Methods in Forensic Science – Reading Check 6

Due: Friday, December 23rd

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**Assigned Reading…**

**If you have the “Red Book”**

**- Chapter 21, Questioned Documents**

Read pages 423-438

**If you have the “Yellow Book”**

**- Chapter 22, Questioned Documents**

Read pages 439-455

**Answer the following Reading Check Questions:** *(You may answer below or attach either a written or a typed response. Written responses must be legible.)*

1. Is it possible for a document examiner to tell the personality of an individual from his or her handwriting?

2. Can you determine the gender and age of the writer from his or her handwriting?

3. What is the difference between requested writing samples and non-requested samples?

4. Explain the meaning of the term “class characteristics” in relation to handwriting.

4a. What are some of the factors that can affect handwriting?

8. What is a photocopy trash mark, and how does it appear?