

PSY 101 PAPER TOPIC IDEAS/ SUGGESTIONS

You may choose any topic that is SUPPORTED by a SCHOLARLY JOURNAL and other credible sources for your paper that falls under the topic of Psychology. The following are only some suggestions. You can look through your book or run your topic by me if you are unsure if it fits (but FIRST, see if you can find research in a scholarly journal on Ebsco Host!).

Since the research paper requirement is approximately 5 pages, you can do an overview of these or just a part (i.e. treatment only; biology of the issue; one angle that you choose rather than trying to cover the entire topic because some of these would require a lot of pages to cover every aspect).

Most importantly, HAVE FUN with this - choose a topic that interests you! Is there something about people you are curious about, or a certain area in Psychology that intrigues you? Just make sure the paper is NOT about you and is instead based on scholarly research you find via Ebsco Host!

SAMPLE TOPICS (non-exhaustive):

Depression

Anxiety

Bipolar Disorder

Dysthymia

Psychological Fugue

Childhood Disorders (choose any under this)

Sexual Disorders (choose one)

Relationships (love, jealousy, marriage, divorce)

The effects of child abuse

Forensic Psychology (sociopaths, antisocial personality disorder, narcissistic personality disorder, etc)

Low self-esteem

Positive psychology topics

Sports psychology topics

Addiction (causes, personality characteristics, treatments)