Questions pertaining to Coyne’s (1976) theory

Come to class with your own questions concerning Coyne’s theory. Also keep the following questions in mind as you read through Coyne (1976).

1. If you were to take a "boxology" approach to depicting Coyne’s theory, what would the theory look like? Similar to what we did with Beck’s (1967) theory, how might Coyne’s theory be laid out in a causal sequence of distal and proximal causes?

2. Does Coyne’s interpersonal theory better describe a cause of depression or a symptom of depression? How would you test this empirically?

3. Does Coyne’s theory apply to any particular subtype of depression that we have covered in class (e.g., hopelessness depression)?

4. How would you go about testing Coyne’s theory? (To answer this question, you first have to answer Question 1.)