

Rorschach Pure Form Responses - All Responses on a Record are Pure Form

From: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com [mailto:Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Gérald Lajoie Sent: Tuesday, March 24, 2009 19:15 To: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com Subject: RE: [Rorschach_List] Re: another sexy Sunday question

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From: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com [mailto:Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Barry Ritzler

Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2009 12:55

To: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com

Subject: RE: [Rorschach_List] Lambda when every answer is Pure Form

Steve,

If you're worried, use a 1 as the denominator. However, you know you have a high Lambda (avoidant) person. This could be someone who's being very defensive or someone who doesn't have much adaptive capacity.

Barry

From: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com on behalf of drmigalski@aol.com

Sent: Wed 3/25/2009 1:54 PM

To: Rorschach_List@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [Rorschach_List] Lambda when every answer is Pure Form

What is the value of lambda numerically when every answer of a 22 item protocol was pure form...it is undecipherable mathematically because zero ends up in the denominator. I have never encountered this before today.

Steve

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