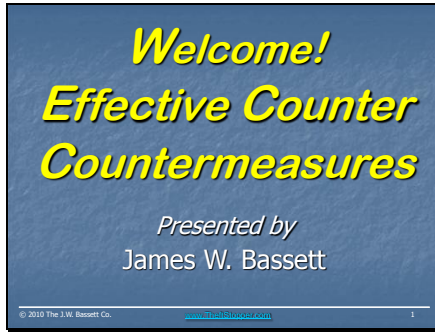
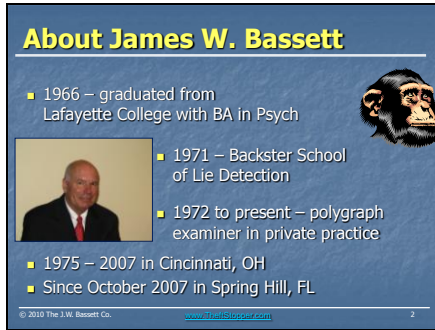


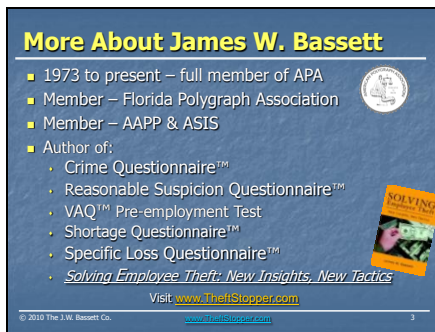
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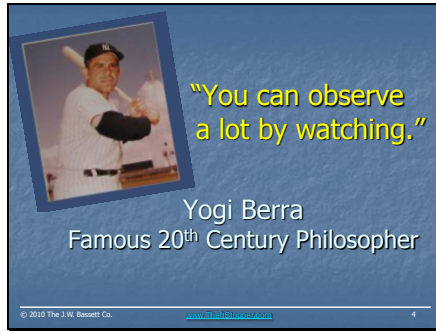
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Set the Stage: Script

- Clarify case facts
- Draft your questions – short, impactful & relevant
- Review & prepare

* Periodically visit anti-polygraph websites to be familiar with latest counter-measures!

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"Tell the truth and you won't have to remember so much."

- Abraham Lincoln

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Some Examinees Will Try to Test You, Too!!



Be prepared!


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Polygraph Testing

Stim Test ...

- Acquaintance Test, Calibration Test, Practice Test
- Optional in 1971 – pre-drugs & internet
- Essential now!



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Polygraph Testing

Question:
Why does a guilty suspect take a polygraph test?

Answer:

1. It doesn't matter to him – or
2. She believes she can beat it

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Types of Countermeasures

- Physical
- Chemical
- Psychological

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Types of Countermeasures
Good Book Testing Technique




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Types of Countermeasures
Deliberate Movement

- "This chart tells me you are deliberately moving. Stop, or you won't pass."
- Do not tell him he will flunk
- Don't mention inconclusive




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Types of Countermeasures
"Instant Replay"

- Uppers = more nervous
- Downers = lower heart rate = slow motion ... *easier to read!*
- Watch & observe reactions!




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Types of Countermeasures
“Internet Countermeasure”

- Google “polygraph” – mostly anti-polygraph sites!
- “Did you search internet? Find anti-polygraph sites? They *increase* my business – a lot!
- Watch & observe reactions!




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In “Blink” Paul Eckman is quoted:

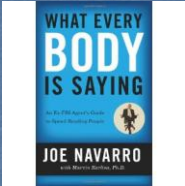
“People routinely fool lie detectors by putting themselves in a state of belief.”

Do you believe it?



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Written Pre-Test Appraisal

- a. Predicts polygraph outcome
- b. Departs from anti-polygraph websites
- c. Uncovers inconsistencies
- d. Can suggest comparison questions
- e. Can produce behaviors &/or gestures
- f. Builds confidence for NDI's; DI's more uncomfortable




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The Ultimate Counter-Countermeasure

The Unknown Known Solution Stim Test

- Ultimate counter-countermeasure
- Reduces inconclusives to near zero
- Proves polygraph works
- Guilty get nervous; innocent reassured
- If no response, ask how feeling



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The Ultimate Counter-Countermeasure

Leverage Stim Test Success

If the polygraph can tell when you lie about something insignificant as a number you picked, it will certainly tell if you lie about something that means more.

Right?

