

## **SUMMER 2018 AP PSYCHOLOGY ASSIGNMENT (due 08/31/18)**

In preparation for your AP Psychology course next year, you are required to select FIVE of the following psychological studies from Hock's *Forty Studies that Changed Psychology: Explorations into the History of Psychological Research*. After reading each of these articles, you will need to respond to the attached questions in a typed, cogent 5-page essay. It is recommended that you spend no more than one page commenting on each study. This assignment will be graded and will be a test grade for a future quarter.

**Study 1: *One Brain or Two?*** (pp.1-10)

**Study 2: *Are You a "Natural?"*** (pp. 19-26)

**Study 3: *Take a Long Look*** (pp. 36-42)

**Study 4: *Knock Wood!*** (pp.78-84)

**Study 5: *Thanks for the Memories*** (pp.117-125)

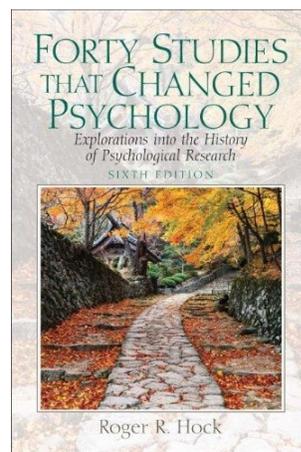
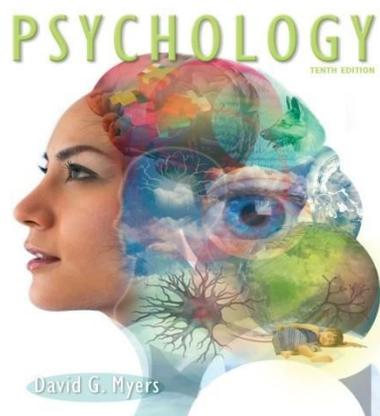
**Study 6: *I Can See It All Over Your Face!*** (pp.168-174)

**Study 7: *The One, The Many*** (pp. 217-226)

**Study 8: *Crowding into the Behavioral Sink*** (pp. 249-257)

**Study 9: *Relaxing Your Fears Away*** (pp. 264-271)

**Study 10: *To Help or Not To Help*** (pp. 300-307)



**Reflection Questions** (answers to be incorporated into your essay responses):

- (1) What, do you believe, is the purpose of this article/study? Do you believe that this study belongs in a text entitled *Forty Studies that Changed Psychology*? If so, why? If not, why not? Use robust examples.
- (2) Which psychological term(s) are most pertinent to this article? Define these terms in your own words (*hint: oftentimes, these words are italicized*).
- (3) Sampling is an important component of both qualitative and quantitative research. How did these researchers derive their sample from the population? How might this particular sample create biases or skewed results?
- (4) As consumers of research, we need to be able to digest psychological research as well as challenge its critics. Comment on the criticism of this study found in the Results/Discussion/Implications/or Application sections?
- (5) What fascinated you about this article? What made you ponder more about human/or animal behavior? Your own childhood, adolescence or adult years?
- (6) If you were asked to devise your own psychological experiment, how would you go about your research? (*Simply identifying the steps of experimental research—while necessary—is not enough to answer this question*).
- (7) Based on those whom you read, which psychologist most intrigues you? Which researcher would you like to learn more about? Why?

