

PSYCHOLOGICAL, PHENOMENOLOGICAL AND PARAPSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION OF THE ANOMALOUS/PARANORMAL DETECTION USING OBJECTS-TARGET UTILIZING SPECIALLY SELECTED SUBJECTS

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Abstract

The term "psychometry" is a type of extrasensory perception which allows a "psychic claimants" or "sensitive" to receive impressions using a physical object. The Institute of Paranormal Psychology will develop a research project to explore the principal psychological, phenomenological and parapsychological characteristics of those persons who say to possess extrasensory abilities. The IPP will recruit people who say they possess ESP abilities and people who have had spontaneous extrasensory experiences. The psychological evaluation will include a battery of psychological tests to establish the profile of the sample employing the following instruments: *Sixteen Personality Factors*, *Dissociative Experiences Scale*, *Eysenck Personality Questionnaire*, *Anomalous/Paranormal Experiences Scale*, and *Paranormal Beliefs Scale*. Besides, four parapsychological tests will be administered. To first test the objects-target will be used in order to obtain statements and all other information relevant during the session; to the second test the participants will complete a questionnaire appropriately designed to determine the anatomical or physical characteristics; to the third test personality tests will be administered to a number of subjects; and the fourth test will be designed without using one other objects-target (pictures-target). The purpose of a quantitative evaluation of the psychics' statements is to establish if these statements are more accurate than expected by chance (psychics vs. non-psychics claimants).

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