

AP Psychology Summer Assignment, 2016

Congratulations on your course selection of AP Psychology.

You have made a wise yet demanding choice. You will have the opportunity to find out what makes people tick and have a better understanding of yourself as well. I have high expectations for this class and demand students who are willing to put in the required effort necessary to succeed. My goal is for every student enrolled in the class to pass the AP Exam in May and earn college credit.

That requires dedication, enthusiasm, and hard work on both our parts. I will do my job and I expect you to do yours. I am looking forward to an outstanding year with you. Please complete the assignments below before we meet in September. Have a great and safe summer!

I. “You Are Not So Smart” Podcasts:

YOU ARE NOT SO SMART
A Celebration of Self Delusion

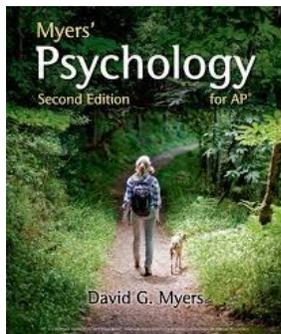
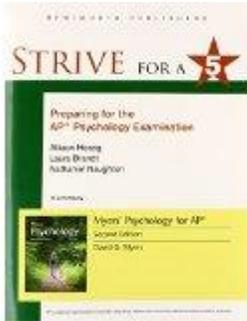


Visit David McRaney’s website at www.youarenotsosmart.com and listen to three of the podcasts that look interesting to you. When finished you should write an 8-10 sentence paragraph. You should provide a brief summary, an explanation of what you learned from the podcast and anything that was surprising to you. *Be sure to provide the title, podcast # and date posted as a heading.*

II. TED Talks

Choose three different TED talks to watch that are interesting to you. Searching ‘Psychology’ brings up 39 pages- find something that you find interesting to watch. When finished you should write an 8-10 sentence paragraph. You should provide a brief summary, an explanation of what you learned from the talk and anything that was surprising to you. *Be sure to provide the title as a heading.*

III. Course Materials:



It is imperative that you purchase the textbook and Strive Guide before school begins. We will be using both of these right away and you do not want to start the year without the materials and fall behind. It will also be a good idea to get a notebook as well. I don't care what you have, although I think a binder is a better way to stay organized.

All sections must be completed and written before school begins. *They will be due on Friday, 9/9.* The first two items should be saved as one document that is done in order (podcasts then TED talks). Insert a page break after each section as well as after each podcast paragraph and TED paragraph (doing it right should yield 6 pages). Failure to format properly will result in a point deduction. The document should be ready to be uploaded to Google Classroom when we return to school. You will be provided with an access code the first day of school that you will use to submit the assignment.

All written work is due on 9/9

This is the due date even if your particular section does not meet for class. My policy is to accept late work with a 10% grade reduction per day- please turn it in on time.

Any questions? Send me an email-- nnaughton@achs.net