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Dear AP Psychology Students,

In this packet you will find your summer homework assignments for this course. In order to access all the links, go to the Shorecrest website → Resources → Registrar → Documents and Summer Homework and AP Psychology to download this document.

AP Psychology is a yearlong course that follows the guidelines of the College Board. This is an engaging, advanced level course comparable to Psychology 101 at most colleges and universities. The materials used and coursework required in AP Psychology reflect that this is an upper level course. Each student will be encouraged to take the Advanced Placement exam administered by the College Board on May 12, 2020.

The textbook covers the major topics in contemporary psychology and human behavior. The concepts covered in the textbook will be supplemented with lectures, demonstrations, and additional in-depth analysis of selected topics. You will also be asked to examine your own thinking and behavior and participate responsibly in discussions and activities. Units typically last anywhere from one to three weeks and culminate with a unit test with questions similar to the AP Exam.

The summer assignment includes two separate components. You will have access to Unit 1 of the textbook in order to complete the first assignment. The second assignment requires that you read a book of your choice from the attached book list. You may purchase the book or check it out from the Shorecrest Library or a local library. I have limited copies of some books available. Make sure to consider some of the discount bookstores for availability. You may also choose a book of your own choice as long as you **obtain prior approval** from me. These assignments are due the first day of class. There will be a quiz covering the textbook reading the second day of class.

Since AP Psychology is now being taught within the CTE Department of Family and Consumer Science, this course now satisfies a 1.0 Occupational Credit rather than a Social Studies elective. If you have any questions about this, please contact your counselor or me.

I am excited to be teaching this course and look forward to meeting all of you in September. Psychology is a fabulous subject and we will have a great time exploring all things Psych! Have a fabulous summer, and happy reading!

Sincerely,

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AP Psychology Summer Homework 2019

There will be two summer assignments for AP Psychology. You will find additional information on the Shorecrest website or you may email me if you have any questions. You will need to log in to your K12 account to access the links.

Summer Assignment #1: Unit I READING, NOTES & STUDY GUIDE

Read and complete the study guide for Unit 1, modules 1-3, pages 1-20. You may also choose to take your own notes in addition to completing the study guide.

Access Unit 1 reading here: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XWooHji9pAMoJ-bnR7yC9loA3Emq3ZMz?usp=sharing>

Access the Study Guide here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/10Q1ZxMsKvwPk0RU2-BAYpYp_aNmAWZ5uOP0p5CxG_aw/edit?usp=sharing

The Unit I study guide is due on the 1st day of class. A quiz on this chapter will be given on the 2nd day of class.

Your notes can be taken in any style that works for you for this assignment however, Cornell style is recommended. (Notes should be neat, key points highlighted or underlined, questions in the margin, summary). Be prepared to take a short quiz on this section of reading. You will be able to use the study guide and/or your notes when you take the quiz.

Summer Assignment #2: Summer Reading: A book of your choice!

Please find an approved list of books related to a variety of psychological topics here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dAVBICUFbu1yso_CltVG_k_hWezuDHjl/view?usp=sharing

You may obtain books from local libraries or bookstores or check with me to see if I have a copy. There are many amazing books out there about Psychology, so if you would like to select another book, please do so, however, you must **first obtain approval** from me. Failure to do so may result in no grade for this assignment. Be prepared to share about your book and how it relates to Psychology the first week of school.

After reading your book, write an original paper of no more than four pages. The paper should be typed in double-spaced, 12-point Times New Roman font, and have 1" margins on all sides. Provide thorough, detailed answer to the following questions:

- What was the book about? Who wrote it?
- Why were you interested in reading this particular book?
- How does the book you read relate to psychology? Please explain giving supporting evidence.
- Identify the psychology **concepts/terminology** found in the book.
- What did you learn that you didn't previously know?
- After reading the book, is there anything you would like to learn more about?
- Cite all your sources using APA format:

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