

Division of the Mind

Parental Ambivalence

Parents both love and hate themselves and extend both reactions to their productions, i.e., their children.

Parental Nurturance



Parental Rejection, Neglect Hostility



Parental Nurturance





Self-System

Unique make-up of the individual; harmonious identification and incorporation of parent's positive attitudes and traits; and the effect of experience and education on the maturing self-system.

Personal Goals



<u>Needs</u>

<u>Wants</u>



Food



Thirst

Sex

Achievement

Affiliation

Activity

Meaning



Love

Compassion for Others

Generosity

Safety



Personal Conscience

Moral Principles



Ethical Behavior



Integrity





Parental Rejection, Neglect, Hostility Other Factors: accidents, illnesses, death anxiety

Anti-Self System

The Fantasy Bond (core defense) is a self-parenting process made up of two elements: the helpless, needy child, and the self-punishing, self-nurturing parent. Either aspect may be extended to relationships. The degree of defense is proportional to the amount of damage sustained while growing up.



Anti-Self System

Self-Punishing Voice Process

<u>Voice Process</u>

1. Critical thoughts toward self



2. Micro-suicidal injunctions



3. Suicidal injunctions – suicidal ideation

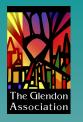


Behaviors

Verbal self-attacks – a generally negative attitude toward self and others predisposing alienation.

Addictive patterns. Self-punitive thoughts after indulging.

Actions that jeopardize, such as carelessness with one's body, physical attacks on the self, and actual suicide



Source

Critical parental attitudes, projections, and unreasonable expectations.

Identification with parents defenses

Parents' covert and overt aggression (identification with the aggressor).

Anti–Self System

Self-Soothing Voice Process

Voice Process

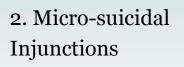


1a) Aggrandizing thoughts toward self.



1b) Suspicious paranoidthoughts towards others.







3. Overtly Violent thoughts

Behaviors

Verbal build up toward self.

Alienation from others, destructive behavior towards others.

Addictive patterns. Thoughts luring the person into indulging.

Aggressive actions, actual violence.

<u>Source</u>

Parental build up

Parental attitudes, child abuse, experienced victimization.

Imitation of parents' defenses.

Parental neglect, parents' overt aggression (identification with the aggressor).

