about her physical health. Such concerns and the associated self-care and self-protections appear to consume a significant part of her consciousness. This may restrict the amount of available activity with and perhaps undivided attention to her child(ren) and lead to various restrictions lest a child be injured or become sick. Based centrally on 1--Hs plus some weights on Hy--obvious and the primacy (or not) of Hs in the code.

Awareness of Her Potential for Interpersonal Provocation: Her awareness of the ways in which she upsets or provokes others appears somewhat uneven. From time to time she may fail to appreciate how her reactions bother or annoy them or why they see her negatively when they feel offended by her. The awareness of interpersonally provocative behaviors is assessed primarily by scores on the Control (Cn) scale. High scorers are typically able to put up a facade and to successfully hide provocative thoughts and aggressive impulses; low scorers have self-justified good intentions with a limited awareness of "bugging" others, this latter being the frequent direction of custody litigant responses. There is also a small influence by weights on L and Mf masculine. Clinical confirmations of these interpretations of Cn have been remarkably strong and consistent.

Oriented Toward Own Agenda vs. Incorporates Others' Interests: When threatened she may orient toward what she sees as suiting her personal interests and toward what fits her own advantage. Momentarily genuine expressions of empathy may be uneven in restraining her future behavior. She might pay uneven attention to the

interests of others--not necessarily excluding her own child(ren)--when she felt seriously challenged. Based strongly on 4--Pd and secondarily on 9--Ma, with an additional weight on how much 4--Pd is predominant in the profile, a small weight on a psychotic tilt in the profile (internally driven ideation), and adjustments for defensive covering over.

Social Shyness vs. Extroversion: She tests as in the ambivert or balanced range, neither particularly extroverted nor introverted. Primarily based on the score on the O--Si scale with small adjustments for the shyness content scale (SOD) regarding visibility of the trait and K for consciously trying to appear social and gregarious.

Level of Day-to-Day Organization: Her scores anticipate recurrent struggles in her level of personal organization. This would be generally adequate but somewhat narrowly effective when dealing with familiar problems and rehearsed responsibilities. She could, however, struggle considerably when confronted with unfamiliar and unexpected adversities. Overall, this anticipates uneven effectiveness in many situations. She may consume a significant amount of time and energy in worrying or in ineffective and distracting activities. Basically the ego strength scale with adjustments for the interference of anxiety (Welsh A) and K to assess for an exaggerated assertion of high or low competence.

ADULT ROLE MODELING

General Emotional Threshold: The stresses and suffering of the divorce/custody context might elicit one or a few intense and possibly dramatic emotional outbursts. Over the longer term, however, her scores anticipate a somewhat elevated threshold for allowing her emotional feelings to surface and be expressively engaged. That is, her emotions would be relatively constricted and carefully modulated, although this is only a mild degree above the average for child custody litigants. A child's unrestrained emotionality could at times be uncomfortable for her and a challenge for her to manage constructively and without tending to suppress the child's natural reactivity.

The larger weight for this variable is on Welsh's scale R, on which high scores anticipate a constriction of one's engagement with one's emotions, i.e., less open and spontaneous expression, briefer intervals of expression or outbursts, and degrees of general inhibition; low scores anticipate relatively immediate if not ongoing emotional reactivity, the person's emotions being relatively obvious and present. Minor weights are for the modulating effects of higher K and disinhibition of lower K scores, the emotionally outgoing quality reflected in low scores on Block's Ego Control (EC--5) scale, and the emotional activation (or not) of scale 9--Ma.

Potential for Self-Centered Actions vs. Other-Centered Reactions: When stressed and threatened, she could pursue her self-interests in occasionally urgent ways, although this potential is at or only slightly greater than average for the child custody litigant sample. In past experiences she may have felt that she has mostly not gotten what she wanted unless she went after it. Such experiences could lower her restraints on her social

forwardness whenever she feels her interests are likely to be blocked. She may show lapses in her anticipation of the adverse consequences of her actions on others or even what might be seen as significant shortcomings in her consideration of normal social expectations. Based substantially on scales 9--Ma and 4--Pd, the "9--4" code just within or close to the normal range being the prototype of the DSM criteria for Narcissism. Several pages of algorithms then include the contributions of coding (rank ordering) effects among the eight basic clinical scales.

