

Psychology

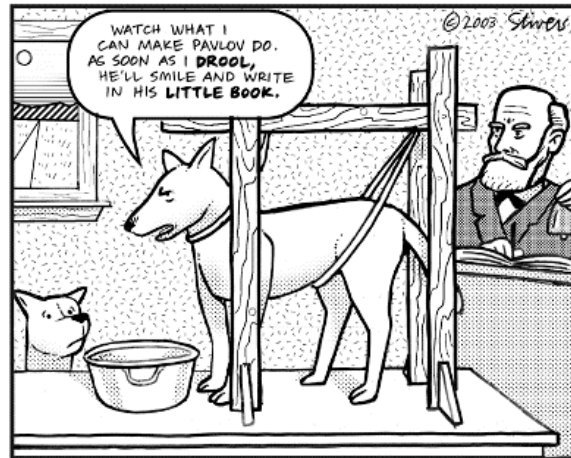
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Course Outline:

The Study of Psychology
History and Perspectives
Psychobiology
Human Development
Learning and Memory
Sensation and Perception
Sleep and Consciousness
Emotion
Personality
Disorders
Social Psychology



Student Responsibilities

The following is a summary of the expectations and requirements for Psychology. Please read this and share it with your parents. It is your responsibility to ask questions if you do not understand the course requirements.

Attendance

It is important that you are in class. The learning that occurs in many of the lectures and discussions cannot be duplicated in readings. If you happen to miss a day of class, it is your responsibility to find out what you have missed, please see me if you are absent. You are responsible for all information presented in this class. If you are truant, you will receive a zero for all work completed that day and will not be given an opportunity to make it up. On class discussion days, you will receive participation points for being present. If you are absent the day of a class discussion, you will not receive credit for that day.

Tardy Policy

Tardiness will result in 30 minutes detention after the third tardy. You may make your tardiness up before or after school, or by an in-class activity. If detention is not served by the end of the quarter an incomplete will be given until the time is made up.

Cell Phones

Cell phone use (phone calls or text-messaging) is NOT permitted in class. Cell phone use will result in the loss of your phone.

Communication

I encourage and welcome you, as an active student, to come talk with me anytime you are having difficulties with the course or have questions. You may contact me anytime by email, or stop in before or after school to chat. I will usually be available from 7:30 am – 3:15 pm.

Grading Policy

It is to my belief that every student can be successful in this course if they take advantage of the opportunities presented to them.

Each student will be graded on a percentage basis using these guidelines:

90-100%	A	60-69.9%	D
80-89.9%	B	Below 60%	F
70-79.9%	C		

Grading of work for this course includes:

1. Written assignments and projects will be graded. **Late work will not be accepted.** If an extension is needed on large course projects or papers, it needs to be pre-arranged with Ms. Elsen before the day the assignment is due; otherwise one letter grade will be reduced each day the assignment is late. Important: Even though you are encouraged to share ideas with others, make sure that the final product of all your assignments is your own.

2. I encourage you to turn in your late work for one point. This one point shows me that you care about your learning, and in return, I will let you keep the extra credit you accumulate throughout the quarter. If you have any missing work at the end of the quarter, your extra credit will be zeroed out. (See number 6 about extra credit policy.)

3. Notes are required for each chapter covered or assigned in the course. Notes are due the day of the test, and will not receive points if turned in late. Additional book questions may be assigned throughout the chapter. Book questions will be due on a specified date by Ms. Elsen, and will not receive credit if turned in late.

4. Quizzes will be given during each chapter to prepare you for the chapter test.

5. There is no re-testing in this course. Be prepared to do your best on the day the test is scheduled. If absent, you have up to one week from your return date to take the test. All tests must be taken for a successful completion of this course.

6. Extra credit: There will be very few opportunities to work for extra credit, however the extra credit accumulated throughout the quarter will not be accepted if you have late assignments. Extra credit is a gift for those that worked hard the first time around and is looking to boost their grade a bit, not for those that chose not to do the work the first time around.

Please remember that grades are not gifts, they are earned! Expect the best from yourself, you deserve it!

Grades will be updated frequently throughout the week online- feel free to check your progress from at home! ☺