**Personality Disorders**

1. What are personality disorders?

2. At what age do they start to exhibit themselves?

3. How are personality disorders different from “regular” disorders, especially personality disorders that have the same name as “regular” disorders?

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| **Characteristics** | **Personality Disorder** |
| \_\_\_\_\_1. Dependent, difficulty making decisions, lack of initiative, reluctant to take responsibility for own life.\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Inflexible, orderly, anxious about time & money, have control issues\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Obsessed with their own success, power, fame; often arrogant; little empathy toward others\_\_\_\_\_4. Disregard toward others & rules; don’t feel much remorse; have a hard time holding a job;\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Unstable moods & relationships; can practice self-mutilation\_\_\_\_\_6. Suspicious of others & their motives; argumentative; often isolated \_\_\_\_\_7. Odd behaviors & beliefs; usually avoid relationships b/c they don’t think they will fit in\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Loners; don’t see point in spending time with others\_\_\_\_\_ 9. Shy or withdrawn; have fear of relationships b/c fear of disapproval of others\_\_\_\_\_ 10. Overly emotional and dramatic; often sexually inappropriate; seek constant attention  | A. ParanoidB. SchizotypalC. BorderlineD. NarcissiticE. DependentF. SchizoidG. Anti-SocialH. HistrionicI. AvoidantJ. Obsessive-Compulsive  |