Unit VI Extra Credit

Your Unit VI extra credit opportunity will be based upon the film “A Clockwork Orange” (or the novel, of the same name, upon which it was based).

-You will be required to get parental/guardian consent **PRIOR** to beginning the extra credit.

-You will be required to obtain a copy of the film or the novel (the film used to be available on Netflix; if it’s not still available, it can be purchased for a relatively low cost on YouTube, ITunes, Amazon video, Google Play, etc; the novel can likely be found in a public library, and it can also be purchased as an e-book through various sites)

-You will be required to view the film (or read the novel) and submit a typed essay, of at least 4 pages that meets the criteria below.

*The movie “A Clockwork Orange” offers an excellent opportunity to study a number of psychological concepts. In the context of AP Psychology Unit VI (Learning), this extra credit opportunity will focus on the behavior modification/classical & operant conditioning that is demonstrated in the film. Your essay MUST:*

*>Identify which of Alex’s behaviors were modified and why those behaviors were modified? What were the results—both immediate and delayed?*

*>Describe, specifically, the operant AND classical conditioning that is used to modify Alex’s behavior. Be sure to specify the stimuli and responses involved in each situation. Terms you will want to use are operant, positive reinforcement, negative reinforcement, unconditional stimulus, conditional stimulus, unconditional response, conditioned/conditional response.*

*>Identify examples in the movie of the following psychological terms/concepts:*

*-positive reinforcement*

*-extinction*

*-punishment*

*-negative reinforcement (escape)*

*>Discuss the ethics of the use of behavior modification in this situation. Do you believe this behavior modification would be ethical (according to what we know about ethics in Psychology-refer to the APA code of ethics, if necessary)? Try to discuss both the pros and cons of the use of this technique.*

You will be able to earn up to ~~50~~ **75** extra credit points for this essay.

It is due by the assigned date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (I will not accept late submissions, except in the most unusual of emergencies).

It MUST be typed, 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced, with 1” margins.

You MUST submit a digital copy (email or flash drive), in addition to the printed copy, by the due date. The purpose of the digital copy is to run it through a program that will compare it to other works. The study of “A Clockwork Orange” is common in Psychology courses, and there will likely be a number of sources on line. You can use these as a guide, reference, or comparison, but you MUST cite any sources that you use, and you CAN NOT plagiarize other sources. Your work must be your own.