

Client Information

Client Name **Test Client**

Date of birth (age) 27 January 1979 (42)

Assessment Information

Assessment Brief-COPE (Brief-COPE)

Date administered

25 June 2021

Assessor

Dr Ben Buchanan' Time taken 0 minutes 27 seconds

Results

	Average Score (1 to 4)	Normative Percentile	Clinical Percentile
Problem focussed	2.75	67.2	55
Emotional focussed	2.58	76.2	70
Avoidant coping	2.5	97.2	85

Avoidant

	Average Score (1 to 4)	Clinical Percentile (1 to 99)	
Self-distraction	3	57.5	
Substance Use	1.5	65	
Denial	2	70	
Behavioural disengagement	3.5	95	

Problem Focussed

	Average Score (1 to 4)	Clinical Percentile (1 to 99)
Active coping	3	57.5
Use of informational support	2	30
Positive reframing	3	75
Planning	3	52.5

Emotion Focussed

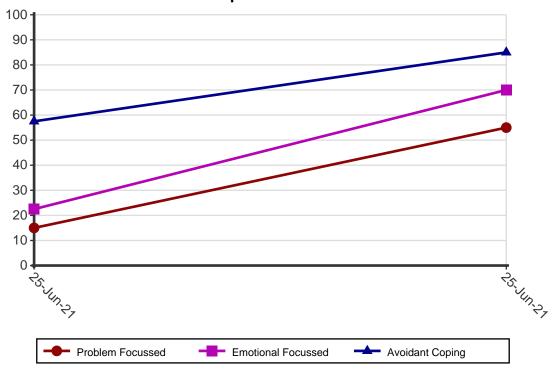
	Average Score (1 to 4)	Clinical Percentile (1 to 99)	
Emotional Support	3	67.5	
Venting	2	37.5	
Humour	1.5	45	
Acceptance	3	60	
Self-blame	3	60	
Religion	3	85	



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Brief-Cope Clinical Percentiles



Scoring and Interpretation Information

Scores are presented for three overarching coping styles as average scores (sum of item scores divided by number of items), indicating the degree to which the respondent has been engaging in that coping style.

- 1 = I haven't been doing this at all
- 2 = A little bit
- 3 = A medium amount
- 4 = I've been doing this a lot

A normative percentile is presented based on data from a nonclinical sample of athletes (Poulus et al., 2020). Interpretation by way of normative percentile helps contextualise results in comparison to typical responses of regular individuals.

In addition, a clinical percentile is presented which compares responses to clients receiving outpatient mental health services. A percentile of 50, for example, represents an average score for a client in psychological therapy, whereas a percentile of 90 indicates that the respondents scored higher than 90 percent of other individuals in treatment.



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Scoring and Interpretation Information (cont.)

During interpretation it is most helpful to look at the pattern of responding across the three subscales. Consistently low scores on all subscales may indicate either:

- (A) the respondent does not feel they have many stressors to cope with. For example, that life is stress free.
- (B) a lack of reflective capacity or resistance to disclose personal information.
- (C) the respondent does not have many coping skills.

The three overarching coping styles are outlined below.

- Problem-Focused Coping (Items 2, 7, 10, 12, 14, 17, 23, 25) Characterised by the facets of active coping, use of informational support, planning, and positive reframing. A high score indicates coping strategies that are aimed at changing the stressful situation. High scores are indicative of psychological strength, grit, a practical approach to problem solving and is predictive of positive outcomes.
- Emotion-Focused Coping (Items 5, 9, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28)

Characterised by the facets of venting, use of emotional support, humour, acceptance, self-blame, and religion. A high score indicates coping strategies that are aiming to regulate emotions associated with the stressful situation. High or low scores are not uniformly associated with psychological health or ill health, but can be used to inform a wider formulation of the respondent's coping styles.

- Avoidant Coping (Items 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, 16, 19) Characterised by the facets of self-distraction, denial, substance use, and behavioural disengagement. A high score indicate physical or cognitive efforts to disengage from the stressor. Low scores are typically indicative of adaptive coping.

In addition to the three overarching subscales, scores are presented for the below 14 facets. Individual examination of the questions can pinpoint adaptive or maladaptive styles of coping and be useful for eliciting a discussion with the respondent.

Scores are also presented for each of the following facets:

- Active coping, items 2 & 7 (Problem-Focused)
- Use of informational support, items 10 & 23 (Problem-Focussed)
- Positive reframing, items 12 & 17 (Problem-Focused)
- Planning, items 14 & 25 (Problem-Focused)
- Emotional support, items 5 & 15 (Emotion-Focused)
- Venting, items 9 & 21 (Emotion-Focused)
- Humor, items 18 & 28 (Emotion-Focused)
- Acceptance, items 20 & 24 (Emotion-Focused)
- Religion, items 22 & 27 (Emotion-Focused)
- Self-blame, items 13 & 26



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Scoring and Interpretation Information (cont.)

- (Emotion-Focused)
 Self-distraction, items 1 & 19 (Avoidant)
- Denial, items 3 & 8 (Avoidant)
- Substance use, items 4 & 11 (Avoidant)
- Behavioral disengagement, items 6 & 16 (Avoidant)

If the scale is administered more than once results will be graphed over time, indicating the degree to which coping strategies have changed.

CI	Client Responses				
		I haven't been doing this at all	A little bit	A medium amount	I've been doing this a lot
1	I've been turning to work or other activities to take my mind off things.	1	2	3	4
2	I've been concentrating my efforts on doing something about the situation I'm in.	1	2	3	4
3	I've been saying to myself "this isn't real".	1	2	3	4
4	I've been using alcohol or other drugs to make myself feel better	1	2	3	4
5	I've been getting emotional support from others.	1	2	3	4
6	I've been giving up trying to deal with it.	1	2	3	4
7	I've been taking action to try to make the situation better.	1	2	3	4
8	I've been refusing to believe that it has happened.	1	2	3	4
9	I've been saying things to let my unpleasant feelings escape.	1	2	3	4
10	I've been getting help and advice from other people.	1	2	3	4
11	I've been using alcohol or other drugs to help me get through it.	1	2	3	4
12	I've been trying to see it in a different light, to make it seem more positive.	1	2	3	4
13	I've been criticizing myself.	1	2	3	4
14	I've been trying to come up with a strategy about what to do.	1	2	3	4



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CI	Client Responses (cont.)				
		I haven't been doing this at all	A little bit	A medium amount	I've been doing this a lot
15	I've been getting comfort and understanding from someone.	1	2	3	4
16	I've been giving up the attempt to cope.	1	2	3	4
17	I've been looking for something good in what is happening.	1	2	3	4
18	I've been making jokes about it.	1	2	3	4
19	I've been doing something to think about it less, such as going to movies, watching TV, reading, daydreaming, sleeping, or shopping.	1	2	3	4
20	I've been accepting the reality of the fact that it has happened.	1	2	3	4
21	I've been expressing my negative feelings.	1	2	3	4
22	I've been trying to find comfort in my religion or spiritual beliefs.	1	2	3	4
23	I've been trying to get advice or help from other people about what to do.	1	2	3	4
24	I've been learning to live with it.	1	2	3	4
25	I've been thinking hard about what steps to take.	1	2	3	4
26	I've been blaming myself for things that happened	1	2	3	4
27	I've been praying or meditating	1	2	3	4
28	I've been making fun of the situation.	1	2	3	4