

CJN 400: MEDIA EFFECTS

Due: June 18

Assignment: Mini Media Effects Experiment

Instructions:

Conduct a mini media effects experiment. For this essay observe the behavior of a family member, friend or roommate before they watch a violent film or play a violent video game. **Do not** tell them what you are doing for it may affect their behavior. Note as much about their behavior as you can, including mood, energy level, attitude towards others in conversation, etc. Then observe this person while and after they engage with violent media content. Again, note as much about their behavior as possible. Given your observations and using material from the class (lecture notes and/or the book), explain what effects, if any, you witnessed. How (if at all) does the literature and studies we covered in class support what you observed?

Remember:

- Write a 500 word response and support your observations with course readings and class discussion.
- Use a 12-point font, black ink, type-written or computer printed on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper, with 1-inch margins on all sides, and double-spaced.
- Spelling and grammar ALWAYS count, and will affect your grade. Please proof-read your journal entry carefully.