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Thread: [are blackhat hackers sociopaths?](#)

vagabond - October 4, 2018, 10:02 am

do u think that blackhat hackers are sociopaths? or do u think its easier to be a blackhat hacker online because of the disconnect from reality? let me know !

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SirLord - October 4, 2018, 10:05 am

Not really, there are a lot of other reason to be a "blackhat hacker" and not every blackhat hacker hacks people..

emotionull - October 4, 2018, 10:06 am

that's actually a really good question. In a sense it is very disconnected but you have to have it in you to do the things you do.

Axe - October 4, 2018, 10:09 am

Wouldn't that be like saying every criminal is a sociopath? I really doubt it.

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sh4moon - October 4, 2018, 10:13 am

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(Oct 4, 2018 10:12 AM)ChapMatt Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Couldn't it be for the thrill, challenge and/or revenge? I'd consider that time waste. :p

sh4moon - October 4, 2018, 10:25 am

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PerfectStorm - October 4, 2018, 10:29 am

I don't think they would be, some may but not the majority.

Ømen XIII - October 4, 2018, 10:30 am

It's just an easier way to make money really, I don't see it having to do with being a sociopath lol

S2K - October 4, 2018, 10:31 am

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sh4moon - October 4, 2018, 10:32 am

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True. You can be any combination of intelligent and sociopath. Some aren't intelligent or sociopathic though.

SirLord - October 4, 2018, 11:01 am

(Oct 4, 2018 10:10 AM)Avalerion Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) It's either money or fame. I don't see other reasons. There are more reasons except these, but yeah, probably the biggest reason is money.

Silent Uprising - October 4, 2018, 11:34 am

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emotionull - October 4, 2018, 11:52 am

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Voltaire - October 4, 2018, 12:01 pm

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Omniscient - October 4, 2018, 12:24 pm

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Not necessarily

Omniscient - October 4, 2018, 12:26 pm

Quote:I don't agree with that. I believe most of them doing for just fun.

When committing crime and hurting others is fun, that's a sociopath. My guess, that's you.

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It would be interesting to find out how many sociopaths or people who have sociopath tendencies are on HF.

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Of course, but it still doesn't mean they're a sociopath, or want to watch the world burn. Depends on the person I guess.

PolyGram - October 4, 2018, 12:37 pm

no but i hear jake paul is one

CyberStrike - October 4, 2018, 1:03 pm

I am not a blackhat, but I have always seen the world differently. For example a country wants to purchase land from a neighbor well now there are a few ways to get it, purchase with money, purchase with colonization, or we purchase with lives. bribery, extortion or whatever in the end the result is the same at least to me. I have this demanding screw feelings at the end of the day completing objectives will be all that matters side, it's an off an on switch.

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sh4moon - October 4, 2018, 1:06 pm

(Oct 4, 2018 12:32 PM)emotionull Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) A hacker with malicious intent. It could be monetary gain but there's still some underlying issue that allows them to be able to do what they do. It's not exactly an underlying issue. Unless you mean being able to brush their conscience aside. Maybe they're just trying to provide for their family. Black hats do illegal things, but it doesn't necessarily make them bad people. Good people do bad things sometimes.

Banter. - October 4, 2018, 1:07 pm

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Maybe, I do think there's a "sociopath spectrum", where some people are more sociopathic than others but not fully immoral. But what do I know, Im not a shrink

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spradebassen - October 4, 2018, 1:20 pm

blackhatters and those who claim to be, are often people with autism

Niko - October 4, 2018, 1:22 pm

It really depends, some people just do what they have to in order to get by in life _(?)_/_

Fein - October 4, 2018, 1:22 pm

I don't think all Black hats are sociopaths, I think what drives somebody to do what they do is what goes on in their lives. Not only their psyche. Income, home-life, etc. I have met a couple "Sociopaths" that were black hats although they were eventually arrested. So, not all of them are. (I believe anyway.)

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ZeekHD - October 4, 2018, 1:29 pm

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Lukas - October 4, 2018, 1:36 pm

By the defined term, to an extent, everyone in the world is a form of sociopath or has sociopathic qualities.

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Your motivations determine you more than your actions if you ask me. Actions do affect it, but the underlying motive matters more.

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ye, we all know how often sociopaths CRAVE attention

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Business - October 4, 2018, 3:11 pm

You can't call an entire group of people psychopaths. The odds of a large amount of people ALL BEING PSYCHOPATHS is highly unlikely.

Cød3ing - October 4, 2018, 7:35 pm

That's the equivalent of asking if a criminal is a psychopath, it's very subjective.

BobRoss - October 4, 2018, 9:22 pm

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sh4moon - October 4, 2018, 9:31 pm

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Lion's Share - October 4, 2018, 9:37 pm

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That's basically a grey hat. They're on the illegal side of things, but don't have malicious intent generally.

Who Soup - October 4, 2018, 9:43 pm

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Lion's Share - October 4, 2018, 9:47 pm

Plus blackhat hackers that deal with carding in my opinion aren't that bad either. The "people" they steal from are really the evil banks. The banks always refund the account holder in these situations.

Business - October 4, 2018, 10:05 pm

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Oh were you talking to me? Lol not quite buddy. Nice try though.

Reversman - October 6, 2018, 4:04 pm

I mean they want to show how much power they have

that to me is a sociopath

mObile - October 6, 2018, 4:35 pm

I took this sociopath test:

<http://www.playbuzz.com/joycemartin10/can-you-pass-the-sociopath-test>

Results say:

You Might Be a Sociopath

Quote:According to this test, you have a little something in common with sociopaths. You are not fully there, but you do demonstrate a little antisocial behavior from time to time, and it's a little hard for you to follow certain social rules.

The good news is that you do follow your heart, you love some people, you care about the ones in your life, and you do help those around you (every once in a while). Hey, aren't we all a little anti-social sometimes??

#Skyline - October 6, 2018, 8:57 pm

True you say this, known plenty with confirmed mental issues.