

# The Portrayal and Representation of Ed Kemper in *Mind Hunter*

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Ed Kemper was a California based serial killer in the 70's. He killed 10 people in total including his grandparents at the age of 15 and his mother. *Mind Hunter* is a Netflix produced show focused on the beginnings of the FBI's Serial Crime Unit. This poster investigates the portrayal and representation of Kemper in the show.

### Physical Characteristics:

- Tall and broad
- Glasses
- Mustache
- "swept over" hair

### Other Characteristics:

- Significant intelligence
- Sense of humor
- Approachable and good at conversation
- Raised by a single mother who was abusive

Overall, the representation of Kemper in the show is an accurate portrayal of who he is as an individual.



### Theories discussed in the research paper:

- Cultivation Theory
- Feminist theories
- Masculinity theories

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