Externalizing--Internalizing: Her scores indicate a mixed general balance between seeing some of her problems as external to herself and caused by other people versus an awareness of other problems as being due to her own misjudgments or mistakes. This is based on Welsh's I--E Ratio (internalization--externalization), which is the combined sum of the T--scores on scales 3--Hy, 4--Pd, and 9--Ma as externalizing divided by the sum of the T--scores on scales 1--Hs, 2--D, and 7--Pt as internalizing. This has been expanded to cover a wider range of code positions of these scales along with other small weights.

Linear Focus Under Stress vs. Strained Reasoning: Her scores indicate a potential for some peculiarities or unusual shifts in her stream of thought. When she feels threatened, her ideas may be oddly connected and possibly difficult to follow. At times others may find her behaviors poorly judged or somehow less than appropriate to the circumstances. Some individuals with this pattern can identify closely (occasionally too closely) with children and their vulnerabilities, but if there were any indications of mean or punitive behavior, this latter--as well as the variations of her thinking--would need to be evaluated. Based on scales 6--Pa, 8--Sc, and the Neurotic--Psychotic Index (L. Goldberg).

Interpersonal Functioning: Anxious vs. Self-Comfortable: She reported herself to be suffering from various anxieties and threats and as occasionally doubting her own interpersonal adequacy. At times these state anxieties could interfere with attaining her goals in self-defeating ways. At other times she may be seen as too easily bothered or otherwise having her worries interfere with her closeness to others. The primary weight is the Welsh scale A, Anxiety, elevations on which include a substantial element of social impairment; there are also adjustments for K, for scores on Block's Ego Resiliency (ER--S), and for the ANX content scale.

Ability to Let Go, to Forgive and Forget: Her scores suggest recurring difficulties in being able to forgive and forget, more so than the average child custody litigant. With relatively particular values as to what is right and wrong in marital conduct, at times she could focus on specific past occasions when she felt inconsiderately or cruelly hurt. Such self-righteous resentments would then interfere with letting go and moving on with her life. The parental modeling of judgmental attitudes could lead to imitative judgmentalness by a child, perhaps especially when that child's expectations or wants were frustrated. Most of 12 summed weights involve scale 6--Pa, with special emphasis on the self-righteousness of the Pa3 subscale and the wounded hurt quality of Pa2, as well as the position of scale 6 in the code and the degree to which it is "spiked" above the other scales.

CONTROL ISSUES

Under-controlled and Ascendant vs. Self-Constrained and Rule-Bound: Her item responses suggest relatively strong self-controls. She described herself as a generally responsible person and perhaps as dependably respectful of authority. Her self-portrayal is as an ethical person with stable moral values that might be seen as inflexible and restrictive. When necessary, she may also be willing to accept delays of gratification possibly along with a restraint of personal initiative and self-indulgences. Although her presentation is as respectful, considerate, and fair toward others, the expression of negative feelings may be mildly restrained if not at times hidden. This is somewhat beyond the typical level of child custody litigants and well beyond the average of the MMPI-2 normative sample. It is not clear how much the demands of the evaluative circumstances may have affected the item responses that are relevant to these hypotheses, but she did not show a high degree of conscious defensiveness. Based on the weighting of a series of scales: Responsibility (Re), Block's Ego Control--5 (EC--5), the properness of the L scale, the righteousness of the Pa3 subscale, and the Overcontrolled Hostility scale (O--H).

Low vs. High Decision Control needs: Her scores indicate relatively sharing attitudes in the process of decision--making, as long as her wishes are clearly included in the decision--making process. It should be noted that her level of control needs is at or slightly above the average for the MMPI-2 normative sample but slightly below the average for child custody litigants. Based in part on a series of scales, high Dominance--Autonomy (Do), low Dependency (Dy), the righteous--judgmental aspect of Pa3, and the control aspect of Ma3 subscale. In addition a long complex of weights adds in the code--rank positions of scales 3--Hy, 6--Pa, and 9--Ma, reflecting the three pairwise code combinations which are most characterized by major control issues.

Potential for Antisocial Conduct: The general potential for antisocial behavior appears somewhat above average. There would be at least a mild risk for seriously problematic reactions if she were strongly provoked. Any past history of physically or verbally aggressive acts would, of course, raise questions as to the dependability and effectiveness of future controls. These estimations of antisocial potential should be utilized with caution because her underreporting of her problems may cover over more risk than is reflected by the scores she obtained. Essentially the elevations on scales 4--Pd, 8--Sc, and 9--Ma, the three way combination of which is clearly the antisocial pattern on the MMPI-2, plus minor adjustments for inhibitory factors.

