DISSOCIATIVE DISORDERS

Disorders in which the sense of self has become separated (dissociated) from previous memories, thoughts, or feelings.
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DISSOCIATIVE AMNESIA

A partial or total forgetting of past experiences without organic cause.

Usually in reaction to a traumatic event.
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ORGANIC AMNESIA

Not a dissociative disorder

Results from other medical trauma – (i.e. a stroke, a blow to the head, alcoholism)
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DISSOCIATIVE FUGUE

Characterized by physical relocation and the assumption of a new identity with amnesia of the previous identity. Can last hours, weeks, months or years.
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DISSOCIATIVE IDENTITY DISORDER

Used to be known as Multiple Personality Disorder

Often confused with schizophrenia

People with D.I.D. commonly have a history of childhood abuse or trauma

Unlike schizophrenia, they have two or more distinct identities, are not psychotic and have severe memory lapses
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ILLNESS ANXIETY DISORDER

Characterized by imagined symptoms of illness

A belief that minor issues (headache, upset stomach) are indicative of more severe illnesses
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SOMATOFORM DISORDERS

Disorders in which symptoms take a bodily form without any physical cause

Two types:
  • Conversion disorders
  • Personality disorders
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EATING DISORDERS

BULIMIA NERVOSA
Characterized by binging (eating large amounts of food) and purging (getting rid of the food)

ANOREXIA NERVOSA
Starving one's self to below 85% of their normal body weight. Vast majority are women
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS

Characterized by rapid and lasting behavior patterns that disrupt social functioning

Three main clusters:

- Anxiety
- Odd/eccentric behaviors
- Dramatic/impulsive behaviors
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: ANXIETY

AVOIDANT PERSONALITY DISORDER
Sensitive about being rejected so relationships become difficult

DEPENDENT PERSONALITY DISORDER
Characterized by being clingy and submissive
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: ANXIETY

OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE DISORDER

Overly concerned with certain thoughts and performing certain behaviors

Not as extreme as OCD anxiety disorder
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: ODD/ECCENTRIC

PARANOID PERSONALITY DISORDER
A deep distrust of other people

SCHIZOID PERSONALITY DISORDER
Detachment from social relationships (true hermits)
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: ODD/ECCENTRIC

SCHIZOTYPAL PERSONALITY DISORDER

Characterized by a need for social isolation, odd behavior and thinking, and often unconventional beliefs

Some believe they have magical powers (ESP)

Some believe it is a form of schizophrenia
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: DRAMATIC/IMPULSIVE

BORDERLINE PERSONALITY DISORDER

Characterized by unstable emotions and relationships
Prone to constant mood swings and bouts of anger (sometimes causing themselves injury)
Suicide threats
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: DRAMATIC/IMPULSIVE

ANTISOCIAL PERSONALITY DISORDER

Characterized by a lack of conscience

Prone to criminal behavior

No remorse when they hurt others

Concerned with their own needs
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: DRAMATIC/IMPULSIVE

HISTRIONIC PERSONALITY DISORDER
Characterized by a pattern of excessive emotionality and attention seeking
May act silly or dress provocatively
Individuals are lively, dramatic, enthusiastic and flirtatious
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PERSONALITY DISORDERS: DRAMATIC/IMPULSIVE

NARCISSISTIC PERSONALITY DISORDER
Characterized by an inflated sense of self-importance
Thinking that you are the center of the universe
React to criticism with rage or shame