

## **Why is learning about Sensation and Perception important?**

- (1) **Describe an example of how learning about the Sensation and Perception help you understand others or yourself.** Why is it important to understand that there are multiple processes that lead to perception (eg. color perception, or sound perception)? Why does orange juice taste bitter after brushing your teeth?
- (2) **Describe an example of how learning about Sensation and Perception helps you understand events in the world.** Why is understanding sensory adaptation important? Why is learning that perception is an active construction important? Why do sailors and astronomers who want to view a particular object in dim light, they look slightly above, below, or to the side of it—not directly at it.
- (3) **Describe an example of how you can use Sensation and Perception in your personal life or potential career.** How can you use your understanding of perceptual processes to effectively organize information, tools, etc.?
- (4) **Describe an example of misunderstandings or questionable beliefs that can arise if you didn't learn about Sensation and Perception.** For example, how context affects perception.
- (5) **Describe a social issues or public policy that can be addressed with the knowledge from Sensation and Perception.**
- (6) **Describe an example of one of the concepts in the chapter on Sensation and Perception.**
- (7) **Describe how a concept in this chapter relates to another concept in a different chapter. Explain each concept and the link between them. (How is sensation related to the biological foundation of biology?)**

In a group of two or three, answer any of these questions (you can answer one more than once) for up to two points. Be as specific as possible to be applied to a specific situation. Write as if you were explaining it to a person who is in psychology 201. You cannot use examples from the textbook or those I presented. **Make sure you clearly identify the concept, what that concept is, and how it relates to the example.** Six points maximum. We will try to share these answer later today.

Another way of thinking about these questions is to imagine that you had a “twin” who didn’t read this chapter. Will the two of you think differently about the world?

When I read through your answers, I am trying to answer the following questions:

What is the psychological concept?

Does your answer illustrate that you know the psychological concept?

How does knowing psychology change how you think?