Issues in Personality

Indicate the extent to which you agree with each of the following statements using the following response scale. Place the appropriate number in the blank before each item.

1 = strongly disagree
2 = disagree
3 = neutral
4 = agree
5 = strongly agree

1. _____ Events that occurred during childhood have no effect on one’s personality in adulthood.
2. _____ Sexual adjustment is easy for most people.
3. _____ Culture and society have evolved as ways to curb human beings’ natural aggressiveness.
4. _____ Little boys should not become too attached to their mothers.
5. _____ It is possible to deliberately “forget” something too painful to remember.
6. _____ People who chronically smoke, eat, or chew gum have some deep psychological problems.
7. _____ Competitive people are no more aggressive then noncompetitive people.
8. _____ Fathers should remain somewhat aloof to their daughters.
9. _____ Toilet training is natural and not traumatic for most children.
10. _____ The phallus (penis) is a symbol of power.
11. _____ A man who dates a woman old enough to be his mother has problems.
12. _____ There are some women who are best described as being “man eaters”.
13. _____ Dreams merely replay events that occurred during the day and have no meaning.
14. _____ There is something wrong with a woman who dates a man who is old enough to be her father.
15. _____ A student who wants to postpone an exam by saying “My grandmother lied…er, I mean died,” should probably be allowed the postponement.

For all the statements that are BOLDED, reverse score them. If you had marked a 5, change it to a 1. If you had a 4, change to a 2. 3s stays 3s, 2s become 4s, and 1s become 5s. Then add up your total score.

What is your total score after performing the instructions above? ________

15-45: Non-Freudian (the lower your score, the less Freudian you are)

46-75: Freudian (the higher your score, the more Freudian you are)