



# NOTES ON NARCISSISM



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**Narcissism plus charm is talent, and can be inspirational.**

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**Narcissism without charm is vulgar, and can be repulsive.**

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**Open confession is narcissism combined with vulnerability,  
and is frequently attractive.**

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**Refusal to join the masses in the growing network of online  
social exchange is usually just narcissism combined  
with elitism.**

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**Narcissism nourishes voyeurism, and voyeurism requires  
narcissism. In fact, these two powerful human impulses  
collapse into each other almost completely. It might even  
be safe to say that the endless appetite for voyeurism can  
devour as much narcissism as we can offer.**

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**There are only narcissists and ultra-narcissists, voyeurs and  
ultra-voyeurs.**

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**Narcissism is a survival mechanism for the life online.**

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**Narcissism isn't new, but the current social networking  
environment provides new ways of revealing it.**