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Hi Class,

Psychodynamics is believed to be experiences from a person’s earlier childhood.Todrick Hall is a 35-year-old African American male born in Arlington, TX. He was raised by his single mom until she married when he was in his early teens. Once she married, Todrick was blessed with a baby brother and a stepfather. Todrick grew up liking to play with dolls. He would show his love for music and arts by singing in the church choir and watching Disney films to teach himself how to dance. At the age of 9 he started to take ballet classes while his nephews and the other grandson took interest in sports Todrick took to musicals such as The Colour Purple, Disney’s Beauty and the Beast and Radio City Chrismas Spectacular stage shows.

Biological Approach is when a person’s moods and actions are shaped based on intrinsic and extrinsic stimuli.Todrick felt like he did not fit in with the other members in his family. While in elementary school he ran into a teacher that saw his love for music and dance. She introduced him to a music and arts program. This program gave Todrick the skills he needed to be successful in his later life. When he was in high school, he continued to sing. He also took to writing his own music. This was just the beginning of his big break!  Todrick felt more compelled about his identity and what he wanted to do with his life, therefore, he told friends and family that he was gay. Telling his family, he was gay was extremely hard for him to do and hard for his mother to receive. Being an African American gay male was always a worry for his mother. She feared the dangers that he would have to encounter while living that type of lifestyle.

Behavior Approach is believed to be when an external stimulus influences one’s behavior.Todrick was determined to get himself out there for the world to her his music. One day Todrick decided to take advice from a friend and audition for the American Idol. This exposure took Todricks career to another level. Even though he did not win, he made it to the semifinals. Todrick used to platform to become an active Youtuber where he consistently posted videos of himself singing songs from artists that he loved. This went viral and Todrick career was soaring high.

Cognitive Approach is believed to be when a person is determined by emotions and expectations.Todrick was very driven after receiving more than two million subscribers on YouTube. He used his success to embark on his journey as a professional artist. After 2009 exposure, he began to collaborate with other artist to exploit the platform to reach all his fans.Humanistic Approach is believed to be when a person is motivated to realize their full potential.This is the type of person I feel that describes Todrick’s personality traits the most. Once he learned his true passion, he was afraid to keep moving forward until he reached his highest potential. As of today, Todrick is well-known for his reinvention of The Wizard of Oz. This was a childhood story that Todrick was obsessed with. He had always had ambition and determination to recreate the film. Nevertheless, he did by calling it the Oz Musical. He has many successes to name a few “he has released three studio albums titled ‘Somebody’s Christmas’ (2010), ‘Pop Star High’ (2014) and ‘Straight Outta Oz’ (2016). He also has one compilation album titled ‘MTV’s Todrick: The Music, Vol 1’ which was released in 2015”( Who is Todrick Hall? Everything You Need to Know, n.d.).Myers Briggs Type Indicator would be the assessment tool I would choose to use to evaluate Todrick if I were the professional individual assessing him. The ethical implications for an individual personality assessment on this subject would be to be sure that the person knows their rights. Be sure that consent is given to test or treat. Make the individual aware that if they would like others to be present, they must be sure that a confidentiality agreement is signed as well as consent to have another individual sit in on the session.

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