

**EXAM 3 – STUDY GUIDE**  
**Abnormal Psychology (PSY 210)**  
**Professor Jennings**

The exam will be 75 multiple-choice questions. Most of the questions will be based on material covered in lecture. It is also important that you read the chapters in the textbook – there will be question that will come directly from the textbook (material not covered in lecture). If you can answer the questions on this study guide... you should have no problem with the exam. I am going to focus on the big concepts. If want you to be able to understand and apply the material ... not just spit back the facts.

**Ch.II-Personality Disorders**

1. What are Personality Disorders
  - a. On which axis are personality disorders listed?
2. Identify and understand the difference between clusters A, B and C.
  - a. Identify characteristics of Paranoid Personality Disorder.
  - b. Identify characteristics Schizoid Personality Disorder.
  - c. Discuss the differences between Schizoid Personality Disorder and Schizotypal Personality Disorder. Justify.
3. Identify characteristics of Cluster B Personality Disorders.
4. What is Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD)?
  - a. What are characteristics of BPD? Explain.
  - b. Who is most affected by BPD? Why? Explain.
  - c. What causes this disorder?
  - d. How is BPD treated?
5. What is Histrionic Personality Disorder?
  - a. What are the characteristics of Histrionic Personality Disorder.
  - b. Compare and contrast features of Histrionic Personality Disorder and Borderline Personality Disorder.
6. What is Anti-Social Personality Disorder?
  - a. What are the characteristics of this disorder?
  - b. What is the prevalence?
  - c. What causes this disorder?
  - d. How is it treated?
7. Identify characteristics of Cluster C Personality Disorders
  - a. Identify and discuss the personality disorders listed in Cluster C

**Ch.10-Sexual Disorders**

1. What is “normal” sexuality?
2. How are sexual disorders different than sexual preferences involving unusual activities or objects?
3. What is Gender Identity Disorder?
  - a. What are characteristics of this disorder? Explain
  - b. Is this disorder related to sexual attraction? Justify
  - c. What causes this disorder? Explain
  - d. How can this disorder be treated? Explain.
4. What are Paraphilias?
  - a. How are Paraphilias defined?

- b. What are some common Paraphilias discussed in class? Identify and discuss features for each.
- c. Discuss features and characteristics of Pedophilia?
  - i. What causes this disorder?
  - ii. How can this disorder be treated? Explain.
  - iii. Can this disorder be “cured?” Why or why not?

### Ch.12-Psychotic Disorders

- 1. What are psychotic disorders?
- 2. What is Schizophrenia?
  - a. What are symptoms of schizophrenia?
  - b. Describe and discuss positive features of Schizophrenia.
    - i. Describe and discuss the negative features of Schizophrenia.
  - c. What are hallucinations? Provide example
  - d. What are delusions? Provide example.
    - i. Discuss the different types of delusions
  - e. How does Schizophrenia involve disorganized thought? Explain.
  - f. What are some examples of physical symptoms of schizophrenia? Provide examples.
  - g. How are people with Schizophrenia affected by stigma?
    - i. What are some misconceptions?
  - h. What are the different types of Schizophrenia?
    - i. What are the differences between each disorder?
  - i. What are delusional disorders? Provide examples and discuss.
  - j. What causes Schizophrenia? Explain.
    - i. Discuss genetic link to schizophrenia
    - ii. Discuss environmental theories
    - iii. Does culture influence the diagnosis?
  - k. How can Schizophrenia be treated?
    - i. Can Schizophrenia be “cured?”

This is your LAST exam of the semester! I hope you  
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