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1	Positive Psychology Progress: Empirical Validation of Interventions.. American Psychologist, 2005, 60, 410-421.	4.2	3,946
2	The attributional Style Questionnaire. Cognitive Therapy and Research, 1982, 6, 287-299.	1.9	1,531
3	Causal explanations as a risk factor for depression: Theory and evidence.. Psychological Review, 1984, 91, 347-374.	3.8	1,283
4	Strengths of Character and Well-Being. Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology, 2004, 23, 603-619.	0.5	1,139
5	Orientations to happiness and life satisfaction: the full life versus the empty life. Journal of Happiness Studies, 2005, 6, 25-41.	3.2	993
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18	Strengths of character and posttraumatic growth. Journal of Traumatic Stress, 2008, 21, 214-217.	1.8	235

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19	Character Strengths Before and After September 11. <i>Psychological Science</i> , 2003, 14, 381-384.	3.3	233
20	Zest and work. <i>Journal of Organizational Behavior</i> , 2009, 30, 161-172.	4.7	232
21	An Expanded Attributional Style Questionnaire.. <i>Journal of Abnormal Psychology</i> , 1988, 97, 87-89.	1.9	225
22	Character Strengths and Happiness among Young Children: Content Analysis of Parental Descriptions. <i>Journal of Happiness Studies</i> , 2006, 7, 323-341.	3.2	223
23	Positive Psychology and Character Strengths:Application to Strengths-Based School Counseling. <i>Professional School Counseling</i> , 2008, 12, 85-92.	1.3	221
24	Explanatory Style and Illness. <i>Journal of Personality</i> , 1987, 55, 237-265.	3.2	212
25	Greater strengths of character and recovery from illness. <i>Journal of Positive Psychology</i> , 2006, 1, 17-26.	4.0	208
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28	Explanatory style and academic performance among university freshman.. <i>Journal of Personality and Social Psychology</i> , 1987, 53, 603-607.	2.8	199
29	Character Strengths: Research and Practice. <i>Journal of College and Character</i> , 2009, 10, .	1.4	196
30	Purpose in life and reduced risk of myocardial infarction among older U.S. adults with coronary heart disease: a two-year follow-up. <i>Journal of Behavioral Medicine</i> , 2013, 36, 124-133.	2.1	181
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43	Private Prayer and Optimism in Middle-Aged and Older Patients Awaiting Cardiac Surgery. <i>Gerontologist</i> , The, 2002, 42, 70-81.	3.9	128
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45	Convergence of Character Strengths in American and Japanese Young Adults. <i>Journal of Happiness Studies</i> , 2006, 7, 311-322.	3.2	128
46	RESEARCH: The Effect of Religious-Spiritual Coping on Positive Attitudes of Adult Muslim Refugees From Kosovo and Bosnia. <i>International Journal for the Psychology of Religion</i> , The, 2003, 13, 29-47.	2.1	126
47	Assessment for the U.S. Army Comprehensive Soldier Fitness program: The Global Assessment Tool.. <i>American Psychologist</i> , 2011, 66, 10-18.	4.2	121
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51	Child sexual abuse, peer sexual abuse, and sexual assault in adulthood: A multi-risk model of revictimization. <i>Journal of Traumatic Stress</i> , 2001, 14, 351-368.	1.8	101
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56	Cognates of personal control: Locus of control, self-efficacy, and explanatory style. <i>Applied and Preventive Psychology</i> , 1992, 1, 111-117.	0.8	91
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58	Faith-based and Secular Pathways to Hope and Optimism Subconstructs in Middle-aged and Older Cardiac Patients. <i>Journal of Health Psychology</i> , 2004, 9, 435-450.	2.3	87
59	Healthy Psychological Functioning and Incident Coronary Heart Disease. <i>Archives of General Psychiatry</i> , 2011, 68, 400.	12.3	83
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65	Presurgery Expectations, Postsurgery Satisfaction, and Psychosocial Adjustment After Epilepsy Surgery. <i>Epilepsia</i> , 1998, 39, 487-494.	5.1	76
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67	Perceived neighborhood social cohesion and stroke. <i>Social Science and Medicine</i> , 2013, 97, 49-55.	3.8	73
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69	Depressive symptoms and unprompted causal attributions: Content analysis. <i>Behaviour Research and Therapy</i> , 1985, 23, 379-382.	3.1	71
70	Character Strengths Among Youth. <i>Journal of Youth and Adolescence</i> , 2003, 32, 5-16.	3.5	71
71	Positive Psychology and Physical Health. <i>American Journal of Lifestyle Medicine</i> , 2016, 10, 200-206.	1.9	67
72	Character Strengths and Virtues of Developing Military Leaders: An International Comparison. <i>Military Psychology</i> , 2006, 18, S57-S68.	1.1	64

