

## AP Psychology Summer Assignment

Students enrolled in AP Psychology are expected to complete the following assignment. It is recommended that students complete the work prior to the beginning of AP Psychology to attain the most benefit. This assignment is intended to provide students with some of the prerequisite knowledge on mental health issues and perspectives necessary for them to be successful in AP Psychology. The due date for this assignment will be announced once school begins, but the due date will be sometime in the middle of September.

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### Summer Reading:

Read one of the following books and write a brief critique about the material covered in your reading. The critique should be approximately two to three typed pages, double spaced. It may help to look at online book reviews and stores before selecting your book. Please be aware that these titles have serious and mature themes. The assignment is the equivalent of a test grade.

Your choices are as follows:

1. Man's Search for Meaning - Victor Frankl
2. The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat - Oliver Sachs
3. Phineas Gage - John Fleischman
4. Flowers for Algernon - Daniel Keyes
5. Darkness Visible: A Memoir of Madness - William Styron
6. An Anthropologist on Mars - Oliver Sachs
7. Frames of Mind: The Theory of Multiple Intelligences - Howard Gardner
8. Tuesdays with Morrie - Mitch Albom
9. Picking Cotton: Our Memoir of Injustice and Redemption - Jennifer Thompson-Cannino, Ronald Cotton, Erin Torneo
10. How to Win Friends and Influence People - Dale Carnegie
11. The Lucifer Effect - Phillip Zimbardo
12. What Makes a Hero? The Surprising Science of Selflessness - Elizabeth Svoboda
13. The Man Who Shocked the World: The Life and Legacy of Stanley Milgram - Thomas Blass
14. The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference - Malcolm Gladwell
15. Phantoms in the Brain: Probing the Mysteries of the Human Mind - V.S. Ramachandran