K-drama Nambong Baek

Outsmarting Feats



“The Psychologist In The White Room”

Categories

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Episode One

Baek witnesses an argument, and, while simultaneously solving his Rubik's Cube, observes the body language of the people arguing. He notices the woman's foot and where it's pointing, deducing that she's uncomfortable and wants to leave. Then he observes that the navels of the two men are pointing directly at each other and deduces that they are a couple.

FSIQ: PSI
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding
Observation
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning
Others: Multitasking

Baek explains to his fellow bartender that love at first sight originates in the brain, and that because the brain is busy thinking, the heart uses more oxygen.

Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge

Professor Cheon visits Baek at the bar, where Baek realizes he came for a reason.

EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding

Baek experiences a detailed hallucination (to such a level that he cannot distinguish it from reality) of his first patient upon returning to campus.
FSIQ: VSI

Baek notices how Sung Ah (whom I will call Seonga for convenience) tries to help everyone after observing him helping someone with their homework and then trying to help another person carrying a trash can; he deduces that this is an illusion of control (a cognitive bias that is, precisely, the belief of being in control) and also that she will be exhausting.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding
Observation
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning, Abductive Reasoning
Others: Profiling, Pattern Recognition

It is explained that the new professor, Baek, is seen as a genius; he obtained his doctorate in one year and won an award for his dissertation.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge, Academics, Experience

After reading only one record, Baek realizes the diagnosis is wrong, then he tells Seonga that he lost a lot of information, since narcissistic personality is often due to poor relationships with parents.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning
Others: Profiling, Pattern Recognition

Anna enters the counseling room. Baek looks at her ring, her expression of fear and anxiety and her eyes (which she was hiding behind sunglasses to conceal her dark circles). He deduces that she's having trouble sleeping and feels watched, after her exaggerated reaction to the mirror, she deduces that she fears mirrors due to a past trauma..
EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding
Observation
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning
Others: Cold Reading

After this, Baek goes to his house to conduct a reading of evidence (which he explains as spying). There, he explains that there are three ways to read a place: "How I want to be seen," emotional management through objects, and traces of unconscious actions, while this is being explained, Nambong observes several objects, thus, he deduces that she is someone who only thinks about herself and believes that everything revolves around her; that's why she can't admit her mistakes and finds it difficult to ask for help.

Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge

EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding

Observation

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Methods

Others: Espionage, Profiling

When the manager asks Baek what he thinks of him, he says that his job must be difficult. This seems irrelevant until you remember that Baek doesn't feel emotions, which implies that he did read the manager. Furthermore, these are the kinds of ambiguous statements often used for cold reading.

EQ: Emotional Perception, Emotional Understanding

Others: Cold Reading

Nambong sees a coffee cup and deduces that Anna is left-handed based on the direction of the cup's handle.

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Seonga says he didn't find any mirrors in the house, while Baek decides not to mention the room with mirrors he did find.

Deception: Omission

Assuming Baek used the same reasoning that Seonga (which is obvious since he was walking ahead and that's the only explanation), he would go somewhere where he could observe but also easily change positions. That's how he ended up in the closet, and sure enough, he was there.

EQ: Emotional Understanding

It is implied that he has already worked with the police.
Crystallized Intellect: Experience
SQ: Influence

Baek realizes that the fear of mirrors isn't because of the stalker.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek hears a television playing in the distance and identifies its position as Seonga speaks to him.
Perception: Hearing

Baek notices that Anna's behavior is different with her fans; remember, she's been thinking about the hall of mirrors all this time. He connects the dots and diagnoses dissociative identity disorder (multiple personalities).
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Connecting the Dots
Others: Pattern recognition

Baek heads to the film set of a movie Anna is in without knowing where it is. So how did he know where to go? Well, at that moment the manager was arguing, and Baek might have overheard (which implies superhuman hearing).
Perception: Hearing

Baek asks Anna for her autograph to observe which hand she writes with and confirm his hypothesis.
Tactics

Nambong enters the white room (his mental room), which at this moment looks like this:



There, he instantly recognizes Anna's image.
FSIQ: CPI, VSI, PSI
Observation

Nambong overhears Seonga saying that the manager was talking about how the shoes no longer fit Anna, and he connects the dots to deduce that there are actually two Annas (someone pretending to be her). Nambong hands the police officer the pen Anna used so he can identify the fingerprints.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning, Connecting the Dots

