

AP PSYCHOLOGY SUMMER READING 2018

This course has been designed to help you prepare for and pass the AP Psychology Exam on May 9, 2019. During the school year, it is my hope to provide you with a working knowledge of the theories, personalities, and important terms in psychology. In order to provide you with a solid foundation for success in this course (who wants a 5 on that test?) and to discover the great history of this field, I am providing you an opportunity to get a head start on our studies for the 2018-2019 school year. Early preparation can only lead you one step further toward success on the AP Exam.

Your summer reading encompasses several parts. Be sure to read through all instructions carefully.

Part One: Join our Google Classroom

The code for our class is: is4anx

Google Classroom will be utilized for discussions and assignments throughout the year. Plan to check in often! Students who stay connected are more likely to have success in this course.

Join our Google Classroom by Tuesday, June 12.

Part Two: Join Quizlet and download the free app on all of your devices.

Quizlet is a free website providing learning tools for students, including flashcards, study and game modes. It was created by high school sophomore Andrew Sutherland in 2005 and now contains over 40 million study sets. All of the material is user-generated.

Go to our Google Classroom to sign up or use this <https://quizlet.com/join/ZkkVwGNMg> to sign up for our class. When you create your username, be sure to use a form of your actual name (Ex: amywerner1) and not a nickname (Ex: princesspoptart).

We will use Quizlet throughout the year as a study tool. Vocabulary is a huge part of the AP test! Use your time this summer to become familiar with how Quizlet works. I will be posting the flashcards for Unit One for you to study.

Join our Quizlet class by Friday, June 15

Part Three: Unit 1 (History and Approaches)

Read Modules 1-3 Psychology's History and Approaches and complete the accompanying study guide.

Modules will be given to you as your own copies. I highly recommend that you annotate, underline, and highlight as you are reading. Simply reading through a text does little for your memory if you do not interact with the information. This is a great unit for you to start to develop note-taking habits that you will use throughout the year.

The test over Modules 1-3 will be on Friday, September 7th.

Completed study guides will add 5 points to your overall test grade.

Part Four: Psychologist Speed Dating

AP PSYCHOLOGY SPEED DATING ASSIGNMENT

Essential Question: Who were the major historical figures in Psychology and what was the contribution of each?

Objective: Students will gain a better understanding of the contributions of key people to the study of psychology by performing research and taking on the role of a psychologist in a speed dating simulation.

Task: You are to research your randomly assigned psychologist. You will then come to class on Monday, September 10th, prepared to take on the role of the person you researched. You will be asked to circulate around the room in a "speed dating" type simulation, meeting one historical psychologist at a time for 3-4 minutes each.

Your psychologist: _____

Bring with you to class:

1. A notecard (or notecard size paper) with the essential information from your research. The card is basically a cheat-sheet to ensure you cover all the relevant information and correctly represent yourself. It would be good to include the psychologist's name, details of their research and/or importance, what school of thought (cognitive, behaviorist, psychoanalytic, evolutionary, etc.) if appropriate. Also be sure to include some other facts about the psychologist, (remember you're on a date so you need to be ready to share some interesting anecdotes about yourself to charm your suitor). Review some of the dating questions below to make sure you will have some great conversation starters for your dates.
2. A prop of some kind to represent your research.

Questions to think about...(how would your psychologist answer these questions-feel free to be creative here Ex: Sigmund Freud loves to spend a Saturday talking about his mother)

What kinds of things really make you laugh? What's your biggest goal in life right now? What is your favorite way to spend a Saturday? What was your family like growing up? What were you like as a kid?



_____ 5 points Prop that represents Psychologist
_____ 5 points Note Card with details about your psychologist
_____ 10 points Completed Dating Sheet (will be completed during the activity)
Total _____/20 points

Speed Dating Activity will take place on Monday, September 10th.

Class Supplies

Since it seems that school supplies are out in stores as early as the end of June, I am providing your list of class supplies now so that you may take advantage of early bird sales. If you need any assistance with getting supplies, please do not hesitate to drop me an email so I can help out!

Must Have:

2 inch binder (Yes, you will fill it up!)

16 divider tabs (you can buy fancy dividers or simply cut apart manila folders-whatever works for you)

Post-it notes

Nice to Have:

Highlighters or colored pens for notes/study guides

A study book. Here are some suggestions:

5 Steps to a 5 book. New or used! You do not need the most recent copy, but make sure the copy you get is from 2014 or later.

Psychology: Preparing for the Advanced Placement Examination By Charles D. Schallhorn

I am looking forward to a great year with all of you! If you have any questions over the summer, please feel free to contact me at a.werner711@gmail.com or send me a message via Google Classroom.

Have a fun and relaxing summer!

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