

Welcome to AP Psychology!!!!

I hope that you find this course fascinating, meaningful, and comprehensible. Fascinating and meaningful will be easy to achieve, the course content is incredible. Comprehensible will take some work. The amount of information that you are expected to learn in a short period of time is staggering. Although it is staggering it is possible.

It is made possible with great organization, streamlining, and hard work.

I've created a compendium for the class. The compendium is a collection of compiled resources. You may find the compendium on the class school wires site.

First, go to AP psychology, then click on general resources, and then click on Compendium. You will be prompted to enter a password. The password is the same for all materials. Password= **Choice**

Summer assignment:

Using the compendium

Identify the vocabulary for the following units

Memory (located in the Cognition unit)

History and Approaches

Research Methods

Note: You are more than welcome to continue working on the vocabulary list of the other units but I am only assigning the units above for the summer.

You have many options in terms of vocabulary. **I will not** assign a specific method for you to follow. You may make flash cards (the most common approach), word lists in notebooks, and/or quizlets.

Completion of this work is not mandatory, but it will make your life much easier as you enter the class.

Optional assignments:

If you desire to get ahead of your work, you may start completing the workbook assignments.

Assignments 1 through 3 correspond to the first topic covered.

Optional Reading:

Forty Studies That Changed Psychology by Roger R. Hock

I recommend purchasing the book on Amazon

However, you can easily find the book on the internet. Simply use GOOGLE and search

Forty Studies That Changed Psychology by Roger R. Hock pdf.

Anomalistic Psychology: Exploring Paranormal Belief and Experience by Christopher C. French & Anna Stone

This book can also be purchased on Amazon

Or you can simply look up articles written by Chris French

Anomalistic Psychologists use psychology and science to explain why people believe in the paranormal and feel that they have experienced paranormal events.

This is an interesting topic that we will study during the course. Besides its high level of interest, anomalistic psychology is the perfect supplement to help students understand the concepts of psychology and science.

Define and Apply the following the following Vocab and/or concepts

memory	long-term potentiation (LTP)
encoding	recall
storage	recognition
retrieval	relearning
parallel processing	priming
sensory memory	mood-congruent memory
short-term memory	serial position effect
long-term memory	anterograde amnesia
working memory	retrograde amnesia
explicit memory	proactive interference
effortful processing	retroactive interference
automatic processing	repression
implicit memory	misinformation effect
iconic memory	source amnesia
echoic memory	déjà vu
chunking	
mnemonics	
spacing effect	
testing effect	
shallow processing	
deep processing	
hippocampus	
flashbulb memory	

Key People

Hermann Ebbinghaus
Wolfgang Köhler
Elizabeth Loftus
George A. Miller

Define and Apply the following the following Vocab and/or concepts

empiricism
structuralism
functionalism
experimental psychology
behaviorism
humanistic psychology
cognitive neuroscience
Psychology
nature-nurture debate
natural selection
levels of analysis
behavioral psychology

biological psychology
cognitive psychology
evolutionary psychology
psychodynamic psychology
social-cultural psychology
psychometrics
basic research
developmental psychology
educational psychology
personality psychology

social psychology
applied research
industrial-organizational psychology
human factors psychology
counseling psychology
clinical psychology
psychiatry
positive psychology
community psychology
testing effect
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Key People:

Mary Whiton Calkins
Charles Darwin
Dorothea Dix
Sigmund Freud
Max Wertheimer

G. Stanley Hall
William James
Abraham Maslow
Ivan Pavlov
Jean Piaget
Wilhelm Wundt

Carl Rogers
B. F. Skinner
Margaret Floy Washburn
John B. Watson

Define and Apply the following the following Vocab and/or concepts

- hindsight bias
- critical thinking
- theory
- hypothesis
- operational definition
- replication
- case study
- naturalistic observation
- survey
- sampling bias
- population
- random sample
- correlation
- correlation coefficient
- scatterplot
- illusory correlation
- experiment
- experimental group
- control group
- random assignment
- double-blind procedure
- placebo effect
- independent variable
- confounding variable
- dependent variable
- validity
- descriptive statistics
- mode
- mean
- median
- skewed distribution
- range
- standard deviation
- normal curve
- inferential statistics
- statistical significance
- culture
- informed consent
- debriefing