

Extraverted Spiritual Intellectual

Typical Quote: "Able to leap tall buildings with a single bound" – Anon

Extraverted Spiritual Intellectual ("*extraverted SIs*" for short) have the Spiritual mental function (*including creativity/ originality*) most conscious in their mind, and therefore they are most aware of it and in control of this function. Their Intellectual mental function (*including critiquing/ analysing*) is also likely to be very conscious by the time they are adult. The other two mental functions E (*Emotional-including harmonising/ sympathising*) and P (*Physical-including details/ practicality*) are most in their sub-conscious and therefore they may not naturally be so competent at managing these.

General Summary

"Clever" is the word that perhaps describes extraverted SIs best. The professor who juggles half a dozen ideas for research papers and grant proposals in his mind while giving a highly entertaining lecture on an abstruse subject is a classic example of the type. So is the stand-up comedian whose lampoons are both funny and incisively accurate.

Extraverted SIs are usually verbally as well as cerebrally quick, and generally love to argue -- both for its own sake, and due to their gift of readily viewing both sides to any issue. This skill infiltrates their sense of humour, and they can enjoy playing devil's advocate. This can sometimes confuse or anger those who do not understand or accept the concept of argument as a sport.

Extraverted SIs are as innovative and ingenious at problem-solving as they are at verbal gymnastics; but may outsmart themselves by cutting corners without regard to the rules if it is expedient. Ultimately their juggling acts may simply be so over-ambitious they collapse. Both at work and at home, extraverted SIs are very fond of new knowledge or experiences -- physical or intellectual. Once these have been "conquered" or become too familiar, however, they'll likely move on to the next.

Extraverted SIs are basically optimists, but in spite of this they can become petulant about small setbacks and/or details while big-picture problems are regarded as challenges, and tackled with determination. Extraverted SIs have little patience with those they consider wrongheaded or narrow-minded, and show little restraint in demonstrating this. In general, however, they are genial, even charming, with great wit and quick conversation.

Key Attributes

Inventor

(MBTI Equivalent: ENTP)
 (Style: *Ideator first, Scientist second*)
 5.3% of Australian Population*



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Typical Strengths:

They are adaptable and enthusiastic people who can get along with and in very diverse groups. They are imaginative, often visionary, and natural initiators who generate many ideas.

Typical Development Areas:

They may miss important details or find it hard to remain focussed on one thing. They tend to dislike organising details and may lack follow through. They may be impatient, appear blunt and be rebellious.

“Possible Shadow Side” (Mental Function deepest in the Sub-Conscious Mind)

The Physical function of extraverted ESs is deepest in their sub-conscious and if they become stressed then they tend to be drawn ineffectively into their physical mental state. Under stress they can become forgetful, negatively preoccupied with their physical needs and focus on the facts to an extreme. Any organisational skills they may have tend to markedly reduce.

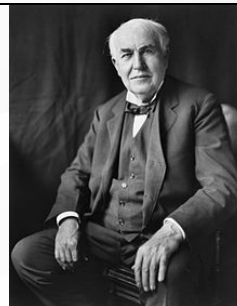
Famous Extraverted SIs

Common Frustration for Others: They may generate too many actions.



Walt Disney

American business magnate and film director



Thomas Edison

American Inventor



Benjamin Franklin

A Founding Father of the United States



Catherine the Great

Empress of Russia

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