

IDENTIFYING PSYCHOLOGICAL DISORDERS

Creating an Informational Presentation

Introduction:

Psychological disorders are prevalent in our society. You will be researching a psychological disorder so you can better understand its impact on people's lives.

Directions:

1. You may work in small groups (3/4), pairs, or individually.
2. Select **one** of the following disorders to research:

Anxiety Disorders

Panic Disorder
Specific Phobia
Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
Posttraumatic Stress Disorder

Dissociative Disorders

Dissociative Amnesia
Repressed Memory
Dissociative Identity Disorder (Multiple Personality Disorder)

Somatoform Disorders and Factitious Disorders

Hypochondriasis
Body Dysmorphic Disorder
Factitious Disorder

Mood Disorders

Depression
Bipolar Disorder

Suicide

Psychological Factors and Medical Conditions

Heart Attack, Stress, Type A Behavior
Migraine Headaches
AIDS, Coping, Social Support
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Stress, Coping

Schizophrenia

Schizophrenia
Schizophrenia and the Family

Personality Disorders and Impulse Control Disorders

**Antisocial Personality Disorder
Borderline Personality Disorder
Compulsive Gambling**

Substance-Related Disorders

**Alcohol Dependence
Steroid Abuse
Cocaine Dependence**

Sexual Dysfunctions and Disorders

**Pedophilia
Sexual Assault**

Cognitive Disorders

**Dementia
Alzheimer's Disease
Epilepsy, Grand Mal Seizure
Parkinson's Disease**

Disorders of Childhood and Adolescence, Mental Retardation, and Eating Disorders

**Down Syndrome, Mental Retardation
Autism
Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
Anorexia Nervosa**

Please do the following for your topic:

- a. *Research the disorder.*
 - b. *Research the symptoms associated with the disorder.*
 - c. *Research the causes.*
 - d. *Research the incidence of occurrence (How often does the disorder occur in people? Does it occur so much, that it controls their life?)*
 - e. *Research the number of people who have it.*
 - f. *Research the help available for the disorder.*
3. Develop a list of warning signs that indicates how the disorder develops.
 4. Use your research to create a **visual project** that encourages someone who is struggling with the disorder to seek appropriate help.
 5. The project is due **Thursday, January 13, 2005** and is worth **90 points**.

EVALUATION

<u>Category</u>	<u>Points Possible</u>	<u>Your Score</u>
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Project Includes:

An Oral Presentation of...

Definition of the Disorder	10	_____
Symptoms associated with the Disorder	10	
Causes	10	_____
Incidence of Occurrence	10	_____
Number of People Who Have It	10	_____
Warning Signs	10	_____
Help Available	10	_____

Vivid Illustration of the Topic

Displays the Issue By Using...

*Magazine/Newspaper Format	20	
PowerPoint	20	
Overhead Transparencies	20	
*Research Paper Format (include Title Page & Reference Page)	20	

* Please provide enough copies for every student

Please choose only **one** type of illustration. Whatever you decide upon, it will be worth 20 points.

ASSESSMENT – for the **10-point** categories

<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good Job</u>	<u>Proficient</u>	<u>Needs Improvement</u>
10	9	7	5

ASSESSMENT – for the **20-point** visual project

<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good Job</u>	<u>Proficient</u>	<u>Needs Improvement</u>
20	18	15	11