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**Lab 1: Perceptions of Psychology**

**Introduction/Purpose**: In this lab, we will investigate public perceptions of psychology as a discipline.

* *Formulate a hypothesis: How well do you think the average person would be able to answer the survey questions? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Method**:

* Select five individuals not enrolled in psychology, and ask them the following survey questions:

1. What is psychology?
2. What do psychologists do?
3. What jobs are available in the field of psychology?
4. How long has psychology existed as a field of study?
5. Can you name a famous psychologist? Can you name more than one?
6. Where did you learn what you know about psychology?

* Record the name, age, and responses for each participant on the chart below. Be sure to record all responses. You may attach additional sheets if you need more space for some responses, but responses do not need to be exceptionally long.
* See pages 28-29 in your textbook for guidelines on conducting surveys

**Results:**

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| **Name** | **Age** | **Question 1** | **Question 2** | **Question 3** | **Question 4** | **Question 5** | **Question 6** |
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**Discussion: Once you have discussed your results with others in your group, type a one paragraph (1/2 page) reflection on this activity. What surprised you? What did you learn about how others view psychology? Why do you think people have these perceptions?**