

### **Extra Credit Opportunity**

To obtain a maximum of 10 extra credit points, you may write a short (2-3 pages in length—DOUBLE SPACED) paper relating something you learned in this class (either in the book or during lecture) to a real-life issue or situation. In this paper, you may come up with your own argument for *how* a specific cognitive phenomenon might relate to a situation that occurs in real-life, or you may discuss and cite a reference (or references) that explicitly demonstrate(s) the real-life applicability of a phenomenon demonstrated in a laboratory setting. The real-life issue should be more than “examples of it happen to you in real life.” You should try to think of a way in which research in cognitive psychology is somehow useful. For example, is there are practical application to be gotten from a particular research area? Perhaps some areas of attention research are relevant for the design of airplane cockpits or for the work situations of air traffic controllers. Perhaps research on human memory has applications for law. Again, this extra-credit assignment will be worth a maximum of 10 points; however, the specific number of points given will depend on the quality of the paper (note that you are not guaranteed extra credit just for turning something in—quality matters). Therefore, to obtain the maximum amount of points possible, you will want to make sure that the paper is both well written and well thought out. To obtain *any* extra credit, you must turn this paper in to me by 5:00pm on the Friday BEFORE final exam week (Turning it in AFTER this date of April 28 will result in NO extra credit). (You can bring it to my office). Again, April 28 by 5:00pm.