

## Answers to "The Murder: A Psychological Analysis" Questions

1. Who is the author? What is the author's occupation?

The author is Eric A. Zillmer and his occupation is a forensic neuropsychologist.

2. Is the hook catchy? Explain.

Yes. Because it began by giving the background details and the plot before he entered the jail and spoke with Tony.

3. How did you respond to the image at the beginning of the article?

I think it looks like a butterfly.

4. Who is the primary audience?

The primary audience is the readers who want to know more about the Rorschach inkblot psychological test and the process of how Zillmer is conducting this test.

5. What is a Rorschach inkblot test and what does it tell you?

The Rorschach test is a projective psychological test in which subjects' perceptions of inkblots are recorded and then analyzed using psychological interpretation, complex algorithms, or both. It can be used to examine a person's personality characteristics and emotional functioning

6. Describe Tony. What does he look like? How does he act and speak? Give an example.

Tony is a 17 years old teenager and also a spree killer, he was "brought down the hallway dressed in an orange prison jump suit", and his chin was tinged with a thin goatee.

"Tony shoots back as he pushes the card away visibly upset with the inkblot." "within one second his demeanor has suddenly changed" shows that he had an unstable mental status and a disability in expressing his emotions and feelings correctly.

7. What is the angle of this profile?

The angle of this profile is that analyzing a murderer using the psychological approach and the results of it may not be what we expected.

8. Good profiles "show, instead of telling" such as using vivid details. Give an example of showing instead of telling used in the essay.

"I remind Tony that most people can see something in every inkblot, trying to encourage him." "Tony, it is good to see you..." By using the dialog and thoughts in mind, the author shows the story more vividly.

9. A profile cannot be complete without primary research. What kind of primary research did the author use and how effective was it? Explain.

The primary research the author used is his psychological interview with Tony, by using this primary source, the story became very detailed.

10. What is the dominant impression you are left with after you finished reading the article? Explain.

The dominant impression for me after finishing reading the article is that it can be difficult to determine whether a person is mentally stable or not, the psychological analysis can only be part of the inspections of human mind.