

Narrow-Minded

Synonyms: opinionated, intolerant, biased, limited, restricted, rigid

He tends to throw up barriers between himself and others which prevent him from listening to their needs and concerns. Instead, he sticks with his preconceived ideas of right and wrong.

He has a particular way of doing things that he considers 'the right way'. In every part of his life and work, he knows exactly how he wants things done, done to the last detail.

Her forcefulness of personality and need to be right all the time can make her seem abrasive to more timid types.

Because you have such a strong belief in yourself, you may sometimes forget to listen to the needs and wishes of those closest to you, thinking that you already know what is good for them. You may want to consider being more open to their thoughts and feelings.

A person of strong opinions, you believe in doing things in a particular way. When others step outside the bounds of what you consider appropriate, you can be quite abrupt in the way you deal with them, sharply criticizing their conduct.

Her outlook seems to be limited or narrowed to fit her own way of thinking. She may need to become a better listener to gain optimum benefits from the views of others.

There is a kind of fanaticism in this decidedly opinionated person who staunchly squats on one's ideas and insists others must agree with her.

The fact that this individual is so opinionated and narrow-minded makes it impossible for him to progress beyond a certain point. He insists on sticking with the same old views, regardless of evidence that they are outmoded.

Being forced to give up her long-held opinions is very threatening to this individual. By admitting there may be a better way, she feels as if she is saying "I was wrong," and that is unbearable for her.

Perhaps it was a strict religious upbringing that closed this person's mind.

He is quite satisfied with the principles and standards that he learned as a child and is not at all open to more progressive views.

This applicant has a preference for working alone, uninterrupted, with a narrow view to one specific area at a time. This may be to the exclusion of its relationship to the whole and could interfere with a "big picture" view of the operation.

A certain unwillingness to listen to others and their ideas indicates that the writer's thought patterns have become fixed and rigid.

Subordinates may feel that their input is neither listened to nor considered important to the operation.

Restricted in her desire to listen to others and to gain self-knowledge, her full growth potential is stifled.

This is someone who is inclined to interpret situations in a subjective and self-protective manner.

His exalted opinion of self could well distort judgment and decision making, as well as cause isolation from associates and their opinions.

Here is an individual suffering from myopia. Her mental energies are directed so exclusively to one task or one specific problem that the significance of the larger picture suffers.

Feeling apprehensive about moving from a secure position into the unknown hampers the freedom to change and grow.

A closed mind diminishes the ability to make objective and unbiased decisions.