



**Task Title: Analyzing Research in Psychology**

OALCF Cover Sheet – Learner Copy

**Learner Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Started:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Successful Completion:** Yes  No

**Goal Path:** Employment  Apprenticeship   
Secondary School  Post Secondary  Independence

**Task Description:**

Learner will read and critically analyze a research paper (journal article).

**Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:**

- Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.3
- Communicate Ideas and Information/Write continuous text/B2.3
- Use Digital Technology/D.1

**Materials Required:**

- Computer with internet access and web browser
- Pen and Paper

## Learner Information

Many first-year college or university students take an introductory psychology course as an elective. One of the main assignments in these courses is to critically analyse a research paper (journal article).

**Step one:** Visit the **Public Library of Science (PLOS One) website** :

<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/browse/psychology>

**Step two:** Find the following article: *Experiencing more meaningful coincidences is associated with more real-life creativity? Insights from three empirical studies*

## Work Sheet

**Task 1: What is the hyperlink for the study?**

Answer:

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**Task 2: Who conducted the research for the study?**

Answer:

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**Task 3: Identify and describe either the basic assumption of the researchers, or if it was an experiment, identify the hypothesis.**

Answer:

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**Task 4: What were the 3 main conclusions of the study?**

Answer:

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**Task 5: If you were to conduct another study based on this study, what questions would you ask and what would you still want to find out? (Questions should contain information from the study.)**

Answer: