

THERE SEEMS TO BE SOMETHING in the human psyche that is naturally drawn to the unexplainable. Although I have accomplished much in my twenty plus years in the corporate world, what snares most people's fascination is my ability to remote view. While the term "remote viewing" has become a catchall phrase for numerous parapsychology activities, the remote viewing I practice is a structured process developed by the U.S. military to obtain information on places, people, and things that are distant in time/space. After the government admitted to having a unit of psychic spies and declassified the information related to this program, some of the participants chose to share their experiences and training. While there are other types of psychics, the term remote viewing traditionally refers to the original members of this unit or a skilled student of one of these former military viewers. Anyone calling him- or herself a remote viewer who did not participate in the military unit or is not a student of someone who did is simply hijacking the term. In my case, I study with Lyn Buchanan whose program, Controlled Remote Viewing (CRV), is based directly on the military's proven methods.

When people think of psychic readings they often conjure up images of Madam WuWoo adorned with gypsy bangles staring into a crystal ball. While some of the misconceptions surrounding psychic phenomena have been overcome as a result of popular TV programs that portray natural psychics working with law enforcement, psychic ability is still considered more of a curiosity than a credible skill by most people. There are natural psychics among us who can access information distant in time and space without the structure of remote viewing. There are also charlatans posturing themselves as gifted psychics to make a quick dollar. In CRV we use a specific protocol to describe a "target." During our training sessions we work with a variety of "targets." The information we gather during a viewing session is written down, summarized, and analyzed. Pictures or actual site visits verify whether or not we "hit the target." CRV is structured in such a way that there is no room to "fudge" based on the questions someone is asking, the background information provided, body language, facial expressions or anything of the sort because in most cases we are never exposed to the actual person seeking information. We are given nothing more than a set of random numbers called "coordinates" which launches the session. Then, we either hit the target, or we don't. If our target was a small village in Siberia during a winter festival that took place a number of years ago, we either accurately described that scene or we did not.

Some people believe that if we are truly psychic we should be able to pick the correct lottery tickets or work our stock market investments to the ultimate advantage. The truth is, we can do all that. The problem is, no one is ever 100 percent correct. And there is another issue: Our subconscious mind, the part of us that accesses this information, has its own set of rules and ideas of how life should be. Lyn shares the story of how a group of students were gambling at

the casino near his home. One was placing bets based on Lyn's suggestions. The student was racking up significant winnings. Elated with his success, he handed Lyn \$500.00. Lyn missed every call from that point on. While he consciously had no reservations about betting, his subconscious mind, developed in a very traditional environment, had different ideas.

My initial motivation for learning CRV was a desire to help find lost children. It is tough, gut-wrenching work. I know I can remote view, but I don't know if I can do that work. Regardless of the capacity in which I use my CRV skills, I have learned that it is important to use them. Sheldrake's theory of a morphogenic field appears to have validity in the world of remote viewing. Each time a viewer opens the door to the collective conscious, all of mankind benefits from the opportunity to expand its perceptions of life. Some will embrace it. Some will not. During one "break" in class, we learned how to bend spoons using our minds. Almost everyone in the class succeeded. It is true: A mind stretched never returns to its original limitations. Once we have accomplished something that far beyond the traditional perception of reality, everything we ever thought is irreversibly transformed and we never see anything in the world the same way again. Our mind holds tremendous power that remains virtually untapped. It is time to start taking full advantage of the possibilities. Those who are curious and courageous enough to step outside traditional norms will find they truly can accomplish things they did not even know were possible.



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