Knowing that he has the ring Anna lost, Nambong lies by omission, claiming he doesn't know where the ring is, but that they could find out by hypnotizing Anna. When she refuses, Nambong manipulates her, accusing her of hiding the ring from everyone if she doesn't let herself be hypnotized.
Deception: Omission, Misdirection
Manipulation: Logical Manipulation, Direct Manipulation, Group Manipulation, Coercion

Nambong hypnotizes Anna and detects when she rejects the hypnosis even though she was faking it, but he didn't say anything.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Manipulation: Hypnosis
Deception: Acting Skills, Omission
Others: Discerning Deceit

After the police officer confirms that Anna was filmed despite being at an event abroad that same day, he confirms his hypothesis that there is an

imposter posing as Anna. When Seonga asks if it's the same disorder as John Lennon's killer, Baek affirms that it is, demonstrating some knowledge, then he describes the imposter profile.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
Others: Profiling

Baek convinces the manager (who was an accomplice of the fake Anna) to reveal her location. He first intimidates the accomplice while Seonga keeps him from moving (This is after a small battle in which Nambong didn't do much). When the accomplice refuses, Nambong improvises, taking the fake Anna's card from his wallet (There he also finds a picture of the fake Anna and deduces that's where she is, but he still needs to know her location) and demanding her location under the (real) threat that Anna could be killed, Then she convinces him by saying she's going to throw away all the work she did with the previous Anna.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)
AC: Stress Tolerance
Manipulation: Intimidation, Emotional Manipulation
Others: Improvisation

Once Baek finds the fake Anna, she's about to kill the real one, so Nambong breaks down, telling her she's the fake one, since he deduced that this is something she's been told her whole life and the reason she developed the disorder, causing her to break down.
Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

In the end, in his work as a bartender, he is seen interpreting the emotions of various seated people, perceiving love, expectations, weakness, and envy with just a glance.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Episode Two

Nambong notices traces of blood on the wall and follows them to find the location of the attack.

Observation

Logical Thinking

Baek examines the body, noticing cement dust and a head injury, Because of the number 99 on the baseball uniform that the victim had over his face, he assumes he is a James Campbell imitator. Then lowers her gaze to the hands, noticing calluses and oil paint, and guessing that it's from art school.

Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge

Observation

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek looks at several photographs, then asks the mother for permission to check the victim's room, there he reads the words "my future starts today" then he opens the closet and notices luxurious handbags, so he assumes that she has another job, then he finds a pen with a note saying the name of her beloved, but hides knowing this information.

Observation

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Deception: Omission

Baek explains that the blackout or filming stoppage is a short-term memory loss caused by alcohol in which the brain becomes incapable of storing new memories, and therefore cannot be recovered.

Crystalyzed Intelectelect: Knowledge

Baek decides to take the case, which he initially wasn't interested in, so that Seonga doesn't drink again (since it upset him the day before).

EQ: Emotional Engagement

Baek notices Kang Jin Wook's name in a notebook a few meters away, the notebook nestled among several others. Then, looking around the corner, he notices someone else in a photograph



Baek then takes a photograph of Kang Jin Wook and keeps it, planning to use it to question someone at the bar about him and thus gather information. And then he notices this:



Observation
Planning: Short Term Planning, Preparation Process
Others: Info Gathering

Baek tells Kang Jin Wook that the police won't come because it's the last place they'd expect him to be.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek learns that Oh Ji Min (the victim) may have had a sponsor. He recalls the expensive handbags she owned and assumes this sponsor deposited money into her account in exchange for their entertainment. However, she then threatens him before the elections, and he decides to

kill her. Based on this assumption, he decides to review the security camera footage to confirm his hypothesis.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek dismisses his hypothesis after observing a painting from the side and seeing how it forms the words “With Jimin” (the name of the sponsor). In previous scenes, Baek is seen looking at the painting head-on, so he already suspected it. Baek explains that this is called anamorphosis.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
Others: Pattern Recognition

Baek tells Seonga to get a certain type of fish and bring them along. Baek plans to use them as evidence later; he'd seen those fish before at the bar. He anticipated that the culprit would try to discredit the recordings, and consequently, he would use the fish as evidence since they have a keen sense of smell and are attracted to blood. The brick used for the murder was in the fish tank, It is later revealed that Baek knew the smell of blood disappeared in water, and said so only to provoke the culprit into revealing himself and the brick was thrown into the fish tank as bait, In other words, he set the stage for the culprit to reveal himself.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Observation
Tactics
Planning: Short Term Planning, Preparation Process, Complexity
Foresight: Prediction
Deception: Omission, Verbal Deception, Practical Deception
Manipulation: Logical Manipulation, Indirect Manipulation
Others: Pattern Recognition

