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Phony Traits Poll

Best sign of a phony:

false clothes (collar, clip tie..) (17)	8%	
super-firm handshake (7)	3%	
altered or loud voice (15)	7%	
over-enthusiasm (46)	23%	
snowing/acting (22)	11%	
inconsideration (10)	5%	
favoring the rich (17)	8%	
deliberate corniness (12)	6%	
showing off (34)	17%	
(not listed, see comments) (19)	9%	

Total Votes: 199

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(in reverse order, as usual)

over enthusiasm is a good trait, not a sign of phonyess	10/20/00 12:27:56 PM
extremely religious	10/20/00 11:38:56 AM
showing off, as in trying to prove to others that you are "deep" or whatever, when you're really shallow. trying too hard. ignorance.	10/19/00 10:13:37 PM
If no one could tell the difference bet. phony and real, everyone who read Catcher would just say, "Huh, what's he talking about?" Suzanne, on a roll.	10/19/00 9:43:16 PM
Re: inner monster.. fearing monsters becomes fearing being engaged.. becomes fearing reality.. becomes embracing phoniness. Suzanne	10/19/00 9:39:24 PM

Well, "getting all pretentious and acting" is a good sign of a phony. Suzanne	10/19/00 9:28:46 PM
People should stop talking about everyone else just to have some thing to say, find something goddam intresting to conversate about!!!!	10/19/00 8:43:52 PM
People should stop talking about other people just to have some thing to talk about, find something goddam else to say!!!!	10/19/00 8:41:19 PM
everyody is a phony sometime, no use getting all pretentious and acting like you're so real	10/19/00 12:18:40 PM
whats the difference? no one can tell. outward appearances only give way to the inner monster	10/18/00 8:18:58 AM
altered voice/ clothes	10/18/00 8:17:49 AM
I think being over-enthusiastic makes people fake. It's like pretending you're some one you're not. It's too fake. If a person's not enthusiastic, you should just admit it!!	10/16/00 5:32:51 PM
I thought about voting for "over-enthusiasm" but it's the same as showing off. People like to tell you where they've been and what they've done.	10/16/00 3:41:07 PM
I think all of these factors make a person phonie in a way, but we all are some kind of phonies, so the best thing we can do is avoid being phony	10/8/00 9:32:38 AM

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