

Course of Study:
AP Psychology
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Strand: Scientific Foundations of Psychology

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
1.1 Introducing Psychology	Direct instruction
1.2 Research Methods in Psychology	Small groups instruction
1.3 Defining Psychological Science: The Experimental Method	Project Based Learning
1.4 Selecting a Research Method	Textbook Reading
1.5 Statistical Analysis in Psychology	
1.6 Ethical Guidelines in Psychology	

Materials:	How Assessed?	How Re-Taught?
1) District/Taxpayer Resources	End of topic assessment	
- Myers' Psychology for the AP Course - Textbook	Vocabulary-based assessments	
- 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook	Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ	
2) Resources that are part of our system	Application projects	
- AP Classroom	AP Classroom "Progress Checks"	
- Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios	Diagnostic and practice tests	
- Crash Course Psychology 1		
- Crash Course Psychology 2		
- Stanley Milgram Video, Big History NL, Youtube		Teacher directed instruction
- 10 Psychological Experiments You Would Never Believe Happened, Youtube		
- Standard Deviation - Explained and Visualized, Youtube		

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Strand: Biological Bases of Behavior

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
2.1 Interaction of Heredity and Environment	
2.2 The Endocrine System	Direct instruction
2.3 Overview of the Nervous System and the Neuron	Small groups instruction
2.4 Neural Firing	Project Based Learning
2.5 Influence of Drugs on Neural Firing	Textbook Reading
2.6 The Brain	
2.7 Tools for Examining Brain Structure and Function	
2.8 The Adaptable Brain	
2.9 Sleep and Dreaming	

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Materials:

1) District/Taxpayer Resources

- Myers' Psychology for the AP Course -
Textbook
- 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook

2) Resources that are part of our system

- AP Classroom
- Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios
 - Crash Course Psychology 3
 - Crash Course Psychology 4
 - Crash Course Psychology 6
 - Crash Course Anatomy and Physiology 23
- Introduction to biopsychology, youtube
- 12 Shocking facts about the human brain, youtube
- 13 Creepy facts about your deep mind, youtube
- What really happened to Phineas Gage, youtube
- Brain Plasticity - the story of Jody, youtube
- Severed corpus callosum, youtube
- Perplexing neurons and the mysterious axon potential, youtube
- Electronic neural chain, youtube
- How do drugs affect the brain, ted talk, youtube
- Michio Kaku: Consciousness can be quantified, youtube
- Why do we dream? Amy Adkins, youtube
- Why do we have to sleep, youtube

How Assessed?

- End of topic assessment
- Vocabulary-based assessments
- Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ
- Application projects
- AP Classroom "Progress Checks"
- Diagnostic and practice tests

How Re-Taught?

- Teacher directed instruction

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Strand: Sensation and Perception

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
3.2 Principles of Sensation	Direct instruction
3.2 Principles of Perception	
3.3 Visual Anatomy	Small groups instruction
3.4 Visual Perception	Project Based Learning
3.5 Auditory Sensation and Perception	Textbook Reading
3.6 Chemical Senses	

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3.7 Body Senses

Materials:

- 1) District/Taxpayer Resources
 - Myers' Psychology for the AP Course - Textbook
 - 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook
- 2) Resources that are part of our system - AP Classroom
 - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios
 - Crash Course Psychology 5
 - Crash Course Psychology 7
 - Crash Course Anatomy and Physiology 17
 - Crash Course Anatomy and Physiology 16
 - Brain Games - Seeing is Believing, National Geographic
 - Brain Games - Illusion Confusion, National Geographic

Strand: Learning

How Assessed?

- End of topic assessment
- Vocabulary-based assessments
- Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ
- Application projects
- AP Classroom "Progress Checks"
- Diagnostic and practice tests

How Re-Taught?

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Learning Standard:	How Taught?
4.1 Introduction to Learning	Direct instruction
4.2 Classical Conditioning	Small groups instruction
4.3 Operant Conditioning	Project Based Learning
4.4 Social and Cognitive Factors in Learning	Textbook Reading

Materials:	How Assessed?
1) District/Taxpayer Resources	End of topic assessment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Myers' Psychology for the AP Course - Textbook 	Vocabulary-based assessments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook 	Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ
2) Resources that are part of our system	Application projects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AP Classroom - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios 	AP Classroom "Progress Checks"
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash Course Psychology 11 - Crash Course Psychology 12 	Diagnostic and practice tests
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Classical Conditioning - Ivan Pavlov, youtube 	How Re-Taught?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Little Albert experiment, Youtube - B.F. Skinner operant conditioning and free will, 	Teacher directed instruction
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Positive Reinforcement - The Big Bang Theory clip, youtube 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Operant conditioning Negative Reward vs. Positive Punishment - The Big Bang Theory clip, youtube 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bandura and social learning theory, youtube 	

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Strand: Cognitive Psychology

