

## AP Psychology Summer Assignment

Welcome to AP Psychology! I am very excited that you have decided to take this course, which will give a sound introduction to basic psychology and research principles. I hope that throughout the year you will be able to make connections between this class and your everyday experiences.

As summer may be fast approaching, or heck, maybe it's the middle of summer and your only now starting this assignment, alas, it **MUST BE** done. This is a college level elective course with higher expectations than most high school courses.

Because we are preparing for our AP Psychology exam in May, it is essential that we get a head start on our work. The assignments below are mandatory if you plan on maintaining enrollment in the course and will reflect your initial Schoology scores.

### PART I

The first assignment will incorporate some technology. TED is a nonprofit organization devoted to spreading ideas in short, powerful talks in 18 minutes or less. TED is an acronym for technology, entertainment, and design.

I have sifted through the psychology section of TED and found 10 “talks” that could be of interest. Of these ten, you are to watch any **SIX** of your choosing. After listening to these lectures, you will provide a one paragraph summary OF EACH LECTURE consisting of at least seven sentences. Feel free to incorporate your opinion of the talk and discuss terms you were interested in, as well as terms you were unsure about.

**\*\*Please do not type your responses, write neatly on College ruled paper\*\***

1. Philip Zimbardo: The Psychology of Evil
2. Martin Seligman: New Era of Positive Psychology
3. Elizabeth Loftus: How Reliable Is Your Memory
4. Susan Cain: Power of Introverts
5. Keith Barry: Brain Magic Tony Robbins: Why We Do What We Do
6. Angela Lee Duckworth: The Key To Success - Grit
7. Amy Cuddy: Body Language Shapes Who You Are
8. Dan Gilbert: Surprising Science of Happiness
9. Pamela Meyer: How To Spot A Liar
10. Ben Ambridge - 10 Myths About Psychology Debunked

### PART II

Identify **all 15** of the following important figures in psychology (including from which perspective they come from: perspectives listed in section III) and describe their most significant contributions (3-4 sentences, including their country of origin, years they were famous, and a detailed description not only of their contribution, but how it impacted psychology):

**Example:**

Psychologist	Psychological Perspective	Significant Contributions
Charles Darwin	Evolutionary	Charles Darwin, contributed the scientific principle that human beings evolved from different creatures. This is significant because he was essentially challenging thousands of years of Christian belief systems. ...

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| 1. Albert Bandura | 6. Ivan Pavlov   | 11. Wilhelm Wundt     |
| 2. Abraham Maslow | 7. Sigmund Freud | 12. Philip Zimbardo   |
| 3. Carl Rogers    | 8. William James | 13. John Watson       |
| 4. Howard Gardner | 9. B.F. Skinner  | 14. Lawrence Kohlberg |
| 5. Erik Erikson   | 10. Jean Piaget  | 15. Charles Darwin    |

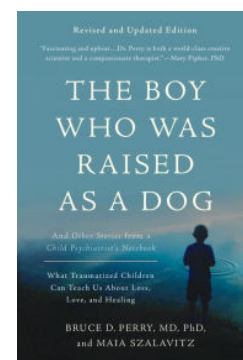
Describe each of the 8 main perspectives within psychology listed below and give an example of the type of research a person might do within that perspective:

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| 1. Biological         | 4. Psychodynamic | 7. Social Cultural |
| 2. Evolutionary       | 5. Behavioral    | 8. Humanistic      |
| 3. Behavioral-Genetic | 6. Cognitive     |                    |

**PART III**

Read **The Boy Who Was Raised As A Dog and Other Stories from a Child Psychiatrist's Notebook**

- Please purchase the book on Amazon (\$9.89) or Barnes and Noble (\$14.88)  
*You may also choose to borrow the book from the library.*
- As you read the novel, please complete the following assignment
  - Briefly summarize each chapter (there are 11 total). Summaries should discuss the child receiving therapy, the therapeutic approach, and the outcome. Summaries may be typed or handwritten.



**SUMMER HOMEWORK CHECKLIST**

- 1) 6 TED Talk summaries (Handwritten)
- 2) 15 Psychologists Defined (Handwritten)
- 3) 8 Psychology Perspectives Defined (Handwritten)
- 4) 11 Summaries Based on "The Boy Who Was Raised By a Dog" (Typed or Handwritten)

***\*Please Ensure that all assignments are labeled properly***

***Last Name, First Name  
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Date***