

STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS: RESEARCH ARTICLE READING IN LIEU OF MANDATORY RESEARCH PARTICIPATION

Please read the following carefully.

To earn one research credit, choose any **ONE** of the research articles listed at https://dan.uwo.ca/resources/resources_for_students/participant_pool_for_students/journal_articles.pdf

For whichever ONE article you select, you are asked to give a brief report (i.e., maximum of 600 words) on the background of the research problem under investigation, summarize what the author(s) found, and finally, indicate what someone might do in future studies.

In your research article report, be sure to answer the following questions:

- 1) What were the hypotheses of the research, or the purposes for which the research was carried out? Identify the independent and dependent variables.
- 2) What were the methods used for testing the hypotheses?
- 3) What safeguards of research participants' (sometimes referred to as 'subjects') rights and well-being were included in this research? Are there any safeguards that should have been included?
- 4) What were the main results of the study, and how do they relate to the hypotheses?
- 5) If you had the opportunity, what further experiments would you carry out to shed some more light on this area of research?

NOTE: If the article you are reading contains more than one research study, pick just ONE of the studies when answering questions 1, 2, and 4.

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