Possible Temper Control Problems: Her scores indicate a mildly above average risk of loss of control over her temper, although her score is only slightly above the average for child custody litigants. Her temper should be reasonably well controlled and not a serious risk. Occasions of acutely frustrated wants and associated aggravation would be most likely to have precipitated any past outbursts. Any such outbursts may be part of a "hold it in and then explode" cycle. Based mainly on elevations on the "temper control triad": 4--Pd, 6--Pa, and 9--Ma with secondary adjustments for alcohol/drug abuse and for the overcontrol and explosive potentials of

the O--H scale; 34 steps of weights.

Vulnerability to Chemical Dependency: She obtained a below average score on indices for chemical dependence (primarily the MAC--R alcoholism scale together with the AAS items). False negatives can occur in this range, but they are very infrequent. This score, along with the absence of more specific responses to individual items reporting problems with chemical agents, indicates that a pattern of long--term abuse or dependence is highly unlikely. This is mainly the Mac--R scale with secondary adjustments from the Addiction Admission Scale (AAS) and from 49/94 and 47/74 codes.

PARENT-CHILD INTERACTIONS POTENTIALS

Quality of Parent-Child Bonding: The depth of her parent--to--child(ren) bonding appears likely to be mostly adequate but sometimes uneven. Observed occasions of positive parent--child interactions are not a guarantee of unconditional parental love; an affection--hungry child can be quite responsive to more than usually received care and attention. At other times her personal interests may have overridden the interests of the child(ren). Any identifiable past occasions when the child's attachment might have been dampened or to a degree turned off in response to less than then--needed nurturance and protection or possibly some underlying degree of indifference to the child's welfare would merit careful consideration. Such "turning off" moments can have adverse effects on the child's longterm capacity to sustain stable interpersonal bonds. This estimation of her capacity for bonding may need a careful evaluation because of her tendency to underreport troubling emotions and possibly unsocial attitudes. Based largely on both the absolute elevation of 4--pd and the relative (code) elevation; minor adjustments for scales 8--Sc, 9--Ma, and Neurotic--Psychotic Index (Goldberg). Although Pd has many expressions depending on the scales with which is combined, it nevertheless has a central focus on the quality---or impairment---of attachment. (Megargee et al. demonstrated this dramatically with their "spike 4" prisoner code as the most completely unattached and never bonded of all prisoner codetypes).

Risk of Alienation of Affection: She tests as disposed to dichotomize someone or various others as either for her or as against her. Thus, she could be quickly sensitive to a child's comments that favored her former spouse over her. This in turn could directly lead to a perception that the former spouse was attempting to alienate the child's (children's) affections. If this were to develop, then her efforts to counteract this would have alienating effects against the other parent. In summary, her potential for reacting in alienating ways could derive from sincere perceptions (whether accurate or not) that the doings of the other spouse had to be counterbalanced.

It should be emphasized that this does not demonstrate alienation as an ongoing issue. That would need observation of confirming behaviors such as how she puts down the other parent or acts to undermine the authority and worthiness of that parent in the eyes of the child(ren). More primarily, it would need for the evaluator to record occasions when the child(ren) expressed such attitudes spontaneously and without parental cueing. Rather, her score on the alienation variable should be viewed as a vulnerability or a potential reaction to

intensely threatening circumstances. Based primarily on scale 6--Pa and the self-righteous subscale Pa3, with small adjustments for whichever of the 7 basic clinical scales the Pa scale is combined when 6--Pa is first or second in the code.

Presentation as a Parent: Role-Played Virtue vs. Sincerity: A presentation as a good parent could be seen by others as illusory role--playing if not somewhat misleading (in a "white lie" or duplicitous sense of emphasizing "responsibilities" more than occasions of spontaneous affection). She would be seen as uneven if not relatively limited in her unconditional positive love for the child(ren). Note that her score on this variable is only about a half to one standard deviation more elevated than the average for the child custody litigant sample, the custody sample being almost a full standard deviation higher than the MMPI-2 normative sample. This combines the absolute elevations of scales 3--Hy and 4--Pd with their code rankings along with minor adjustments for the Control (Cn) and O--H scales. This is to call attention to the ability of the people with 34/43 patterns to role--play ideal parenting and artfully cover over occasions of personal egocentrism, indifference to the child's distress, and abruptly punitive reactions.

