

Operational Definitions Practice

Name: _____

For the examples below, create an operational definition for the underlined terms.

Heavy backpacks lead to injuries for students.

Frustration causes aggression (use definitions different than we used in class.)

Loving parents produce children who grow up to be honest adults.

Tall people are likely to be extroverts.

For the examples below, YOU determine which terms have the greatest need to be operationally defined to conduct a valid experiment. Each example has two terms that should be operationally defined.

A conflict mediator wants to know if warmer temperatures make people angrier

A health teacher thinks that eating fast food causes poor performance in school.

A student predicts that a ball will bounce better on cement than on plastic.