



Psychology

Identifying Operant Conditioning
Leveled Assessment ____/4

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Directions: For each of the following operant conditioning situations, identify whether this is an example of positive reinforcement, negative reinforcement, positive punishment, or negative punishment.

1. Jamie spans his child for playing in the street.
2. An "A" on exam that you studied real hard for.
3. Getting a pay check.
4. Taking an aspirin to relieve a headache
5. Receiving a hug from your parents after throwing a temper tantrum.
6. Getting fired from your job because you show up late to work.
7. Lindsay wasn't doing well in her 6th grade math class. Her teacher told her parents that Lindsay handed in less than 50% of her assignments. Her parents told Lindsay that any day on which she did not hand in her homework she would be sent to bed right after dinner. As a result of this threat, Lindsay has handed in her assignment 97% of the time.
8. Greg does not go to the dentist every 6 months for a check-up. Instead, he waited until a tooth really hurts, then goes to the dentist. After 2 emergency trips to the dentist, Greg now goes to the dentist every 6 months like he should.
9. The annoying student jumps up and down, hand raised, yelling "me, me, me!" until the teacher calls on her. The child jumps and yells even more in the future.
10. Police randomly stop drivers and give tickets to those who are not wearing their seat belts; as a result of this program seat belt use increases in town.

