

# 4. Variation in Individual and Group Behavior

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## Unit Overview

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This unit of Psychology introduces students to the variation of individual and group behavior. Students will explore personality, psychological disorders, and social psychology.

*\*This curriculum is divided into 4 units, allowing the teachers to design their course in an effort to highlight each of the 4 core domains. Teacher must select at least one learning goal from each unit in order to allow students to be exposed to a diverse selection of psychological concepts without sacrificing any key components of psychology.*

## Transfer

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Students will be able to independently use their learning to...

### Personality

Explore the personality by examining what shapes the personality, the patterns of personality, and the theories that psychologists use to analyze the personality.

### Psychological Disorders

Investigate abnormal behavior and how disorders are classified and treated.

### Social Psychology

Examine the impact social situations on individual and group behavior.

## **Meaning**

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## **Understandings**

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Students will understand....

### **Personality**

1. The different personality approaches and theories

### **Psychological Disorders**

2. The major characteristics and categories of abnormal behavior
3. The impact of mental illness and the different treatment approaches

### **Social Psychology:**

6. The impact that social situations have on behavior.

## **Essential Questions**

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Students will keep considering...

### **Personality:**

1. What forces shape our personality and what theories do people use to understand each other?

### **Psychological Disorders:**

2. What are psychological disorders and how are they classified and treated?

### **Social Psychology:**

3. How do social thinking, social influence, and social relations impact and shape group and individual behavior?

## **Application of Knowledge and Skill**

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### **Students will know...**

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### **Personality:**

1. The definition of personality.
2. The different approaches and characteristics of the personality

**Psychological Disorders:**

1. The characteristics of abnormal behavior
2. The major categories of abnormal behavior
3. The mental process defined as thinking and how information is classified
4. The definition and theories of language and how it is acquired.
5. The theories of intelligence

**Social Psychology:**

1. The social influences that explain why the same person will act differently in different situations

**Students will be skilled at...**

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**Personality:**

1. Analyzing the different types of personality assessments that psychologists use.

**Psychological Disorders:**

1. Analyzing the different treatment options for psychological disorders

## **Social Psychology:**

1. Providing examples of social norms, conformity, obedience, bystander effects, and prejudice

## **Academic Vocabulary**

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Recommended vocabulary. May vary depending on student ability.

### **Personality:**

Personality

ID

Ego

Superego

Traits

### **Psychological Disorders:**

DSM-V

Mood Disorders

Anxiety Disorders

Dissociative Disorders

Schizophrenia

therapy

## **Social Psychology:**

Social psychology

Social norms

Conformity

Obedience

Bystander Effect

Prejudice

Discrimination

## **Learning Goal 1**

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## Target 1

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Explain the characteristics of the psychodynamic, cognitive, behavior, humanistic, and trait approaches to personality and distinguish the different types of assessments used.

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## Learning Goal 2

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## Target 2

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## Learning Goal 3

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## **Target 1**

### Define social psychology

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## **Target 2**

### Describe major experiments/examples of real life applications of social psychology

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## **Summative Assessment**

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All assessments are differentiated and aligned to the social studies standards and curriculum. Alternate assessments may include, but not be limited to problem based learning, projects, common assessments, and other activities. Common summative assessments will be devised by core content teachers and must include benchmark assessments.

## **Formative Assessment and Performance Opportunities**

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### **Differentiation: 504 accommodations and IEP modifications are met as required**

All assessments are differentiated and aligned to the Social Studies standards and curriculum. Differentiation can include, but is not limited to:

- Graphic Organizers
- Chunked Readings
- RAFT Activities (Role, Audience, Format, Topic)
- Layered Curriculum/Tiered Assignments
- Academic Games to practice skills and deepen understanding of topics
- Think-Pair-Share Activities
- Stations and Learning Centers
- Utilizing Pre-tests to reteach complex content before summative assessment
- Providing additional resources for independent study (videos, study guides, teacher notes, web-based resources)

Alternate assessments may include, but are not limited to Project Based Learning, projects or presentations, or a common paper/pencil assessment or combination of any of these. Some example alternative assessment can include:

- Compare and Contrast Foldable
- Online Practice Game
- Graphic Organizer
- Perspectives Journal Writing

- Timelines
- Debate
- Play Re-Enactment and Song Analysis
- Research Activity <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/lessons/tinker/procedure.html>

Online Resources:

Text to Speech: Natural Readers - <https://www.naturalreaders.com/>

Content Vocabulary: Academic Word Finder - <http://achievethecore.org/academic-word-finder/>

Ref's	Description
0x	• student choice research projects
0x	• guided notes
0x	• leveled readings
0x	• modified assessments
0x	• modified assignments
0x	• task-based assessments
0x	• test corrections

## **Accommodations/Modifications**

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Differentiation:

IEP modifications and 504 accommodations

Enrichment:

Analyze psychological peer reviewed research

## **Unit Resources**

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May include, but not be limited to:

Psychology Textbook

Online websites and resources

DVD's

Social Studies Databases

Student Response Systems

Projector/Speaker Systems

Primary Source Documents

Document Cameras

Online Portfolios

Teacher Resource Kit

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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