

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

(Abnormal Psychology, Chs 1-2)

1. Identify and discuss six criteria that are used to define abnormal behavior.
2. Describe the major contributions to the study and treatment of abnormal behavior of three important figures who lived before 1950.
3. Describe three contemporary perspectives in abnormal behavior.
4. Describe Freud's views on the structure of personality and the functions of each of the structures he proposed.
5. Describe behaviorism and the principles of classical conditioning.
6. Critically evaluate humanistic theory.
7. Discuss the information-processing approach and the theoretical contributions of Ellis and Beck.
8. Summarize the sociocultural and biopsychosocial perspectives.