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**AP Psychology
Summer 2021 Assignment**

**Opening Skinner's Box: Great Psychological Experiments of the 20th Century Writing Assignment
(150 points)**

Over the summer, you will read “**Opening Skinner's Box: Great Psychological Experiments of the 20th Century**”. The book is a description and reflection on some of the greatest experiments in the history of psychology. After reading each of the 10 experiments, you will be required to know and write a one page summary for each experiment answering the following:

- **Name of the scientist(s)** who did the study and where it was done? What is the purpose of the experiment(s)? What were the researchers trying to prove or disprove? Give an overview of why they did what they did (historical context is always important).
- The **experimental design** of the study. What methods did they use? How did they put this experiment(s) together?
- The **outcome** of the study. What results did they get?
- Was the experiment(s) **ethical**? Why or why not? (This is where you need to have reviewed pages 39-41 in the textbook).
- Why is the experiment significant? How does it affect our knowledge and practice of psychology? What did we learn from it?
- Personal reaction to the study and how it relates to ourselves or our society today (think about Slater's analysis here).

By the end of the assignment, you will have at least **10 pages** to submit (not including your title and reference page). Your paper must be in APA format with 1” margins on all sides, Times New Roman font using 12 pt. Your paper does not need to include an abstract page. The following is required with your paper:

- Title Page
 - Running head (running head is a short title of your paper)
 - Page Numbers on top right corner of page
 - Title of Paper
 - Your Name
 - Class
 - Date
- Main Body
 - Title of each experiment
 - Subheadings
- Reference Page
 - Your citations must be in APA format
 - Must include hanging indent. To format this, please review the following youtube video:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=72&v=5aUdJ5svVqE

To review APA format and citation, please see the following website:

https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/general_format.html.