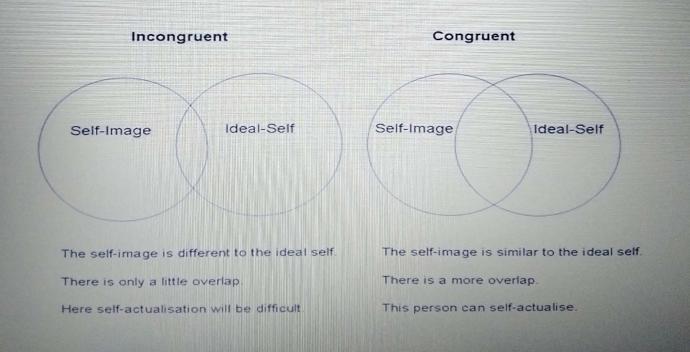


CARL ROGER'S HUMANISTIC THEORY

- Carl Roger was a humanistic psychologist who agreed with the main assumptions of Abraham Maslow.
- Roger added that a person to 'grow' needs an environment that provides them with acceptance, genuineness and empathy.
- Roger believed that humans have one basic motive, that is the tendency to self actualize, i.e., to fulfil one's potential and achieve the highest level of human beingness.

- Carl Roger believed that for a person to achieve self- actualization they must be ina state of congruence.
- This means that the person's <u>ideal self</u> should be conguent to his actual behaviour (selfimage).



Roger introduced the concept of fully functioning person;



A person who is aware of his/her deepest and innermost feelings and desires. He identified the characteristics of a fully functioning person as:

- Openness to experience (both positive and negative)
- Existential Living (in touch with different experiences as they occur in life, avoiding prejudging and preconceptions)
- Trust feelings
- Creativity
- Fulfilled life (a person who is happy and satisfied with life).

HOMEWORKS

- 1. Discuss the role of home and school in the formation of personality.
- Explain the characteristics of Type A, B and C personalities.
- 3. What is superego? Discuss the role of superego in personality development.
- 4. Explain:
- (i) Oral Stage
- (ii) Id
- (iii) Trait theory