Assignment 3

The Experiment: By choosing from a random selection, I will ask subjects to help me conduct a study that tests the basic moral principles of society. I will tell test subjects that I will ask them a series of questions. If the subjects answer these questions wrong them I will tell them that there is a person of the other side of the wall that will be shocked and then ask them to manually press the button to shock the subject behind the wall. The voltage will steadily increase as the questions become more difficult. If the subjects answer the question correct then the subject being shocked will be rewarded with a piece of candy.

The Twist: What the subjects who are chosen at random don’t know is that the subject behind the wall will be rewarded with a piece of candy regardless to whether the question is answered correctly or not.

The Plot: The subjects selected at random are being tested on how long they will continue to press the button knowing that by doing so, harm is being inflicted on another human who is screaming to stop and let him free because the pain is unbearable.