

T I T A N I A

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I understand that there has been some delay on the part of the Mega Society concerning its decision whether to accept into membership persons who scored very high on my Mega Test. I have dropped my membership in the Mega Society for a number of personal reasons, so I no longer have any role in its decision-making. Part of the problem may be due to the fact that I have had to continually revise upward the raw score which I regard as corresponding to the mega level -- from 42/48 initially to 46/48 now. By the "mega level" I mean the 99.9999 percentile.

Since I have no control over the Mega Society's decision, I have decided to offer an alternative in the form of a new society, tentatively to be known as the Titan Society, which will have a minimum requirement at the 99.999 percentile (the one-in-100,000 level), corresponding to a minimum raw score of 43/48 on my test. I am also developing a new high-ceiling test, on the basis of which we may recruit more members and perhaps eventually establish a true mega-level organization for the ablest 10% of Titan members.

My rationale for establishing the Titan Society is as follows. It is natural for people of unusually high intelligence to be curious about what other people of similar intelligence are like, for in that way they may gain some fruitful insights about themselves. Being submerged in a lower-IQ group tends to defeat this objective. The Prometheus Society, which now has a minimum requirement at the 99.99 percentile or 36/48 on my test, already has well over 100 members. The upper 10% of this group should have a means of encountering one another in a less diluted manner.

On the following page I list 17 people who have scored 43 or above on my Mega Test (including 5 who did so on a second attempt, although I no longer accept second attempts). I am sending this journal to all 17 and hope that enough will respond to form the nucleus of a new and viable group.

The simplest way for you to respond is with financial support. I ask all who wish to continue receiving this journal to send me twelve 22¢ stamps as a token of their interest and support.

Those who wish to participate more actively may send written material that might be of general interest to the other members. Please limit your remarks to no more than one page per item for the time being. Items may include autobiographical sketches, discussions of intelligence, quizzes, suggestions for improving the Titan Society, and so forth.

For maximum participation, you might volunteer to serve as editor of this journal.

Address your responses to: Ronald K. Hoeflin, P. O. Box 7430, New York, NY 10116. My phone number (day or evening) is (212) 582-2326.

Prospective Members

This list includes five people who reached 43 or above only on a second attempt. Although I no longer allow second attempts, I have decided to be a bit lenient at this stage, since I anticipate that not all of those listed below will elect to become members, and we need at least 8 or 10 people to form the nucleus of a viable group. No one listed here scored below 39 on a first attempt.

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