

PERSONALITY PSYCHOLOGY

Chapter 3

PERSONALITY TRAITS & PRACTICAL MATTERS

- Consider:
 - What's missing from the dominating five-factor model?
 - Is intelligence a personality trait?
 - Is religiosity a personality trait?
 - Is sexuality a personality trait?
 - Is indigeneity a personality trait?

HOW EXACTLY ARE TRAITS EXPRESSED?

- Not through intelligence
- Not through sexuality
- Possibly through religiosity
- Definitely through culture (indigeneity)

CHINESE PERSONALITY

- A sixth factor!
 - Neuroticism
 - Extraversion
 - Openness
 - Agreeableness
 - Conscientiousness
- AND
- Interpersonal Relatedness

OTHER IMPORTANT FINDINGS

- Five main cross-cultural & multicultural findings for the five factors:
 - Questionnaires measuring the five-factor model reliably replicate across many cultures and languages.
 - Adjectival measures of the Big Five reveal variations of N, E, A, and C, BUT NOT O in many cultures.
 - Thus, openness (O) varies across cultures

OTHER IMPORTANT FINDINGS CONT'D.

- Five main findings cont'd.
 - In some cultures more than five factors are needed to fully describe personality (e.g., Chinese).
 - More research is needed on indigenous personality to truly understand why aspects of personality are universal and which are unique to a culture.

RESEARCH ON U.S. PRESIDENTS

- What do you think about U.S. Presidents being found to be lower than average on morality (A), modesty (A), liberalism (O), and higher than the average U.S. American on facets of achievement (C), and emotionality (O)?

OTHER PRACTICAL MATTERS

- What's your favorite music genre?
 - Apparently, your music taste is an extension of your personality!
- What do you think your music taste says about your personality?
- See Tables 3.4 & 3.5 in your textbook

IMPORTANT TERMS TO REMEMBER

- The following terms are introduced to you in the 2nd half of chapter 3:
 - Development (e.g., personality across the life span)
 - Continuity
 - Consistency
 - Change (and Normative Change)
 - Coherence
 - Longitudinal study
 - Individual change
 - Maturation
 - Temperaments

IN THREE SENTENCES OR LESS...

- What are you taking away from chapter 3 about personality?
- What stuck out to you?