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The validity of these ratings derives from two general sources. The first is the decades of research on the basic scales of the MMPI and MMPI-2, on the patterns of interrelationships among these scales, and on information about the wide range of supplemental scales that have additionally been developed. The second source is the consulting and clinical experience in child custody cases of the author, Alex B. Caldwell, Ph.D.. The ratings are not based on research that is specific to these characteristics among child custody litigants because no such body of research exists. Thus, the MMPI-2 is applicable to child custody determinations to the extent that MMPI and MMPI-2 results in general are pertinent to the questions asked in such evaluative procedures.

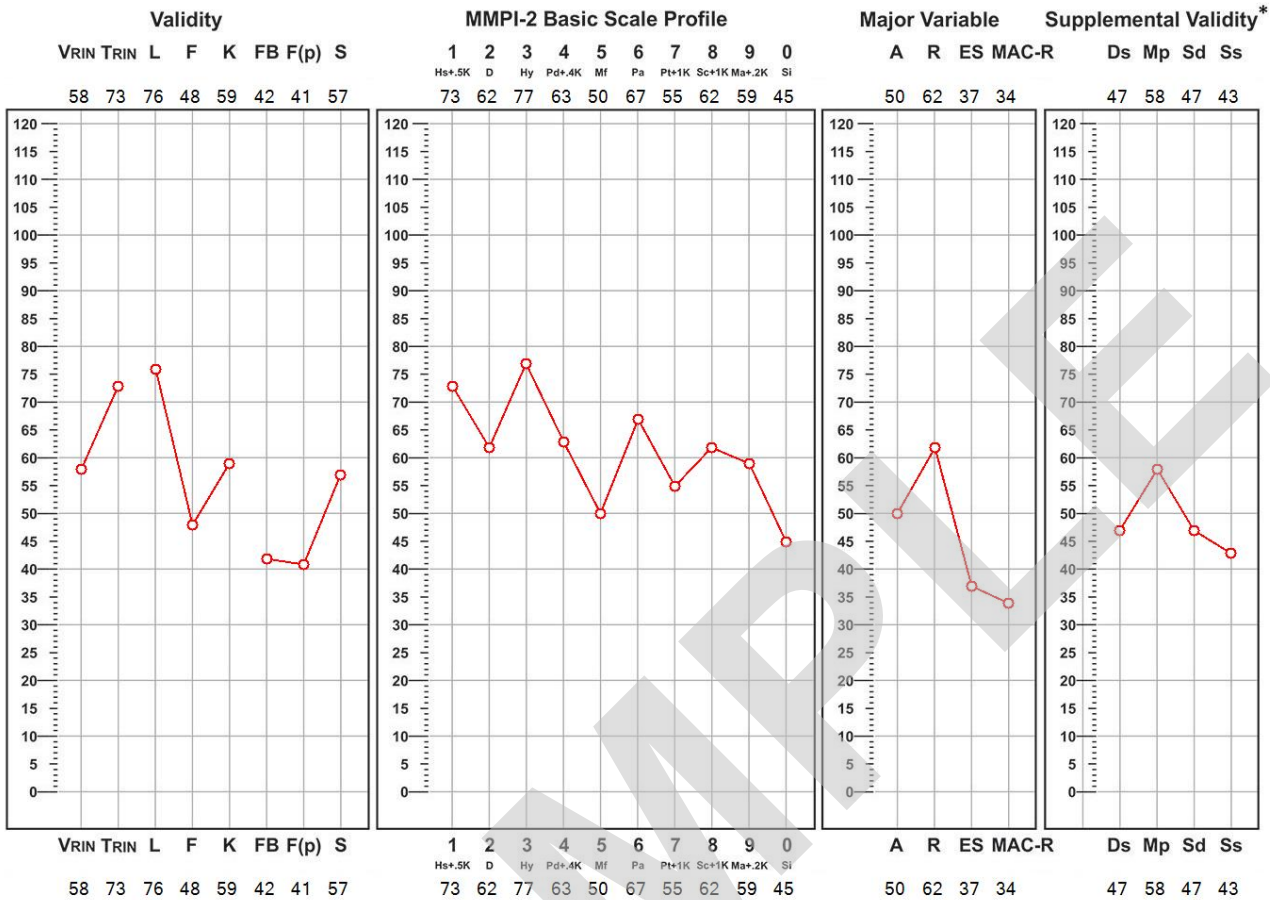
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	RAW	K	RAW+K	T
?	0			
L	9			76
F	3			48
K	19			59
1-(Hs)	14	10	24	73
2-(D)	26			62
3-(Hy)	34			77
4-(Pd)	20	8	28	63
5-(Mf)	36			50
6-(Pa)	15			67
7-(Pt)	11	19	30	55
8-(Sc)	14	19	33	62
9-(Ma)	19	4	23	59
0-(Si)	22			45