Baek told Seonga that he has a poor memory and should stop drinking.
Manipulation: Logical Manipulation

Baek explains that the relationship between the victim and the senator was not one of patronage; the victim grew up without a father. Their

relationship was that of father and daughter. He explains that his paintings of a black sun and falling leaves psychologically represent loss. Seeing the difficult financial situation, the victim's mother hid the daughter conceived out of wedlock, but she found her biological father: the senator.

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek was curious about what he had found at Kang Jin Wook's house, so he went there and read the notebook. He understood that in his past, Kang Jin Wook had been called creepy by his mother, who committed suicide. Jin Wook was traumatized by this, and when the victim reminded him of it, he murdered her. Baek used this fact to psychologically break Jin Wook and then called the police, who found Woo Jin's DNA on the shirt.

EQ: Emotional Understanding

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation, Intimidation

Episode Three

Baek explains that people have two types of facial expressions: the first is fleeting, the second is consciously maintained, and the latter reveals the intention behind the first. He explains that by observing this, he knew Seonga was curious, he mentions that he knew because of the slightly raised eyebrow.

Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Observation

Others: Cold Reading

Baek notices someone in the doorway; their eyes are dilated, their chin is tense, and they are nervously rubbing their hands together. Baek deduces that it's a relative of the victim.

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Observation

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Others: Cold Reading

Baek notes that when the victim's wife spoke about a woman's visit, she touched her forehead, indicating embarrassment, but when she stated that her husband did not have a mistress, she was completely certain. She was embarrassed because she thought it had been misunderstood.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Observation
Others: Pattern Recognition

A girl arrived at the bar wanting to drink with Baek, but he refused despite her insistence and didn't react to any of the insults she hurled at him.
EQ: Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)

Baek told the detective that he could see on his face that he thought the deaths were connected.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek notices the marks on one of the victims necks and immediately assumes its asphyxiation, then he surmised that it was by someone bigger, stronger and taller than the victim.
Observation
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning, Abductive Reasoning

The coroner mentioned that he was dehydrated and his organs were empty, and Baek deduced that he had been held captive.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek knew the coroner still wanted to say something before he left.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek suggests that Seonga's method for understanding someone is to build a trusting doctor-patient relationship.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek notices a ring on someone's finger from this distance.



Observation

He also notices him touching his chin and reads the name tag; later he sees him talking to someone else.
Observation

Baek explains that masked depression syndrome is when someone smiles despite their despair.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

In his dream, he recalls a moment from his past in extreme detail.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Nambong investigates the crime scene and observes metal rings in the ceiling, an earring on the floor, holes in the wall, and a black sphere on the floor. He then deduces that the earring belonged to the killer and that the killer must be someone from the store.
Observation
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek deduces that because of the ring and the fact that he was trembling when he saw the photographs, Hak Soo loved Jin Sun Mi.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong goes shopping and deliberately chooses women's clothing, knowing the saleswoman will ask if it's for his girlfriend. He then tells the saleswoman that she never thought someone might feel hurt by such unfounded assumptions. He then blames her for apologizing to his manager, Soo Jin, and not to him. He uses this as an opportunity to observe both of them, noticing that Soo Jin is missing an earring, which is precisely what he was trying to verify, and which would make her the culprit.

EQ: Emotional Understanding

Observation

Planning: Short Term Planning

Deception: Acting Skills, Emotional Deception

Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation, Indirect Manipulation

Baek questions Soo Jin, explaining that she hides her emotions; it's the "smiling mask syndrome." The symptoms worsen as she hides her anger. He tells her he had no reason to make her confess information, then realizes it was the first time she'd let her emotions out. He asks if it was because of Sun Mi, and Soo Jin continues confessing her reasons.

Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation, Direct Manipulation

Others: Hot Reading

Nambong gives Seonga the coat he had bought so he can get rid of her without the purchase being in vain.

SQ: Resource Management

Nambong recalls his first day at university, including the conversations they had.

Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Episode Four

Nambong doesn't react when he sees that Seonga is hiding a call from him, because if it were an important call, Seonga would have put it through.

