

PsychInquiry CD

Activity name:	Studying Antisocial Personality Disorder
Student's name:	

Instructions: Complete this worksheet and hand it in to your instructor.

Questions

1. What are the characteristic symptoms of antisocial personality disorder?

2. Where would we be most likely to find individuals with antisocial personality disorder?

3. Given the social and personal costs of their behavior, why do sociopaths (those with antisocial personality disorder) act the way that they do?

4. If the brains of psychopaths (yet another term for those with antisocial personality disorder) are structurally similar to the brains of normal individuals, does this mean there are no brain differences between psychopaths and normals?

5. Indicate whether each of the following statements best applies to normal individuals or individuals with antisocial personality disorder, or whether it applies to both.

When reading words, shows high level of activity in rear portion of brain, but very little activity in frontal lobes.	
Shows substantial differences in brain activity when reading emotional words compared to neutral words.	
When reading words, shows high level of activity in frontal areas of the brain, but very little activity in rear portion of the brain.	
Shows very little difference in brain activity when reading emotional words compared to neutral words.	

6. What were the main differences between the brain function of normal individuals and that of individuals with antisocial personality disorder?
