Psychopathy – Fact or Fiction?

Directions: For each of the following statements indicate if you believe that it is fact or fiction.

1. _______________ Almost all individuals currently being held in maximum-security prisons meet the criteria for psychopathy.

2. _______________ There are over 29,000,000 psychopaths worldwide and a psychopath is born every 47 seconds.

3. _______________ Psychopaths are less likely to commit new crimes after being released from prison than other inmates due to their unusually high intellect.

4. _______________ Psychosis and psychopathy are similar conditions.

5. _______________ There are approximately 500,000 adult male psychopaths in the United States.

6. _______________ Some forms of group therapy may make psychopaths more likely to commit new crimes following release from prison than no treatment at all.

7. _______________ The FBI estimates there are as many as fifty active serial killers in the United States.

8. _______________ Incarceration in a maximum-security juvenile prison can cost $514,00 per year per youth.

9. _______________ Psychopaths frequently also have a diagnosis of obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD)

10. _______________ The terms psychopath and sociopath are both used today to describe the same diagnosis.

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