Learning Objectives - Ch 2/4a

Ch 2 -Biology and Behavior - pp 41 to 48

- 1. Define biological psychology.
- 2. Name the two principle cells in the nervous system. Describe the features of neurons and what allows them to communicate with one another.
- 3. Define and describe action potentials. Define myelin and discuss its contribution to neural impulses.
- 4. Define neurotransmitter and synapse and describe their roles in the transmission of information from one neuron to another.
- 5. Name six neurotransmitters and associate those transmitters with a mental process or behavior.
- 6. Describe how the nervous system can tell the difference between a strong stimulus and a weak stimulus.

Ch 4 - States of Consciousness - pp 147 - 159

- 7. Define substance abuse, drug dependence, and drug tolerance.
- 8. Explain the physiological (neural) and psychological effects of caffeine, nicotine, crack, alcohol, heroin, MDMA (Ecstacy), and marijuana.