As an example, look at the behavior of former NBA star Dennis Rodman.

Dennis Rodman is well known for his outrageous behavior, questionable style of attire, and rapidly changing hair color. THIS EXAMPLE IS A <u>BASIC</u> EXPLANATION—YOURS SHOULD BE MORE DETAILED.

| Biological (neuroscience) Perspective | ??????????? |
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| Evolutionary | Dennis Rodman's tall height and athleticism are traits that are naturally selects for; however, his cross-dressing tendencies are counterintuitive to him passing on his own genes. His ancestors were most likely tall and athletic as well. |
| Psychodynamic | Dennis was traumatized as a child when he was not permitted to have a Halloween costume. He has repressed the memory, but, as a result, dresses in outrageous clothing to try and overcompensate for his loss as a child. |
| Behavioral | Dennis Rodman's father and grandfather both wore women's clothes and dyed their hair. Dennis observed this throughout his life and is now imitating the same behavior. |
| Cognitive | Dennis Rodman interprets his role in the NBA as needing to create attention for his team. As a result, he thinks that by wearing a wedding dress, dying his hair, and tattooing his body, |

| | his team will get the positive attention it requires |
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| Socio-cultural | Perhaps in the NBA culture, these behaviors occur often and are widely accepted; thus, Dennis Rodman believes his behavior to be typical and not out of the ordinary. |
| Humanistic | ???????? |



The purpose of this activity is not to poke fun at the misfortune of others, or to laugh at psychological disorders, but to rather, identify the fundamental explanations of human behavior. Be sure that your examples are in good taste (even though the example that the celebrity may not be in good taste!!!)

You will create a large poster. You should have:

- A section that introduces us to the outrageous celebrity and their behavior
- A section that explains their behavior from each of the SEVEN PERSPECTIVES

POSSIBLE CELEBRITIES

Miley Cyrus
Ray Rice
Brittany Spears
Lady Gaga
Justin Beiber
Charlie Sheen
Brittany Spears
Amanda Bynes
Lindsay Lohan
Mel Gibson
David Hasslehoff
Alec Baldwin
Chris Brown
OTHERS???

OR—you can choose a fictional celebrity

Jay Gatsby
Homer Simpson
Bart Simpson
Romeo
Juliet
Shrek
OTHERS???