

Favorite TV Show Perspectives of Psychology Application Assignment

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One of the goals of this course is for you to be able to APPLY the information you are learning to real life—this is the goal of education, after all! Therefore, this assignment will allow you the opportunity to demonstrate your learning. As you watch an episode of your favorite TV Show, you need to describe how certain characters, actions, and events would be analyzed by each of the eight perspectives of psychology.

<p>Biological How the body and brain enable emotions and sensory experiences. (How are messages transmitted within the body? How is blood chemistry linked with moods and motives?)</p>	<p>Evolutionary How the natural selection of traits promotes the perpetuation of one’s genes. (How does evolution influence behavior tendencies?)</p>	<p>Behavior Genetics How much our genes and environment influence our individual differences. (Does nature [genetics] or nurture [environment] play a more prominent role in our development?)</p>	<p>Psychodynamic/Psychoanalytic How behavior springs from unconscious drives and childhood conflicts. (How can someone’s behavior be explained in terms of sexual or aggressive drives or unfulfilled wishes and childhood trauma?)</p>
<p>Behavioral How we learn observable responses. (How do we learn to do things or not to do things through rewards and punishment?)</p>	<p>Humanistic How each individual has great freedom of choice and a large capacity for personal growth. (How does a human being reach their full potential as a person?)</p>	<p>Cognitive How our thought process works and how we store and remember information. (How do we use information in remembering? Problem solving? Reasoning?)</p>	<p>Social-Cultural How thinking and behavior vary across situations and cultures. (How is our society different from other societies in the world?)</p>