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)

Nambong agreed to meet with someone, and he immediately assumes that the man can't sleep because of something related to his girlfriend.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Nambong perceives that Seonga's behavior stems from resentment over the previous day.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Nambong notices that Song is hiding something, so he snatches the piece of paper she's holding to find out why.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Nambong deduces that since the first sentence refers to the past, it must be a former client whose anger began long ago. From the phrase "You will no longer cause harm," he deduces that the client will do something to prevent it, and printing the letter suggests premeditation. However, because the time between the letters is short, it appears to be an impulsive action, and the interview may have accelerated the arrival of the second letter, based on that, he portrays him as paranoid.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning
Foresight: Anticipation
Others: Profiling

Since the patient was attacked that night, but the detective is careless, Baek assumes he's been working on the case for several days and therefore there are other victims.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek knows that Seong is allergic to almonds.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Baek notices that the reason Seong doesn't want to hand over her patients' records is because she feels guilty.

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek finds it strange that Song hasn't arrived yet and tells Seonga to call her, and if that doesn't work, to call Detective Nam to go to the hotel.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek explains that there are two criteria for secret codes: personal information or information that is not easily forgotten. Then he remembers Song's sister's grave and the dates: from 01/14/1986 to 12/23/2007, to enter Seong's room, and enters the code. There he notices there are no photos of Seong and assumes erotomania for stealing photographs and attacking men associated with her.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge, Memory
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning, Inductive Reasoning
Others: Profiling

After a chase, the culprit disappears, so Baek assumes that he didn't really disappear, but was actually someone from there.
Thinking: Lateral Thinking
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong deduces that there are two culprits because the letters exhibit two different types of handwriting and there are symptoms of both paranoia and erotomania, since almost no one in Song's files matches and most are men over 40 who do not work in marketing companies, Baek deduces that he is one of his old patients of whom only Professor Cheon has records.
Reasoning: Deductive Reasoning, Abductive Reasoning, Inductive Reasoning
Others: Profiling

Nambong deduces the culprit because he's a font designer and one of the cards had an unusual font, recalling when Seonga mentioned it to him.
FSIQ: WMI

Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong says that when there's a closed drawer, there's usually something hidden inside. He opens it and finds a folder with photographs. He sees a picture of himself with Song, senses jealousy, and deduces that Bae is the culprit, since Bae told him he should find another partner and also mentioned seeing his girlfriend with another man, the timing of which seemed to coincide.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek explains that delusion is the result of a bewildering emotion. The emotion breeds illusion, and the illusion provokes jealousy and attacks on other men, at some point, he thought the illusion was reality.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Profiling

Baek noticed Bae's voice on the radio.
Perception

Baek received a call, and noticing Song's cough, he knew it wasn't faked and that she had actually eaten almonds.
Perception

Baek set off the fire alarm to get everyone out of their rooms, allowing him to find Bae.
Thinking: Lateral Thinking
Tactics
Deception: Practical Deception, Misdirection
Manipulation: Indirect Manipulation

Baek saw Bae leaving with Song, didn't react, and quickly went inside to get Song's allergy shot.
EQ: Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)

AC: Stress Tolerance
Thinking: Faster Thinking
Tactics

Baek knows that depression increases during holidays.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

Baek knows that Seinga is deluding herself into thinking she'll make the world a better place.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek detects guilt in a patient.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek explains that guilt is a measure of reckoning for past wrongdoings, and sometimes it can be a positive emotion.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek explains that if they went there for group therapy, their motivation for change and rehabilitation is strong, Jung Man Hoo was the most enthusiastic participant.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek notices Seonga's surprise over the phone, judging by her raised voice and the fact that she's stuttering, through this, he deduces that she was speaking ill of him, furthermore, he knows her number.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Perception
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

Baek knows that Detective Nam wouldn't come without a reason, so he assumes it's a case.

EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek visualizes the victim and remembers, it was because of the guilt he had detected.



