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? Extrasensory perception (ESP) refers to senses or “powers” that are not proven, qualified, or quantified by accepted science. These can include - telepathy, psychometry, clairvoyance, and precognition or retrocognition.

? The earliest recorded scientific inquiries into ESP were conducted by Joseph Banks Rhine (1895-1980) and his wife Louisa at Duke University in 1930. Although nothing was proven, the Rhines helped establish the scientific merits of studying ESP.

? “Precognition” is the ability to “see” future events, while “retrocognition” is the ability to see the past. Often, retrocognition is tied with claims to know about “past lives.”

? ESP is generally included in the wider subject of “parapsychology.” Parapsychology studies also include ghost sightings and other elements of the supernatural.

? Canadian psychologist, James Alcock, is one of the world's top critics of ESP and parapsychology. He lectures, writes, and conducts his own experiments that debunk ESP claims.

? “Psychometry” is the apparent ability to “channel” knowledge of people or events by handling an object associated with it or them. Joseph Rodes Buchanan first coined the term in the 1840s.

? ESP is often generally referred to as the “sixth sense.” Researchers of ESP often argue that the sixth sense is inherent in all or most of us, but some are better able to tap into it.

? American psychic Nancy Myer claims to have consulted on 300 police investigations in the 1980s and to have given useful information in 80% of those. Clearly, the police believed her because they kept calling her.

? After World War II, Leonid Vasiliev conducted official research on ESP for Joseph Stalin and the Soviet government. Vasiliev claimed that he was successful, although the program was discontinued.

? Although Joseph Rhine and his Parapsychology Laboratory were officially associated with Duke University, its successor organization, the Rhine Research Center, is an independent, nonprofit organization.

? When New Jerseyan Elizabeth Cornish was found raped and beaten to death in her apartment, the police had few leads until they turned to psychic Nancy Weber. Weber told them to look at the upstairs neighbor, John Reece, who later confessed.

? You've probably seen those cards that have a circle, a plus sign, three wavy lines, a square, and a star, right? They're called "Zener cards" after creator Karl Zener, who invented them to determine psychic abilities.

? From 1966 until she died in 2012, Irene Hughes regularly loaned her psychic expertise to the Chicago Police. Hughes primarily worked to locate missing persons.

? Nearly half of adults in the US believe in the existence of ESP to some extent, with many claiming to have experienced it.

? Zener cards work by shuffling a deck of 25 that has five cards of each symbol. The experimenter picks a card, looks at it, and the subject guesses the symbol.

? "Psi" was coined by Joseph Rhine in the 1930s as a substitute for the less scientific sounding "psychic." Psi, therefore, relates to any and all aspects of ESP.

? Charles Honorton developed the "ganzfeld experiment" in the 1970s, which is a test where a "sender" telepathically emits images to a "receiver" for them to guess. Its popularity has declined in recent years.

? "Dream telepathy," or the ability to communicate with another person while dreaming, has had some mainstream acceptance. Sigmund Freud wrote about the possibility of it in the 1920s.

? In a 1932 Zener card experiment conducted by Joseph Rhine, divinity student Hubert Pearce scored a 40%, which was far above the 20% that was considered "chance."

? The CIA became involved in ESP experiments in 1978 by working with the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) on the Stargate Project. The project was shut down in 1995.

? In 1938, American spiritualist, Edgar Cayce, claimed that Atlantis would be found in "near Bimini" in "'68 or '69." A large structure was found in the waters off Bimini in 1968!

? According to a YouGov poll, 34% of the respondents believe they've had a psychic experience. The difference is split on gender with 40% of women feeling the psi but only 29% of men.

? Joseph Rhine outlined his and other ESP experiments in his 1934 book, *Extrasensory Perception After Sixty Years*. Rhine argued that he had scientifically proven the existence of ESP.

? In a 1984 CIA remote viewing experiment, an officer wrote “The Planet Mars: 1 million BC” on a card. The subject then eerily described an advanced society that was dying from an apocalypse.

? Psychic Rosemarie Kerr lived in Los Angeles in 1987 but only needed to see a picture of Andre Daigle to know where the missing