

**AP PSYCHOLOGY SUMMER ASSIGNMENT:  
Forty Studies that Changed Psychology, by Roger Hock**

Before we start our journey through AP Psychology, you will be reading corresponding chapters of the Forty Studies book. Below is an outline of the assignment to accompany each assigned chapter of the book. The assignment is the same for each chapter of the book. Please keep this handout as a reference.

You may purchase or review this book. There is a PDF available online. Google the title and you will see the link to the PDF.

Each reading in Forty Studies is organized the same way. Number each question and provide the answer of the following information in **numbered paragraph form**. **The work must be ORIGINAL and HANDWRITTEN.**

1. State a reference for where the original study can be found.
2. Provide a brief summary of background information in the field which led up to the study and reasons that the researcher carried out this particular project.
3. Explain the hypotheses on which the research rests.
4. Provide details of the experimental design and methods used, relevant information pertaining to the subjects and how they were recruited, any apparatus or materials used and the actual procedure in carrying out the research.
5. Provide a summary of the results of the study.
6. Discuss the author's interpretation of the results as noted in the original article. (In other words, what can we learn from the results? What are the researchers conclusions about his/her study?)
7. Explain the significance of the study to the field of psychology.
8. Briefly explain any follow-up research findings in this field and if provided, describe criticism from others in the field.
9. What did you learn? Anything surprise you?  
How did this study improve your understanding of psychology? Explain.
- 10. *How does the concept presented in the study connect to you? What real life situations have you experienced that can you relate to this experiment \*THIS IS NOT OPTIONAL!***

Assignment:

1. Read 10 articles from Roger Hock's Forty Studies That Changed Psychology
2. Complete a Summary/Analysis Page for each of the articles you read.

Assignment Due: The first day of class

Links to the articles online can be found below. If you have any questions or experience any issues, please let me know at [sierra.huff@knoxschools.org](mailto:sierra.huff@knoxschools.org).

The Readings:

1. Biology & Human Behavior: "More Experience = Bigger Brain"
2. Consciousness: "To Sleep, no doubt to dream."
3. Learning & Conditioning: "It's not just about salivating dogs" and "See aggression ... do aggression"
4. Intelligence, Cognition, & Memory : "What you expect is what you get"
5. Human Development: "Discovering Love"
6. Personality: "Are you the master of your fate?"
7. Psychopathology: "Learning to be Depressed"
8. Social Psychology: "A prison by any other name" and "To help or not to help"