The interplay between empathy and authenticity in moments of clinical disjunction (1er llamado de Diciembre de 2016)

Answer the following questions:

1. Read the abstract and select 6 key words.

2. Explain the relation between authenticity, analyst’s subjectivity and freedom. Why is the link between these concepts important for therapy?

3. Explain Van Der Heide’s argument regarding the analyst’s authenticity

4. Compare Orange’s approach with Van Der Heide’s. Point out similarities and differences.

5. What are Fossage’s contributions to the topic of empathy and authenticity?

6. Explain the concept of disjunction and its relevance to the case studied

7. What is the problem found in Abigail?

8. Give an example that illustrates the disjunction in Abigail’s case. What controversial topic does the therapist have to address? What is the therapist’s first reaction?

9. Why the initial reaction of the therapist towards Abigail’s news had been positive?

10. Explain Abigail’s and the therapist’s experience when their relation changes.

11. Explain the author’s analysis related to the different theories addressed in the discussion.