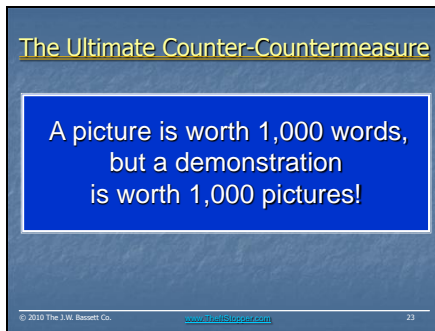


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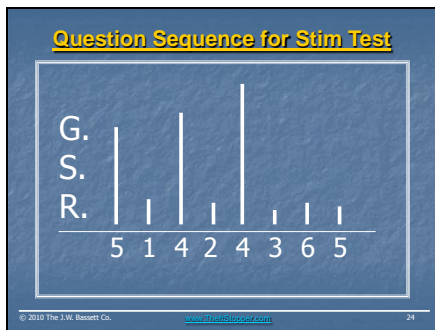
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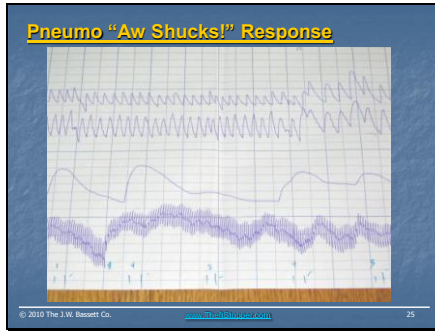
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To conduct a conclusive polygraph, employ a series of counter-countermeasures.

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Comparison Questions

Research by Dr. Horvath & others shows that... inclusive comparison questions are better than exclusive comparison questions for identifying innocent examinees.

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Examples of Comparison Questions in Murder Cases

1. Did you ever want to beat someone up?
2. Did you ever cause (serious) physical harm to someone?
3. Did you ever want to kill someone, but changed your mind?
4. Did you ever wonder what it would feel like to kill someone?
5. Did you ever think about (seriously consider) hurting someone?
6. Did you ever want someone else to die?

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Stimming Comparison Questions

- Review test questions
- Express incredulity on controls
- Ask what he was thinking about when each question came up
- Modify if necessary

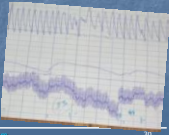
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Test Results

- NDI – easy!
- DI – be direct, clear, confident



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Polygraph Testing

Suspect Responses

- Feigns disbelief
- Makes excuses
- Blames the polygraph instrument
- Blames other events/stresses
- Says "Prove it!"
- Lays guilt trip on examiner
- Questions your confidence

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Polygraph Testing

Suspect Responses

- Wants another test/chance
- Tells you you're wrong
- "I'll swear on my mother's grave..."
- "May God strike me dead..."
- "Does it say I lied on other questions?"
- Others???

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Polygraph Testing

Second Confrontation

E: Are you telling me that I made a mistake?
That I'm wrong? Incompetent?

S: No, no. Maybe it's my nerves or something I ate...

E: It has to be one or the other – either I'm wrong
or you are lying.

S: I guess you're wrong then...

E: You guess? Come on, we both know you haven't
told the truth.

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Polygraph Testing
Post-Polygraph Gambit

E: At this point, you have 3 choices:

1. You can accept the results and I'll report that you flunked;
2. I could give you a re-test another day;
3. You could go to a different examiner and take another polygraph.

Which do you want to do?

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Polygraph Testing
Interpretations of Gambit Answers

1. Confirms guilt by OK with sending DI results to employer
2. Confirms guilt by wanting re-test by me
3. The only right answer – going to a different examiner
4. "I don't know" – confirms guilt

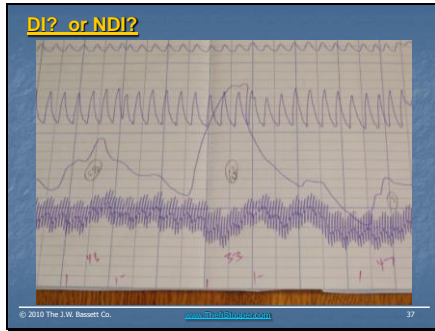
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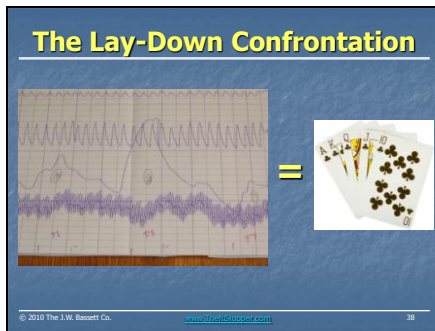
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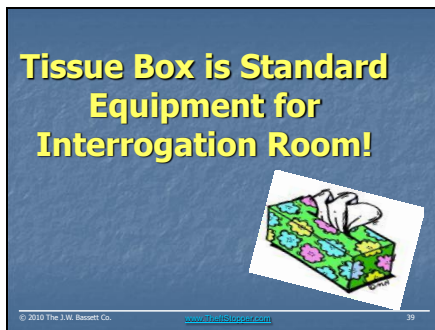
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Polygraph Testing

Dealing with Inconclusives

- A. Inconclusives are my best friend
- B. Private examiners – don't charge for re-tests. They are learning opportunity.
- C. Never run re-tests exactly the same...

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Retests:

- 1. Do I need more case facts?
- 2. Anything on pre-test assessment to help improve re-test?
- 3. Always change the comparison questions.

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Retests:

- 4. Can relevant questions be improved? Too long? Too ambiguous?
- 5. Different format better?
- 6. Change some things even if not sure.
- 7. Run at a different time of day

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Dealing with Inconclusives

- D. Do a post-test interview – ask examinee’s opinion.
- E. The more inconclusives now, the fewer in the future.
- F. Remember – we always learn more from our “failures” than from our successes.

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Wrap Up

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