

Term Paper Grading

Here's what I will look for in grading **Step 1**:

Sources

Locate 3-4 good quality sources (*not including our own required readings*) that provide information about the particular area of psychopathology you have chosen

Not done	Needs Improvement	Meets Expectations	Exceeds Expectations	Exceptional
2	2.5	3	3.5	4

Citing References

Cite your sources as you present any of the information you draw from them, in proper APA style.

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Describing the Area of Psychopathology

Using those sources and our required readings, provide an overview of what this particular area of psychopathology “looks like”: describe typical characteristics and diagnostic criteria. Use your own words, and do not simply copy DSM. Include what a “typical” case might look like. Also include discussion of any important specifiers or sub-types that have been identified.

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Statistics/Results of Studies

Provide some statistics and results of studies: how common is this form of psychopathology, whom is it most likely to affect (gender, race, age, etc.), at what age is it most likely to first appear, how long does it tend to last and/or how often does it tend to recur, how severe is it and what impact does it have on a person’s daily living, and does it tend to be co-morbid with other forms of psychopathology?

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Possible Causes

Provide a brief summary of current thinking in psychology and related fields about possible causes and risk factors that have been examined and thought to be important.

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Possible Treatments

Provide a brief summary of current thinking in psychology and related fields about possible treatments that have been investigated and found to be potentially effective.

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Different Perspectives

Be sure that in these summaries you include thinking that reflects at least two of the three major perspectives and that you clearly identify the perspectives.

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References

Include a References list at the end, with full information, in correct APA style, for each of the sources that you used and cited in the Introduction.

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Quality of Writing

Have you demonstrated good mastery of the mechanics of good writing (spelling, grammar, proofreading, avoiding Common Writing Errors, etc.)?

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TOTAL SCORE =

PERCENTAGE (out of 36) =

LETTER GRADE EQUIVALENT =