

## IA Task 3

### Writing the Introduction

The internal assessment (IA) in IB psychology is a replication of an 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 and one dependent variable.

Below please find detailed instructions on your **IA Summer Assignment**. Please note that **all** that is described below is individual work!

#### Online Textbook:

Please read the following chapter carefully:

#### - Internal Assessment - A. Getting started

- 1.** Make sure that you have access to the original study that your group will be replicating (if uncertain email me). **Re-read the original study carefully** so that you remind yourself of the theory proposed, the procedure/ methodology followed, and the findings reported. Consult your IA Task 1 and Task 2 Assignments!
- 2.** Make your own (individual) **proposal** on how this study can be replicated. Follow the example of your course book as a sample proposal. Use the template below:

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT PROPOSAL	
STUDY TO BE REPLICATED (APA)	
PHENOMENON (THEORY) UNDER INVESTIGATION	
MATERIALS REQUIRED	
PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED	
ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS	
FEEDBACK ON THE PROPOSAL (to be suggested by the teacher/peers)	

**3.** Proceed to read the following chapter carefully:

**- Internal Assessment - B. Writing the introduction**

3a. Take note of the sample introduction presented in this unit as well as the rubric used for assessing IA introductions.

3b. Start drafting your own introduction taking into consideration that it should not exceed 700 words.

3c. Take special care in clearly outlining the relevant **theory** and describing the original **study** in detail.

3d. Present all relevant definitions/information by providing appropriate in-text citation (APA) and references at the end.

3e. **Make sure you include ALL required sections as seen in the IA Introduction Checklist below!**

**I. Introduction Checklist!**

**Background & Context - Do you have...?**

- The theory or model upon which the study is based is summarized in detail (~10-15 lines) ☐
- A reference of one additional (to the original that you are replicating) study supporting the same theory/ same explanation of the phenomenon under investigation. This reference should be focused on how the findings of this additional study also support the same phenomenon/theory (~5 lines) ☐
- The original study being replicated is summarized (aim, procedure, results, conclusion/implications ~15 lines) ☐

**Present Investigation (the study you are carrying out) - Have you mentioned...?**

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

**TASK 3 should be shared with me in the designated IA Google folder by September 2nd 2019!**

**All Introductions will be processed and graded through TURNITIN!**