<p>Learning Standard:</p> <p>5.1 Introduction to Memory 5.2 Encoding 5.3 Storing 5.4 Retrieving 5.5 Forgetting and Memory Distortion 5.6 Biological Bases of Memory 5.7 Introduction to Thinking and Problem Solving 5.8 Biases and Errors in Thinking 5.9 Introduction to Intelligence 5.10 Psychometric Principles and Intelligence Testing 5.11 Components of Language and Language Acquisition</p>	<p>How Taught?</p> <p>Direct instruction; small groups; Direct instruction Small groups instruction Project Based Learning Textbook Reading</p>
<p>Materials:</p> <p>1) District/Taxpayer Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Myers' Psychology for the AP Course - Textbook - 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook <p>2) Resources that are part of our system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AP Classroom - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash Course Psychology 13 - Crash Course Psychology 14 - Crash Course Psychology 15 - The Town - Bank robbery scene, youtube - The psychology of problem solving, youtube - Deductive vs. inductive reasoning (Bacon vs. Aristotle), youtube - 12 Cognitive biases explained, youtube 	<p>How Assessed?</p> <p>End of topic assessment Vocabulary-based assessments Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ Application projects AP Classroom "Progress Checks" Diagnostic and practice tests</p> <p>How Re-Taught?</p> <p>Teacher directed instruction</p>

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Strand: Developmental Psychology

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
6.1 The Lifespan and Physical Development in Childhood	Direct instruction
6.2 Social Development in Childhood	Small groups instruction
6.3 Cognitive Development in Childhood	Project Based Learning
6.4 Adolescent Development	Textbook Reading
6.5 Adulthood and Aging	
6.6 Moral Development	
6.7 Gender and Sexual Orientation	
Materials:	How Assessed?
1) District/Taxpayer Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Myers' Psychology for the AP Course - Textbook 	End of topic assessment Vocabulary-based assessments
- 5 Steps to a 5 - Ap Psychology Workbook	Target and standard based MCQ and FRQ
2) Resources that are part of our system	Application projects
- AP Classroom - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios	AP Classroom "Progress Checks"
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash Course Psychology 18 - Crash Course Psychology 19 - Crash Course Psychology 20 	Diagnostic and practice tests
- Piaget's stages of development, youtube - The marshmallow test, youtube	How Re-Taught?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 8 stages of development by Erik Erikson, youtube - Lawrence Kohlberg - Kohlberg's Stages of Moral Development, youtube - CDE Baby human to feel 3 temperaments - The Breakfast Club, scenes from movie to show struggles of adolescence 	Teacher directed instruction

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Strand: Motivation, Emotion, and Personality

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
7.1 Theories of Motivation	
7.2 Specific Topics in Motivation	Direct instruction
7.3 Theories of Emotion	Small groups instruction
7.4 Stress and Coping	Project Based Learning
7.5 Introduction to Personality	Textbook Reading
7.6 Psychoanalytic Theories of Personality	
7.7 Behaviorism and Social Cognitive Theories of Personality	
7.8 Humanistic Theories of Personality	

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7.9 Trait Theories of Personality
7.10 Measuring Personality

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2) Resources that are part of our system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AP Classroom - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash Course Psychology 17 - Crash Course Psychology 25 - Crash Course Psychology 26 - Crash Course Psychology 21 - Crash Course Psychology 22 - Crash Course Anatomy and Physiology 36 - Gold medal moments -Kerri Strug, youtube - Why Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs matters, youtube - RSA Animate Drive: The surprising truth about what motivates us, youtube - Theories of Emotion: Processing the environment, Khan Academy, youtube - Emotions and the Brain, youtube - Inside out - Emotional theory comes alive, youtube - Psychotherapy Sigmund Freud, youtube 	AP Classroom "Progress Checks" Diagnostic and practice tests
	How Re-Taught?
	Teacher directed instruction

Strand: Clinical Psychology

Learning Standard:	How Taught?
8.1 Introduction to Psychological Disorders	Direct instruction
8.2 Psychological Perspectives and Etiology of Disorders	Small groups instruction

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8.3 Neurodevelopmental and Schizophrenic Spectrum Disorders	Project Based Learning
8.4 Bipolar, Depressive, Anxiety, and Obsessive-Compulsive and Related Disorders 8.5	Textbook Reading

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Trauma- and StressorRelated, Dissociative, and Somatic Symptom and Related Disorders
8.6 Feeding and Eating, Substance and Addictive, and Personality Disorders
8.7 Introduction to Treatment of Psychological Disorders
8.8 Psychological Perspectives and Treatment of Disorders
8.9 Treatment of Disorders from the Biological Perspective
8.10 Evaluating Strengths, Weaknesses, and Empirical Support for Treatments of Disorders

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2) Resources that are part of our system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AP Classroom - Crash Course, PBS Digital Studios <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crash Course Psychology 29 - Crash Course Psychology 30 - Crash Course Psychology 32 - Crash Course Psychology 34 - Early treatment of mental disorders, youtube - Panic attack live on television, ABC News, youtube - Meet the mother with 20 personalities, youtube - Anderson Cooper tries a schizophrenia simulator, youtube - 10 Disney characters with severe mental disorders, youtube - Ted Bundy rare interview footage, youtube (short clip - nothing graphic) - Executing the mentally ill, youtube 	AP Classroom "Progress Checks" Diagnostic and practice tests
	How Re-Taught?
	Teacher directed instruction

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Learning Standard:	How Taught?
9.1 Attribution Theory and Person Perception	Direct instruction
9.2 Attitude Formation and Attitude Change	Small groups instruction
9.3 Conformity, Compliance, and Obedience	Project Based Learning
9.4 Group Influences on Behavior and Mental	

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<p>Processes 9.5 Bias, Prejudice, and Discrimination 9.6 Altruism and Aggression</p>	<p>Textbook Reading</p>
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<p>9.7 Interpersonal Attraction</p>	
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