

Summer 2024 Assignment

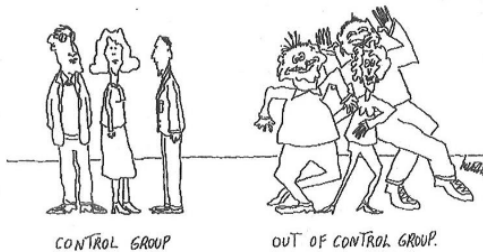
Please read carefully and submit by the **1st day of school (September 9th)**

Psychology Internal Assessment

Reminder: The internal assessment (IA) in IB psychology is a replication of a simple experiment. The experiment must be carried out in a group, with no more than four students. The IB requirement for the internal assessment is to carry out an experiment, in which there is one independent variable (IV) and one dependent variable (DV).

Below please find detailed instructions on your **IA Summer Assignment**. Please note that **only Task A** is group work – everything else is **individual** work!

Also note that ALL TASKS will be marked on Skyward upon completion, coming **September 9!**



TASK A. Wrap up your Group Work (if still pending)

*Note! Most groups have **already** completed Task A; if this is the case for you go straight to Task B.*

Please consult the IA samples on our [Moodle shell](#) - Also review the respective textbook chapter [HERE](#).

Then go ahead and create **in collaboration with your group members** the required, for the IA replication, MATERIALS:

- IA proposal - see sample [HERE](#)
- Informed consent letter - see sample [HERE](#)
- Standardized Instructions - see sample [HERE](#)
- Debriefing Notes - see sample [HERE](#)
- A blank table to insert your Raw Data - see sample [HERE](#)
- ALL** other material(s) needed for your manipulation of the IV and the measurement of the DV (these may include a video, a slides presentation, a questionnaire etc) as per the original study but customized to any modifications you have implemented

You should be working on the **shared** (with all group members and myself) **G-folder**.

***Important note 1!** the more involved you are in the creation of each and every material the better you will be able to later on explain, describe and/or justify the choice of materials in your individual report

***Important note 2!** You should be working on a **shared** (with all group members and myself) **G-folder**. **Note!** This is the **only** folder you will share with each other regarding the IA; **NO other work will be shared!**

***Important note 3!** **Recency** effect - final impressions count! Materials -in the form of Appendices- are presented at the **very end** of the report; make sure all of your materials are well organized, visually appealing and easily reviewed (adequate spacing and clarity of presentation...); **each** material should **not be longer than a page** unless absolutely necessary.

TASK B. Create your INDIVIDUAL Psych IA G-Folder



- All Psych IA-relevant work from now on, will be placed in your own/personal folder
 - Folder Name: First Name - Psych IA - M25
 - Share this folder ONLY with me!
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TASK C. Mark an IA sample – INDIVIDUAL work!

On our [Moodle shell \(HERE\)](#), find the IA Sample to grade, the IA rubric, as well as a detailed **check-list** with the requirements for each section; the check-list is **very helpful** when it comes to marking with precision!!

1. **Read** the sample carefully
 2. Go over the **rubric** carefully
 3. **Re-read** each section, **annotate** (based on the check-list) and **award** a mark per each criterion (based on the rubric)
 4. **Fill-out** the marking form (also found on Moodle) with your final markings/comments and place it in your **INDIVIDUAL Psych IA G-Folder** (shared with me only).
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TASK D. Write your IA INTRODUCTION – INDIVIDUAL work!

Create a new **document** within your **individual** IA G-folder (this is the same folder you created for **TASK B**). Name your document **Lastname.Firstname.Psych.IA.M25**

Proceed to [review the relevant resources on Moodle-HERE](#).

Start writing your own introduction by **following the [Introduction Template -HERE](#)** and taking into account that it should not exceed 700 words.

***Note!** Present all relevant definitions/information by providing appropriate **in-text citations** (APA or MLA) and references (at the end).

Introduction Checklist!

Background & Context (first 2 paragraphs) – You should have...

- The theory or model upon which the study is based is summarized **in detail** (~20 lines)
- The original study being replicated is summarized (aim, procedure, results, conclusion/implications ~7 lines)

Your own Investigation (the study you are carrying out) – make sure you explicitly mention the following:

- An explanation of how your study is linked to the theory/model (~5 lines)
- The aim of your study - clearly stated (~2-3 lines)
- The relevance of your study => clearly explained (why is this investigation of significance? ~3-5 lines)
- The IV - clearly stated and operationalized (~1 line)
- The DV – clearly stated and operationalized (~1 line)
- The research hypothesis and null hypothesis are clearly stated (The IV and DV are operationalized within the research and null hypotheses) (~1-2 lines each)

Note! You should not describe the procedure of your study here! This will happen in the Exploration section.

TASK E. Write your **IA EXPLORATION** – INDIVIDUAL work!

In the same document you created previously, proceed to write your Exploration. Start by reviewing the [Moodle relevant resources](#) carefully:

Start drafting your own exploration by following the [Exploration Template -HERE](#) and taking into consideration that you are expected to:

- Explain the experimental **design** of your investigation
- Explain the **sampling** technique used as well as **characteristics** of the participants.
- Explain how you **controlled** variables in your experiment.
- Explain the choice of **materials**, i.e. how they were designed and why they were selected.
- Outline the **procedure** that was followed (in bullet form)

Note! At this point you can write this part of your report using FUTURE tense but later on (after the experiment has been conducted) you will be asked to go back and use PAST tense.

Exploration Checklist!

I. Exploration

The research design is:

- Stated and described – what design did you use and how did you use it?
- Explained – WHY did you use this design?

The sampling method is:

- Stated and described - what sampling method did you use and how did you get your sample using this method?

- Explained – **WHY** did you use this method?

The participants are:

- Described – **what** are the characteristics of your participants:
 - o Age, gender, ethnicity, language, occupation, other(s)?
- Explained - **WHY** did you choose these participants? (at least one characteristic)

Controlled variables are:

- Explained – **how** and **why** did you control for one or more extraneous variables?

Choice of materials

- Stated – **what** were the important materials you used in your study¹
- Explained – **how** you created these² and **WHY**?
 - o Focus on materials used to manipulate the IV and/or measure the DV.

At this point send me an email notification that you have completed your summer assignment and attach your INDIVIDUAL Psych IA G-Folder (the one you created for Task B).

All INTRODUCTIONS and EXPLORATIONS will be processed through TURNITIN!

*Have a happy and safe summer
everyone!*



¹ Don't explain generic materials like pens, desks, and projectors. Explain the materials directly relevant to the manipulation of your IV (e.g. things like choice of videos, images, questionnaires, tests, word lists, etc.)

² Explanation of creating materials might also show controlling of variables.