

Psychology
Skyline High School
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Course Description: Psychology is a senior level survey course, which introduces the basic concepts found in psychological study. Units of study include an exploration of the Brain and Body, an analysis of Motivation and Emotion, an investigation of the theories behind Learning and Personality, and a journey into the world of currently diagnosed Mental Disorders. Through discussion, analysis of case studies and video representation, the course focuses on the investigation and practical application of multiple psychological approaches.

Units of Study:

Origins of Psychology
Biopsychology
Cognitive Theories

Personality Traits and Theories
Abnormal Psychology

Movies & Video List:

Throughout the semester we will be viewing edited selections from the following videos. Please contact me if you have any concerns.

At First Sight	Sybil	Nell
Regarding Henry	One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest	Total Recall
Phenomenon	As Good As It Gets	
Rainman	What About Bob?	

Materials: You are required to have a 3-ring notebook, with 5 dividers labeled: Varia, Notes and Handouts, Daily Quizzes, Work in Progress, and Completed Work. You must save all of your completed work for the semester. All work for this course is to be completed in Blue or Black ink.

Due Dates and Late Work:

Assignments are due during class on the date specified. Turning in work on time is critical to learning the content and skills needed for this class. If you miss the due date you may turn in work within one week of the due date for half credit. Work turned in more than 1 week late will receive zero credit.

If you are absent and the absence is excused, you will have 2 days for every day absent to complete and turn in work. The same goes for missing exams. **Work and exams missed due to an unexcused absence will be given no credit.**

Attendance is mandatory. Excessive absenteeism will result in failure. There is a daily warm-up that cannot be made up.

Your grade will be determined by the following criterion:

1. Daily Warm-Up
2. Homework
3. Quizzes
4. Essays
5. Classroom Participation

Grading Scale:

90 - 100 A
80 - 89 B
70 - 79 C
60 - 69 D
Under 60 F

Student Name: _____ Parent Signature: _____