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74	Depression, faith-based coping, and short-term postoperative global functioning in adult and older patients undergoing cardiac surgery. <i>Journal of Psychosomatic Research</i> , 2006, 60, 21-28.	2.6	62
75	Depression and attributions: Factors responsible for inconsistent results in the published literature.. <i>Journal of Abnormal Psychology</i> , 1985, 94, 165-168.	1.9	60
76	Depressive Symptoms Among Vietnamese-American College Students. <i>Journal of Social Psychology</i> , 1993, 133, 65-71.	1.5	53
77	Optimistic explanatory style and the perception of health problems. <i>Journal of Clinical Psychology</i> , 1995, 51, 128-132.	1.9	52
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79	An Attributional Style Questionnaire for General Use. <i>Journal of Psychoeducational Assessment</i> , 1996, 14, 100-108.	1.5	49
80	Impact of employees' character strengths of wisdom on stress and creative performance. <i>Human Resource Management Journal</i> , 2012, 22, 165-181.	5.7	48
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82	Content analysis of archival data.. <i>Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology</i> , 1997, 65, 959-969.	2.0	44
83	Explanatory style, expectations, and depressive symptoms. <i>Personality and Individual Differences</i> , 2001, 31, 1217-1223.	2.9	43
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90	Effects of faith and secular factors on locus of control in middle-aged and older cardiac patients. <i>Aging and Mental Health</i> , 2005, 9, 470-481.	2.8	32

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97	Learning impairment following insoluble problems. Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, 1978, 14, 53-68.	2.2	26
98	Health and environment: A psychological analysis. Landscape and Urban Planning, 1993, 26, 17-23.	7.5	26
99	What Happened to Self-Actualization?. Perspectives on Psychological Science, 2010, 5, 320-322.	9.0	26
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102	The moderating effects of explanatory style in physical education performance: a prospective study. Personality and Individual Differences, 2005, 38, 1645-1656.	2.9	22
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110	Strengths of Character and Happiness: Introduction to Special Issue. <i>Journal of Happiness Studies</i> , 2006, 7, 289-291.	3.2	18
111	Attachment Security and Its Benefits in Context. <i>Psychological Inquiry</i> , 2007, 18, 172-176.	0.9	18
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113	Is optimal functioning a distinct state?. <i>Humanistic Psychologist</i> , 2010, 38, 159-169.	0.3	17
114	Depressive irrationality. <i>Cognitive Therapy and Research</i> , 1986, 10, 293-298.	1.9	16
115	Explanatory style and gambling: How pessimists respond to losing wagers. <i>Behaviour Research and Therapy</i> , 1990, 28, 523-529.	3.1	16
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122	Helpless behavior. <i>Behaviour Research and Therapy</i> , 1993, 31, 289-295.	3.1	14
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132	Parental explanatory style and its relationship to the classroom performance of disabled and nondisabled children. <i>Cognitive Therapy and Research</i> , 1991, 15, 331-341.	1.9	9
133	Entity and Incremental World Views: Some Lessons From Learned Helplessness Theory and Research. <i>Psychological Inquiry</i> , 1995, 6, 307-311.	0.9	9
134	Self-Care and Psychosocial Adjustment of Patients Following Cardiac Surgery. <i>Social Work in Health Care</i> , 1998, 27, 75-95.	1.6	9
135	Female Incest Survivors. <i>Journal of Interpersonal Violence</i> , 1998, 13, 193-205.	2.0	9
136	Differential Effects of Faith-Based Coping on Physical and Mental Fatigue in Middle-Aged and Older Cardiac Patients. <i>International Journal of Psychiatry in Medicine</i> , 2006, 36, 351-365.	1.8	9
137	Adjustment, Pollyannaism, and attraction to close relationships.. <i>Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology</i> , 1975, 43, 872-880.	2.0	7
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139	Learned helplessness and the generality of social loafing. <i>Cognitive Therapy and Research</i> , 1986, 10, 563-569.	1.9	5
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141	Risk Factors for Accident Death in the U.S. Army, 2004~2009. <i>American Journal of Preventive Medicine</i> , 2014, 47, 745-753.	3.0	5
142	It's not just the economy: The psychological well-being of an electorate also matters for election outcomes. <i>Journal of Positive Psychology</i> , 2019, 14, 127-132.	4.0	5
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146	Suicide in Happy Places Revisited: The Geographical Unit of Analysis Matters. Applied Psychology: Health and Well-Being, 2014, 6, 318-323.	3.0	4
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149	Comments on ?attributional styles for helplessness and depression?. Sex Roles, 1984, 10, 555.	2.4	0
150	The motivational significance of cognition. Cognition and Emotion, 1988, 2, 115-122.	2.0	0
151	Important Papers on Well-Being: Assessment, Science, and Culture. Social Indicators Research, 2012, 105, 443-445.	2.7	0
152	Hh. , 2004, , 125-146.		0
153	Three Good Things. Character Lab Playbooks, 0, , .	0.0	0
154	Gratitude Letter. Character Lab Playbooks, 0, , .	0.0	0