Offsetting Behavior: Worksheet

1. What fields of study does offsetting behavior directly affect? Name at least three.

2. Why is it important to know about offsetting behavior, even if you don't work or plan to work in the above fields?

3. Give an example of offsetting behavior occurring in response to a particular policy/procedure change.

4. How can you minimize the effects of offsetting behavior in your own life?

5. Explain why the FDA's new public policy to test a fifth of every orchard's apples for bacteria might not greatly reduce the number of people who get sick. Use what you've learned about offsetting behavior in your answer.