Compare the three clusters of personality disorders & nursing interventions for each cluster:

Clusters	Defining Characteristics	Nursing Interventions
Cluster A 1. paranoid personality disorder 2. schizoid personality disorder 3. schizotypical personality disorder	1. - pervasive, persistent, and inappropriate mistrust of others - suspicious of others motives and assume that others intend to exploit, harm or deceive them 2. - primarily characterized by profound defect in the ability to form personal relationships - failure to respond to others in a meaningful emotional way 3. - Resembles schizophrenia → may develop into - up to 10% suicide	- Establish trust - professional demeanor - Be honest - clear, simple explanations - set limits
Cluster B 1. Antisocial personality disorder 2. Borderline personality disorder 3. Borderline personality 4. Narcissistic personality Disorder	1. - Fails to maintain consistent employment; conform to law - manipulates others for personal gain - Absence of remorse for hurting others 2. - pattern of intense and chaotic relationships with affective instability - Fluctuating & extreme attitudes towards others - Highly impulsive — chronic feelings of emptiness - chronic depression - Abandonment issues 3. - Emotionally unstable - Dissociate under stress - Difficulty controlling anger - self destructive - splitting defense - High suicide rate 4. - sense of entitlement — lack of empathy - Believe they should receive — Envious of others special considerations — tantrums	- positive reinforcement for unselfish or other-center behavior - keep communication and interactions professional - provide support - Help clarify true feelings - Assess for suicidal ideations
Cluster C 1. Dependent personality disorder 2. Avoidant personality disorder 3. Obsessive compulsive disorder	1. - pattern of relying on others for emotional support - common within the population (women) - intense fear of separation and being alone - easily hurt by criticism and disapproval - Tolerant of poor, even abusive relationships - support from others - ↑ levels of anxiety 2. - Extreme sensitivity to rejection - social withdrawal / awkward & uncomfortable - fear of being rejected - lonley & feel unwanted - view others as critical and betraying 3. - inflexability about the way things are done - Devotion to productivity at the exclusion of personal pleasure - concerned about matters of organization - rigid and unbending — High achievers - socially polite and formal	- Teach and role model assertiveness - Friendly, gentle reassuring approach - guard against power struggles - provide structure - Assist in developing effective coping techniques