FSIQ: VSI
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek decides to conduct a psychological autopsy, explaining that a psychological autopsy involves gathering information to understand the causes of suicide.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
Others: Decision Making

Baek explains that suicide is contagious and assumes that someone in the family committed suicide.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek piques Detective Nam's curiosity in order to get information from him, telling him that he's already curious (although it should be noted that the detective was indeed curious).
Deception: Verbal Deception
Manipulation: Gaslighting

Baek senses that Nam believes the cell phone with a fake name is related to the case.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek went to request the security camera recordings, he asked Seonga for a backup of the shelter recordings, leaving a note in order to maximize efficiency, after that, he went to visit his family.
Others: Information Gathering, Efficiency

Baek observes that those who committed suicide had received prior calls and suggests psychological homicide.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning, Connecting the Dots
Others: Pattern Recognition

Baek tells Seonga that it's rude not to answer calls, a phrase she had said to him that morning. Remember, Baek lacks emotions, so he's probably just gathering information about social norms.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
Adaptability: Social Adaptability
Others: Information Gathering

Baek senses Seonga's guilt over her friend's death, but this time he communicates it more subtly, saying that knowing what someone is thinking is difficult, and then asking if she isn't thinking the same thing. His SQ at the beginning of the K-Drama was truly awful, but it really improved up to this point.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
SQ: Communication Skills, Social Cognition
Adaptability: Social Adaptability
Others: Cold Reading

Baek overhears Seonga talking to her parents, telling them that her friend felt guilty and admitted to pushing her brother. Baek then notices the pattern of guilt.

Others: Pattern Recognition

After Seonga tells him that her friend said in her final moments, "That person is bad," Nambong deduces that she realized in her last moments that the memory was false.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong displays three images simultaneously, I won't go into too much cognitive detail, but Nambong clearly looks away, since this is all within his mind. It implies that he perfectly remembers the other two while looking at one, and the human process of remembering involves actively reconstructing the memory; therefore, it's impressive that he can do this, especially since all three images are of the victims in the investigation, implying that he remembers them perfectly.



Later, a fourth image and multiple letters would appear.
FSIQ: VSI, CPI, WMI, VCI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Baek reasons that they were all connected through the homeless shelter, and assumes that the fourth victim (Seonga's friend) also received a call.
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

Others: Pattern Recognition

After the number is identified, Detective Nam asks its owner about the 100 won he sold it for. The owner doesn't know what to say. Then Baek notices a piece of paper in his bag, reads it while the bag is on the ground, and deduces that the money he used to bet on the horses is what he was paid for the number.
Observation
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek detects that someone is lying about having stopped selling illegal phones by noticing him scratching his neck.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

During a chase, Nambong heads to the security cameras, finds the culprit, and alerts Detective Nam by phone.
Thinking: Faster Thinking, Lateral Thinking
Strategy: Strategy Building
Tactics

Nambong recalls that there were two glasses in the culprit's home and deduces that he was with someone else and he wasn't the true culprit.
FSIQ: WMI
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Once the "culprit" receives a call, Nambong assumes he will be the next victim and tells him not to answer.
Thinking: Faster Thinking
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning
Foresight: Anticipation

Nambong decides to stop the group therapy sessions because she knows there will be mistrust due to the suicides.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Decision Making

Professor Cheon mentions an experiment on false memories, and Baek deduces that someone is conducting a new experiment, and hypothesizes that the real culprit chose them because they were people in his inner circle.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Profiling

When the bartender asks Baek what's wrong, he replies that nothing is wrong, even though he just dealt with a case he couldn't solve.
Deception: Verbal Deception

Baek determines that Seonga is suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and impotence.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek has a dream that contains the memory of his childhood car accident.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Baek observes the foot of the knife-wielding attacker who threatened Song, and then himself, pills on the floor, and a photograph. He senses fear and deduces that the attacker doesn't want Song to leave him. He then intervenes in the conversation, telling the attacker that if he's angry with Song, she should leave the room. After this, he yells at her to get out, predicting that she would decide to stay. He then convinces the attacker that she will always be there for him, managing to calm him down.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception, Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)
Observation
Thinking: Faster Thinking
Foresight: Anticipation
Manipulation: Triangulation, Emotional Manipulation, Direct Manipulation, Indirect Manipulation

Baek tells Seonga that he shouldn't force his emotions and act as if everything is fine.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Nambong read all those books, and while the time that passed isn't specified, it's implied that it wasn't long.



