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Subject: Re: Impeachment Drama

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This is only tangentially related, but it is a fascination of mine.

Have you ever looked up "Dark Triad" personality traits?

Machiavellianism, narcissism and psychopathy. There are similarities within traits - some overlap - but also some differences between each. All lack empathy.

But then a new idea came upon some of the researchers: What if someone with dark triad personality traits learned empathy, not so much to be able to consider someone else's condition in an altruistic way but more as a way of being able to know how to best influence them. Sort of an intellectual empathy.

Enter the Dark Empath.

One of my fascinations is machine intelligence. Another is human intelligence. And by that, I mean "what makes us tick." So part of that fascination brought me to learn about these concepts.

Sorry to digress on the "Impeachment Drama" thread, but you did mention Machiavellianism and narcissism.