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Short Answers Unit 1

- 10: Forensic psychology deals with psychology pertaining to the judiciary system and legal issues. Forensic psychologists can be called upon to determine a person's mental state and competency to stand trial. They may also be asked to evaluate the mental state of inmates in correctional facilities as well as in the jury selection process.
- 1: Behaviorists commonly use animals in their experiments for a few reasons. It's easy to control and manipulate rats or pigeons in a lab and monitor their changes in behavior in response to stimuli. Also, animals generally behave in straightforward behaviors so it's easier for behaviorists to study and record their findings. The biggest reason why animals are used in behaviorist studies is for ethical concerns for humans. There is a lot of controversy surrounding studies that focus on human behavior, especially those that deal with control and manipulation.
- 16: A major criticism of evolutionary psychology is that it oversimplifies human behavior and emotions by saying that their evolved adaptations without taking into account cultural and social factors. Evolutionary psychologists also don't take into account the influence of culture, upbringing, and individual experiences on behavior.
- 3: Noam Chomsky is best known for his concept of universal grammar. He argued that language is innate instead of learned. He believed that the environment is what triggers a child's brain into beginning to learn.

- 6: Sigmund Freud and Behaviorists have two different views on how we develop our behavior. Freud believed that human behavior is shaped by unconscious forces such as childhood experiences and repressed desires. These unconscious childhood experiences have a significant impact on human thoughts, feelings, and behaviors. On the other hand, Behaviorists argue that human behavior is shaped by our environment and stimuli.