FSIQ: VCI, CPI

Baek overhears Song criticizing him for saying it's strange that a patient's wife is so tolerant of him, and when she says he can make mistakes, Baek interrupts her, saying, "Heuristics" (meaning intuitive judgment mistakes), Baek decides to take the case.
FSIQ: VCI
Thinking: Faster Thinking
Others: Decision Making

It is mentioned that Baek memorizes the position of the books he takes from the library and it takes him less than a minute to return them to their place.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Baek escucha una conversación a distancia, luego especifica las medidas de altura y ancho de
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
Perception

Baek recalls his first case while reading a record, which describes borderline personality disorder, saying that like plants, these individuals have a person as their "sun." In his first case, during a consultation, he remained calm despite his patient's insinuations.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
EQ: Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)
Thinking: Analogical Thinking

Baek realizes that Cheon allowed Professor Song to take on a case of BPD (Borderline Personality Disorder, which his sister suffered from) out of affection.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek decides to see the patient at the hospital.
Others: Decision Making

Baek senses that the patient's pain is affecting Song.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek is shown reading four books at the same time.
FSIQ: VCI, CPI

Nambong recalls that Song was stressed on Tuesday and it was raining on Friday; both days they went out to eat.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Baek explains that for people with Borderline Personality Disorder, suicide attempts are a method of manipulation.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Discerning Manipulation

Nambong tells Song's sister that if she attempts suicide or self-harms again, he will end the counseling; he is acting under the assumption that she sees him as her "sun."
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation, Direct Manipulation

Baek wonders, if the patient's suicide attempts and self-harm subsided during Professor Song's consultations, what is stimulating him? This is when he remembers that his wife was hiding the picture; Professor Song had already seen it, so she wasn't hiding it from her. He then concludes that she disliked his mother-in-law and surmises that perhaps she didn't die by suicide. He then experiences a hallucination of his first patient (Song's sister) asking why he is so focused on the case. Since it is a hallucination, he is questioning himself.
FSIQ: WMI, VSI
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning
Others: Metacognition

Seonga arrives, talking about how a clean environment can help counseling, and Baek tells him to get straight to the point, indicating that he sensed Seonga had something more to say.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Thinking: Faster Thinking

Baek notices that Song's sister's expression is more relaxed than it was in the counseling room.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek says it's not that he doesn't feel emotions; he feels anger and frustration, and when he reads an interesting thesis, his heart beats faster.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Pattern Recognition, Metacognition

Nambong explains that emotions (for him) are the same as the drawing; you cannot experience the same thing as the author.
Thinking: Analogical Thinking

Nambong asks the patient about his mother to indirectly provoke his wife; shortly afterward, it's revealed that Baek already suspected she had narcissistic personality disorder because of her one-sided care and kindness, despite actions like hiding the photograph.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Manipulation: Indirect Manipulation. Emotional Manipulation
Others: Pattern Recognition, Intuition

Nambong invites Song for a drink, arranging a meeting with Detective Nam, whom he had previously asked to investigate the suicide of the patient's mother, so that Nam could share information with them both.
Tactics
Manipulation: Triangulation

Baek looks at a wrapped gift picture outside the room where he and Song were. It's not really that surprising, but the color blends in with the wall, and Baek was just coming out and the picture was on the floor near the corner, so he saw it with his peripheral vision, which doesn't distinguish details.
Observation

Nambong listens to and understands a lecture in English (remember, he is Korean).
FSIQ: VCI

Nambong decides to give his sister's records to Song (remember, he's emotionless) and then decides to continue with the counseling.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Decision Making

He finally determined that what Sung Sol needed was someone similar to her, and that her “sun” was the person who understood her better than she did, that is, her sister: Song.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Baek has the same hallucination again; this time he reveals that he knows Song hates him, and that it's his way of releasing his feelings of guilt and sadness, but he decided to play along as a form of therapy for Song.
FSIQ: VSI
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception, Emotional Management (Well, he doesn't feel emotions)
Manipulation: Psychological Manipulation

Baek decides to go eat something with Song and gets up from his seat hoping she will follow him.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
SQ: Social Awareness
Foresight: Anticipation

Episode Seven

Baek notices that Seonga seems to be thinking about something (Nambong notices this while reading a book). Then, when he sees her leave, he puts down his book and takes out his recorder. It's revealed here that he was analyzing Seonga. He says she left without asking permission, typical behavior of someone experiencing internal conflict, but since he saw text messages, he assumes she's unaware of the conflict, which is consistent with her personality of never being able to say no.
FSIQ: VCI, CPI (Assuming he was actually reading the book)
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Observation
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning
Deception: Acting Skills

Baek receives a call from Detective Nam and heads for the elevator, but stops outside to listen to Seonga talking to a student. Once Seonga and he go to Detective Nam, she asks him what he would have done in her situation (helping the student, since he likes one of Seonga's friends). Nambong replies that it's none of his business. Then Seonga says she can't get that out of her head, and Baek tells her that's not his problem. Now, remember, Nambong literally solves other people's problems out of curiosity, so here he was suppressing his curiosity.

