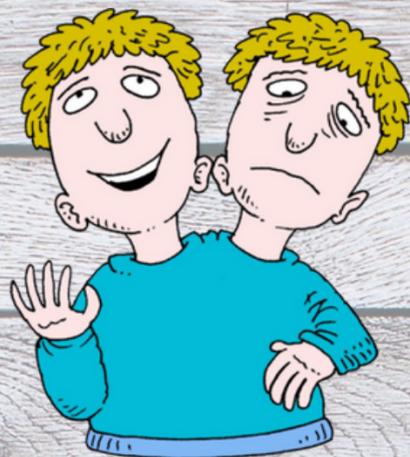




Simple-Minded



Double-Minded



Weak-Minded



Sick-Minded

MINDSET

7 Mindsets that hold us back in life

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High-Minded



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AND SON**

Closed-Minded



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Mindset #1

"Closed-Minded"



"Closed-Minded"

***Not willing to consider different
or new ideas!***

Main Idea

The rate at which you learn and progress in life depends on how willing you are to weigh the merit of new ideas, even if you don't instinctively like them.

Characteristics

- **Closed minds normally always have open mouths!**
- **Closed minds are very judgmental, opinionated, and full of criticism!**
- **Closed minds are oblivious to the world outside of their opinions and experience!**
- **Closed minds receive common feedback that they discount as “their opinion”!**
- **Closed minds are defensive and combative when challenged!**

Characteristics

- **Closed minds can't remain neutral and they demonize anything opposite of what it believes!**
- **Close minded people have an experience and build a wall around that experience and shut the door!**
- **Close minds tend to globalize local things!**
- **Closed minds struggle with**
 - **Saying I am sorry or I am wrong**
 - **Asking questions**
 - **Considering the other side**
 - **Saying I am uncomfortable, but I am open.**

Why being closed minded is a hindrance!

- **It hurts people!**
- **It hurts you!**
- **It keeps you stuck and you don't even notice it until its too late!**
- **It creates a lot of unnecessary arguments!**
- **It alienates and offends people!**

Why being closed minded is a hindrance!

- **It communicates I am right, and you need to listen or you are wrong for not seeing it my way!**
- **You only know in part. So you form cemented positions on incomplete data and experiences!**
- **You look crazy and lose credibility with competent people!**

How to have an open Mind

Have enough empathy to understand perspective

Philippians 2:2 So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, 2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. 3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. 4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

How to have an open Mind

Listen with the intent to understand!

**James 1:19 This you know, my beloved brethren.
But everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak
and slow to anger; 20 for the anger of man does not
achieve the righteousness of God.**

How to have an open Mind

Allow yourself to be challenged and ask questions!

Proverbs 11:14 Where there is no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety.

How to have an open Mind

Pray for enlightenment!

Ephesians 1:18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

How to have an open Mind

Seek truth!

John 8: 31 So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, “If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”