

## ***Philip Zimbardo, PhD***

### **Your Biography**

You were born in 1933 and grew up in the South Bronx of New York City in a poor, uneducated Sicilian immigrant family. From your experience you learned that people, not material possessions, are our most valuable resource, that diversity should be embraced because it enriches us, and that education is the key to escaping poverty. Your education began in New York Public School 52 and later included Monroe High School (with classmate Stanley Milgram), Brooklyn College (published your first research article on race relations), and Yale University for your PhD (in 1959).

You started your teaching and research career at NYU, but moved to Stanford in 1968, and have remained there ever since.

### **Game Objectives**

Propose a study to the research committee based on your infamous 1971 Prison experiment. Do *not* base your proposal on *any* of the stuff you find in popular culture, including that promoted and sold by Zimbardo himself. Go back to the original paper (Haney, Banks & Zimbardo 1973) and write the proposal based on that.

You are neutral on **the issue of the definition of mental illness**.

### **Specific Assignments**

Write a paper, to be presented at the 1975 conference, on the ethical problems of the 1973 study – you may wish to watch the movie 'Quiet Rage' in preparation. The Research committee will likely be tasked with revising the 1968 guidelines for ethical research in wake of your 1973 report. You should have concrete suggestions for those revisions.

### **Must Read**

Haney, C. Banks, C. & Zimbardo, P. (1973). "Interpersonal Dynamics in a Simulated Prison" *International Journal of Criminology and Penology* 1, p. 69-97

Zimbardo, P. G. (1972). *The Stanford Prison Experiment a Simulation Study of the Psychology of Imprisonment*. Philip G. Zimbardo, Inc.

### **Secondary Sources**

<http://www.zimbardo.com/>

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<http://zimbardo.socialpsychology.org/>

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