EQ: Emotional Management

Espionage

Nambong knows that botulinum toxin is used as a biological weapon, one gram can kill a million people.

Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge

Nambong deduces that the victim was trapped; either he drank the poisoned yogurt or he lost the child.

Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek acknowledges that a detective's behavior of calling Nam "Gim" is intentional to provoke him, and that it's his fighting stance.

EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek turns out to be the only one who takes the detective's hypotheses seriously.

Others: Unconventionality

Nambong deduces that the murders are for revenge, since the culprit seems to be seeking to inflict pain on the victims.

EQ: Emotional Understanding

Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

It is revealed that Nambong reviewed and supplemented Seonga's research about the student, writing that it could be some kind of social phobia.

EQ: Emotional Understanding

Deception: Omission
Espionage

Nambong reads the suspects during an interrogation and concludes that they are not guilty of the murders.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Naming knows that more than 80% of child abuse cases are perpetrated by parents.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge

After reading about the girl's change in behavior in the interview records and a letter her stepmother sent her from prison, Nambong realizes that the girl chose those words to shield her stepmother.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

When Seonga asks why the girl defended her stepmother, Nambong says it was because she genuinely believed her stepmother loved her, then he realizes: the two victims were the one who reported the stepmother and the prosecutor who convicted her, so, the girl was to blame, and her teacher would be the next victim.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning, Inductive Reasoning
Others: Profiling

Nambong claims the culprit suffered from Stockholm syndrome, He then compares this to Seonga, since, in his words, showing sympathy isn't wrong, but it became essential in the life of the culprit.
Crystallized Intellect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Thinking: Associative Thinking
Others: Profiling

Nambong visualizes the culprit as if she were a child, and then has a flashback to his own childhood.
FSIQ: WMI, VSI

Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Nambong sees through Moon, understanding that he was there for other purposes and stating that something drew him there, something that interests him; he then claims to have read "The Science of Logical Memory."
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory, Knowledge
Others: Cold Reading, STP

Episode Eight

Baek reads the expressions of a sexual assault suspect, noting that he seemed offended when the topic came up, and clarifies that if he were the culprit, he would have referred to it as "That kind of thing" instead of "Sexual Assault." The detector test showed that he told lies mixed with truths and was nervous, leading Nambong to deduce that there is more to the case.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning, Inductive Reasoning

Nambong decides to interrogate both of them, the suspect and the alleged victim.
Others: Decision Making, Intuition

Nambong recalls the moment in his childhood when Chun recommended he become a psychologist.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Nambong intentó provocar a la supuesta madre preguntándole si entendía que le había pasado a su hija con tal de ver su reacción, a pesar de que él no creía que hubiese sido un asalto sexual.
Manipulation: Emotional Manipulation

Nambong noticed that Seonga was thinking about something and asked her what it was.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek notices that since Seonga and Detective Nam arrive together, something must be happening.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

He notes that the suspect's fiancée entered an anxious state of denial, arguing that he did not leave to rebuild his life.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Seonga tells him that when she asked the alleged victim's friend if she had spoken to the alleged victim, her friend answered no, as if she were preparing for the question, so Baek deduces that she was lying and decides to talk to her.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

Baek coldly reads the alleged victim's friend. First, he asks her quickly and forcefully if she's at home, trying to intimidate her and elicit a response. When she replies no, he notices the position of her hands. Then he asks if she's still there and where she is. He follows her gaze to a café and says she's nearby. He asks if she's in a café, noticing the movement of the muscles around her mouth. Then he asks about another café, looking at that area again; she is there.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning
Manipulation: Intimidation
Others: Cold Reading

Baek, after hearing the victim's friend say that the suspect and the alleged victim were dating, but she saw him with another woman, lies, saying that the suspect met a woman, but did not cheat on the alleged victim, and is in the hospital and only wants to see his girlfriend.
Deception: Fabrication, Acting Skills, Verbal Deception

Nambong predicted that the alleged victim's friend would tell him and that she would go to the hospital, so Baek hid in the hospital pretending to be the suspect.

