

PSYC 101 – Introduction to General Psychology

Writing Assignment 1 – Summarizing a Journal Article

Draft due *in lab* on Friday, September 25, 2015 (counts towards Learning Lab Activity score)

Final assignment must be uploaded to designated Writing Assignment 1 Dropbox on Blackboard anytime before 11:59pm on Thursday, October 8, 2015

Worth 50 points, broken down as follows:

Criteria	Needs Improvement (0%)	Average (50%)	Excellent (100%)
Research Question	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Research question was completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Hypothesis	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Hypothesis was completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Independent and Dependent Variables	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Variables were completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Participants	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Participants were completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Procedure	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Procedure was completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Findings	Not completed or not accurately identified. (0 points)	Somewhat complete or somewhat accurately identified. (2.5 points)	Findings were completely and accurately identified. (5 points)
Grammar, Punctuation, Writing Style, and Spelling	Summary contains 5 or more errors in grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Writing style is not clear or precise. (0 points)	Summary contains 2-4 errors in grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Writing style is somewhat clear and precise. (2.5 points)	Summary contains 0-1 errors in grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Writing style is very clear and precise. (5 points)
Proper Paraphrasing	Summary consists of 3 or more instances of plagiarism (where text does not appear in the student's own words). (0 points)	Summary consists of 1-2 instances of plagiarism (where text does not appear in the student's own words). (5 points)	Summary was written completely in the student's own words. (10 points)
Following Directions	Student did not follow more than one of the assignment instructions. (0 points)	Student did not follow at least one of the assignment instructions. (2.5 points)	Student followed all of the assignment instructions. (5 points)
Late Penalty	Student uploaded assignment within 24 hours <u>after</u> the deadline (-15 points)		

Please Note: You are being graded more strictly on grammar, punctuation, writing style, and spelling, as well as avoiding plagiarism, on this assignment more so than on lab assignments.