

Intrapersonal Proneness to Conflict as a Disposition in Foreign and Russian Psychology

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The article views intrapersonal proneness to conflict as a personal disposition. We have made an attempt to interpret proneness to conflict from the point of view of traits theory. The article overviews opinions of Russian psychologists that deal with proneness to conflict from the perspective of consciousness problem. Proneness to conflict is viewed through the idea of a personality that possesses an in-born set of dispositions, which allow it to react in a steady and certain way in different situations. The article presents Gordon Willard Allport's statement that the quality of personal maturity is opposed to inner proneness to conflict. The article examines the point of view, which states that threat is closely interconnected with experiencing anxiety, emotional strain, and personal anxiety is a thorough personal characteristic, that acts as a predictor of a neurotic conflict and psychosomatic disorders. The article presents Hans Jürgen Eysenck's research results that prove that emotion of fear is fixed at the physiological level and can be consistent in emotionally unstable persons. We view Karl Leonhard's personal accentuation concept, which shows that certain personal formations, notwithstanding hereditary determination can be developed under the influence of certain types of psychological traumas or difficult life situations.

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