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2-D and Subscales

		RAW	T
D	(full scale)	26	62
D1	Subjective depression	12	60
D2	Indecision-retardation	8	62
D3	Health pessimism	5	63
D4	Mental dullness	2	48
D5	Brooding, loss of hope	4	58

3-Hy and Subscales

		RAW	T
Hy	(full scale)	34	77
Hy1	Denies social anxiety	6	61
Hy2	Need for affection	5	42
Hy3	Lassitude - malaise	8	71
Hy4	Somatic complaints	8	69
Hy5	Inhibits aggression	5	62

4-Pd and Subscales

		RAW	T
Pd	(full scale)	20	63
Pd1	Family discord	2	50
Pd2	Authority problems	2	46
Pd3	Social disinhibition	6	64
Pd4	Social alienation	6	60
Pd5	Self-alienation	3	48

5-Mf and Subscales

		RAW	T
Mf	(full scale)	32	0
GM	Gender masculine	32	55
GF	Gender feminine	38	51

6-Pa and Subscales

		RAW	T
Pa	(full scale)	15	67
Pa1	Persecutory ideas	7	81
Pa2	Poignant sensitivity	2	46
Pa3	Moral righteousness	5	50

8-Sc and Subscales

		RAW	T
Sc	(full scale)	14	62
Sc1	Social alienation	6	61
Sc2	Emotional alienation	1	49
Sc3	Ego defect, cognitive	2	55
Sc4	Ego defect, conative	3	54
Sc5	Defective inhibition	1	46
Sc6	Sensorimotor dissociation	3	54

9-Ma and Subscales

		RAW	T
Ma	(full scale)	19	59
Ma1	Opportunism	0	37
Ma2	Psychomotor acceleration	7	60
Ma3	Imperturbability	4	56
Ma4	Ego inflation	3	49

0-Si and Subscales

		RAW	T
Si	(full scale)	22	45
Si1	Shyness and self-consciousness	0	38
Si2	Social avoidance	4	56
Si3	Alienation - self and others	2	41

Major Clinical Variables

	RAW	T
ES Ego strength	28	37
MAC-R Potential alcoholism	13	34
AAS	1	44
Mt College maladjustment	19	60
N-P Neurotic-psychotic profile balance		73

Validity & Stability

	RAW	T
VRIN Response inconsistency	7	58
TRIN T-F inconsistency	6	73F
F-back Rare answers - back	0	42
F(p) Psychiatric infrequency	0	41
S Superlative self-presentation	31	57

Interpersonal Style Variables

	RAW	T
O-H Overcontrolled hostility	20	74
Ho Cynical hostility	19	52

Distress-Control

	RAW	T
PK PTSD	11	54

Content Scales

	RAW	T
HEA Health concerns	12	63
DEP Depression	8	55
FAM Family problems	3	42
ASP Antisocial practices	3	42
ANG Anger	1	36
CYN Cynicism	9	50
ANX Anxiety	9	55
OBS Obsessiveness	4	46
FRS Fears - phobias	6	48
BIZ Bizarre mentation	4	58
LSE Low self-esteem	3	47
TPA Type A	3	38
SOD Social discomfort	5	46
WRK Work interference	8	50
TRT Negative treatment indicators	2	43

Supplemental Scales*

	RAW	T
Ds Overemphasize-fake sick	9	47
Mp Consciously fake good	11	58
Sd Consciously fake good	11	47
Ss SES identification	52	43
Ch Correction for H	20	59
Rc Retest-consistency	27	57
Ic Retest-item change	19	48
Tc Retest-score change	17	53
ER-S Ego resiliency	13	37
EC-5 Ego control	16	57
ORIG Need novelty	17	45
INT Abstract interests	48	50
Do Need for autonomy	15	46
Dy Need reassurances	15	47
Pr Intolerance	8	48
Re Value rigidity	25	62
Et Ethnocentrism	8	43
St Status mobility	18	51
R-S Repression-sensitization	40	52
Lbp Low back pain	14	72
Ba Good teamworker	39	36
Ca Caudality-distress	13	58
Cn Control-facade	21	50
So-r Life as desirable	29	51
Th-r Tired housewife	14	53
Wb-r Worried breadwinner	11	47

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