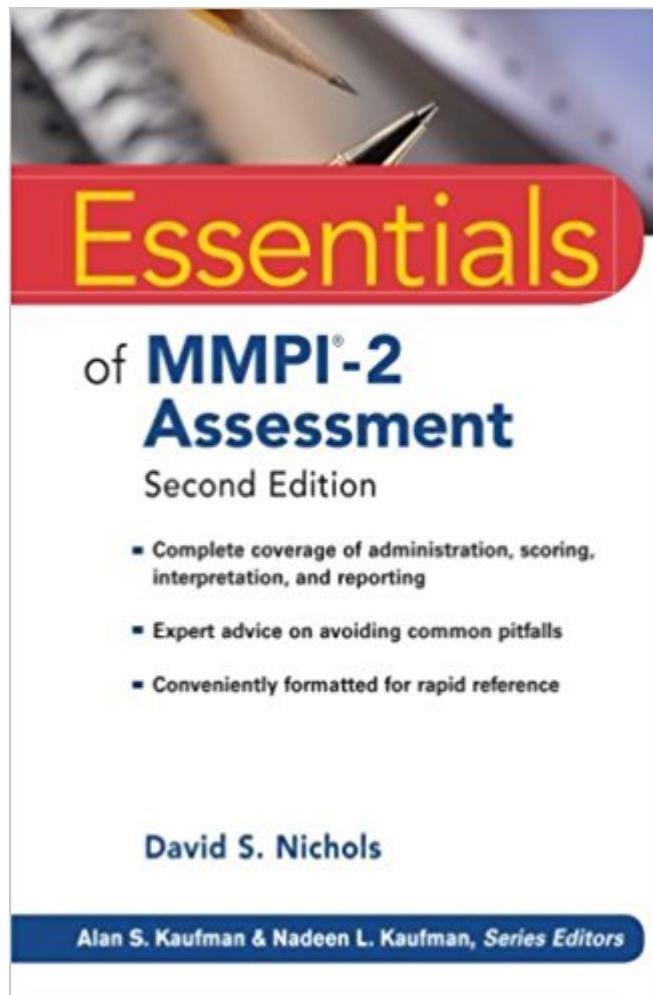


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David S. Nichols, PhD, worked as a staff clinical psychologist for Oregon State Hospital in Portland for twenty-seven years. He has conducted research on and written about the MMPI® for more than thirty years.

I agree with Dr. Rogers that this book is an invaluable reference for the psychologist or other mental health professional who seeks a comprehensive yet succinct text to help interpret MMPI-2 profiles. Some of the characteristics of the book I particularly like are:^{*} Very well researched with up-to-date references to the studies that support the author's statements.^{*} Very well-written and easy to follow yet sophisticated in its language and articulation of often complex interpretive issues.^{*} Frequent descriptions of the heterogeneity or homogeneity of individual scales and subscales, which is crucial to understanding how to best interpret scores. In a similar vein, the author also frequently calls attention to the correlation between subscales, which also is important to help aid interpretation.^{*} The "Rapid Reference" boxes provide a nice overview of important features of a scale.^{*} Providing the following for every scale: Presenting Problem, Symptomatic Pattern, Interpersonal Relations, Behavioral Stability, Defenses, History, Diagnostic Considerations, and Treatment Considerations. Although I too like to have the classics (e.g., Greene, Graham) available, if I had to choose only one MMPI-2 interpretive text it would be *Essentials of MMPI-2 Assessment*.

First class work with in depth look at the clinical scales, and all the other scales and interpretations of the various combinations. If a person wasn't in the mental health profession, however, it would

not be an easy or appealing book. But for those who administer and interpret the MMPI-2 it is of much benefit. Congratulations to Dr. David Nichols.

I find this book to be a valuable resource when testing clients. The MMPI-2 is a very valuable test, the gold standard of psychological personality assessments, however it must be interpreted by a clinician. One cannot just read the computer generated report and think one has the full picture. One must understand all of the layers of the test and combine one's clinical knowledge. This book helps understand all of the layers of the test.

David Nichols provides detailed, easy-to-understand guidance for assessing psychopathology and personality using the MMPI-2. As a graduate student in clinical psychology, I found this book extremely helpful in evaluating MMPI-2 profiles. The book we are using in my Assessment of Personality course - Newmarks' Major Psychological Assessment Instruments, was simply too dry and academic. I purchased Essentials to help me understand the powerful MMPI-2. It worked! In class, when called upon to provide my own assessment of MMPI-2 profiles, I was able to quickly make sound judgments. Other students were amazed. In fact, the professor asked: "How did you know that?" When I shared I was using Nichols' book, he exclaimed; "That explains it. That book is excellent."Essentials includes far greater detail on potential 2, 3, and 4 code profiles. In addition, it includes insight into the history, treatment and prognosis of individuals with various clinical scale, validity scale, and profile code scores. It also includes detailed information on the clinical and normal groups and validation stragy used for each scale. Many tables also provide quick references for later use.

I love this series. They're very helpful for assessments. Required reading for graduate courses and I'm so glad they were because they're a great companion.

as advertised-I wish it was available on audio

The book was excruciatingly detailed, far more of the interrelationships within the test than I was looking for. This was very complicated and DEFINITELY not a text to use for those unfamiliar with the test. At the same time, it was so thorough it serves as an excellent reference book.

ClAssic text! Difficult at first but once you understand the format it is amazing .aligned with the dsm5

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