# **Hare Psychopathy Checklist-Revised (PCL-R)**

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Developed to assess symptoms of psychopathy, the **Hare Psychopathy Checklist-Revised (PCL-R)** is a diagnostic tool which allows people to rate their psychopathic or antisocial habits. The PCL-R is used for legal, clinical, or research purposes as a indicator of potential risk posed by subject or prisoners.

Two parts are include the Hare PCL-R test: a interview and a review of the subject's file records and history. During the assessment, the administrator answers a 20-item test measuring psychopathic traits. Completion time is 90 to 120 minutes. The second edition (or revised edition) is the current version of the test.

#### **Author**

Robert D. Hare (2003)

#### Where to Purchase

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# Reliability and Validity

The Hare Psychopathy Checklist is an established instrument for measuring psychopathy. Hare's used a sample of 4,981 prison inmates and 1,246 inmates to calculate an alpha coefficient of 0.87 for both. Interrater reliability was also very high according to Rogers (2001). For a 5-year time period, the test-retest coefficient was presented at 0.89 (Schroeder, Schroeder, and Hare, 1983). Validity has been supported factor analysis studies (Hare, Harpur, Hakistan, Forth, & Hart, 1990) using samples of prisoner and forensic inpatients.

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