Rorschach DR or ALOG Responses Definitions

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imaginary hat?

On Thursday, November 13, 2008 4:06 AM Gérald Lajoie wrote:

I also think the first response has a DR flavor just the way you describe it. Has also a Confab zest... she sees feathers so she needs a hat to hold them.

I am not so sure **about DR** which pertains with **impaired communication of thoughts** (the subject is not able to control his/her rambling style of thinking and to solve the discrepancy between inner rambling and verbal output). The way Bob described the logic underlying the response seems more related to the process of representational formation rather than communicating what the subject thinks. I do not know actually if the CS has some Special Scores that fits with this response.

But DR or ALOG, I still would like to have a better understanding of this type of logic. Is it something impulsive? Or perhaps a playful or not so playful stretching of reality, but not that far?

Watching at the two responses from your perspective, it seems the subject is prone to superimpose her representations (wishes, feelings, thoughts, ideas, and drives) to the external stimuli and in doing that she is losing some contacts with reality, of course. I would look at the rest of the indices. This free logic might indicate creativity (sort of divergent thinking or regression at the service of the Ego) or slightly disordered thoughts (psychotic-like) whether other scores indicate how much she is able to be grasped to reality testing. Shira Tibon's Reality-Fantasy Scale might help at this regard.

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