EQ: Emotional Understanding
Planning: Short Term Planning, Preparation Process
Foresight: Prediction
Manipulation: Indirect Manipulation
Deception: Fabrication, Acting Skills

Baek notices that the suspect is avoiding talking to protect someone.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Baek tells Seonga not to give her time to think, to ask the questions quickly and look her straight in the eyes.
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Manipulation: Indirect Manipulation, Psychological Manipulation

Nambong says that the interrogated woman (and alleged victim) shows no signs of guilt, since her mother said she was lying, implying that she is a compulsive liar and thinks that everything she says is true.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

Nambong notes that when the questions change, the answers also change; that would imply that he remembers the questions Seinga said she would ask her.
FSIQ: WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory
Others: Pattern Recognition

Nambong diagnoses the alleged victim with Ripley syndrome (she firmly believes that all her lies are true) He also deduces that he developed it due to a lack of attention because his mother is a celebrity.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning, Abductive Reasoning

Nambong is lying when he says he has never lied
Deception: Verbal Deception

Episode Nine

Baek is shown in his childhood reading six books at the same time.
FSIQ: VCI, CPI

Baek deduces that the culprit killed an innocent person after Nam says that's why he was there (there was a kidnapping three years ago, the perpetrator was never found).
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek notices that Nam's questions aren't working, so he decides to ask something else: "How did you know that man killed your son?"
Thinking: Lateral Thinking

Nambong asked the culprit to extend her hands to measure her heart rate against a clock after noticing that her facial expressions indicated that she was telling the truth.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception
SQ: Resource Management
Others: Creativity, Unconventionality, Cold Reading

The murderer's husband tells her that she received counseling from someone she found online, and Baek suspects that this person was responsible.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

After hearing that the other killer was living on the streets, Baek surmises that it might be connected to the psychological phone killings he had previously encountered.
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning, Connecting The Dots

Nambong states that Seonga has stronger emotions than most and her intuition stands out.
EQ: Emotional Understanding, Emotional Perception

Nambong is familiar with Elizabeth Loftus's theory.

Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge

Nambong reasons that since the witness and the detective in a case were murdered, the culprit must have a specific target related to that case. So Nambong asks Cheon (who did the psychological analysis of that case), and he surmises that the culprit is Park Dong Hui (the son of the person responsible for the case).
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong quickly reads the title of a folder and realizes it's the case from five years ago where Nam lost his daughter.
FSIQ: VCI, WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Nambong regains his memories upon seeing a match flame (Moon hypnotized him in the past), including the conversation Chun had with his father and the fact that he was reading multiple books at once, he also demonstrates the ability to concentrate simultaneously on a book and on his mother's words.
FSIQ: VCI, VSI, CPI, WMI
Crystalyzed Intelect: Memory

Episode Ten

Despite Moon's manipulation, Nambong listens to Seonga's interview and determines that, since the interviewee saw someone tampering with the car and mistook him for a mechanic, Park Gyu Hwang's case occurred 20 years prior, the day before the accident. Because it happened in Cheon's car, it was an attempt to assassinate him, as revenge for Cheon having conducted the analysis.
AC: Mental Fortitude
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong hears that Park Dong Hui suffered from schizophrenia and asks if he suffered from split personality, correctly answering.
EQ: Emotional Understanding

Park Dong Hui claims to be Moon Seonghyun, leading Nambong to conclude that he is the culprit.
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Nambong explains his discovery to Moon, stating that Park's answers remain the same regardless of the question, and that someone altered his memories 20 years ago. The interview he conducted with Park was brief, so it's surprising he noticed the consistency of his responses.
Others: Pattern Recognition

Nambong states that a strong blow would not bring back Nam's memories and then surmises that he suffered from memory erasure.
Crystalyzed Intelect: Knowledge
Reasoning: Inductive Reasoning

Nambong deduces that Moon was actually Park Dong Hui.
Thinking: Lateral Thinking
Reasoning: Abductive Reasoning

Baek doesn't cry upon learning of Chun's death. I know this might not seem like much, but let me explain. In the manhwa (which this isn't a faithful adaptation of), seeing this caused Baek to cry, releasing all the emotions he had unconsciously held back for almost his entire life and triggering the asylum arc. That didn't happen here; Nambong doesn't cry.
EQ: Emotional Management

Nambong has a hallucination of Professor Cheon, the hallucination identifies sadness in Nambong and tells him to let it out.
FSIQ: VSI
EQ: Emotional Understanding
Others: Metacognition

Nambong decides to send Seonga to study abroad.
Others: Decision making

The End

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