

Exam Requirements: Your A-level in Psychology is structured, and examined, in the following way:

Component One: Past to Present	Component Two: Investigating Behaviour	Component Three: Implications in the Real World
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There will be compulsory questions relating to five psychological approaches, five pieces of classic research and the opportunity to explore a contemporary debate.	The focus of this paper is on how psychology collects its data, and you need to demonstrate their ability to apply generic principles to both your own personal investigations as well as to novel scenarios. Extended writing questions	This paper assesses three behaviours in detail: schizophrenia, criminal behaviour and addiction. Questions will require you to respond to essay titles highlighting depth and/or range of knowledge, understanding and analytical
This paper assesses both the basic understanding of psychological assumptions, as well as ensuring the ability to apply these to explain behaviours.	will be included here to allow a demonstration of a deeper understanding. Mathematical skills will be tested in this paper only and calculators will be allowed.	skills. The final topic on this paper is Controversies. There will be a choice from two questions on the paper and, as the very
Each approach will be included at least once and each assessment paper will cover assumptions, therapies, and classic evidence at least once. Each assessment paper will contain a question on one of the contemporary debates.	Section A: Principles of Research Your knowledge of the principles of research will be assessed. The research studies (Milgram and Kohlberg) will be assessed in this section, with at least one on each assessment.	last question set, is considered to be the most demanding in terms of the skills required.
	Section B: Personal Investigations Both investigations will be assessed (not necessarily with equal weighting). In this section there will also be questions about a novel scenario. You may be asked to undertake calculations. Calculators will be allowed within the examination.	

Overview of the Year:

Week Beginning	The focus of your learning or revision this week: 3 Hours HS	The focus of your learning or revision this week: 2 Hours BG	Key assessment pieces or specific homework tasks
05/09/22	Personal investigation 2	Personal investigation 2	
12/09/22	Personal investigation 2	Personal investigation 2	
19/09/22	Personal investigation 1	Personal investigation 1	
26/09/22	Personal investigation 1	Personal investigation 1	
03/10/22	Personal investigation 1	Personal investigation 1	
10/10/22	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - characteristics	
17/10/22	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - Dopamine	
		Half Term	
31/10/22	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - Addiction genes	
07/11/22	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	Component 1 mock in lesson	Component 1 mock
14/11/22	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: Addiction -Eysenck & Cog biases	
21/11/22	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: Addiction - Learning theory	Scientific status controversies essay
28/11/22	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: Addiction - Co-morbidity	
05/12/22	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: Addiction - substitution	Individual differences explanations of addiction essay
12/12/22	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Addiction - aversion therapy	
19/12/22	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Addiction - review / EoU test	Methods of modifying addictive behaviour essay // End of unit test
		Christmas Break	
09/01/23	C3: Schizophrenia (SZ) - characteristics & Dopamine hypothesis	C3: Criminal behaviours - characteristics	Characteristics of criminal behaviour essay
16/01/23	C3: SZ - genetic explanations	C3: Crim - inherited criminality	
23/01/23	C3: SZ - psychodynamic	C3: Crim - role of the amygdala	
30/01/23	Revision		Component 2 mock
06/02/23	Assessment Week One		
		Half Term	
20/02/23	C3: SZ - cognitive explanation	C3: Crim - Eysenck	
27/02/23	C3: SZ - dysfunctional families	C3: Crim - Bowlby mat. Dep.	
06/03/23	C3: SZ - socio-cultural	C3: Crim - differential association	
13/03/23	C3: SZ - CBT	C3: Crim - gender socialisation	Criminals are born not made essay
20/03/23	C3: SZ - Anti-psychotics	C3: Crim - anger management	
27/03/23	C3: SZ - review / EoU test	C3: Crim - restorative justice	Methods of modifying SZ essay // End of unit test (SZ)
03/04/23	C1: Apply assumptions of approaches to behaviour	C3: Crim - exam practice / EoU test	End of unit test (Criminal behaviour)
		Easter Break	
24/04/23	Assessment Week Two		Component 3 mock

01/05/23			
08/05/23			
15/05/23			
22/05/23	Provisional start to the A-level Exams		

Exam Practice:	Revision Materials:
You can find past papers to help support your revision and develop your exam technique here:	We advise that you use the following revision materials:
	Classic research AO3 mind maps:
Eduqas question bank:	Scroll down to 'resources for teachers'
https://questionbank.wjec.co.uk/question-bank/question-search.html	https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/psychology-as-a-level/#tab_keydocuments
Past exam papers:	Knowledge organisers:
https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/psychology-as-a-level/#tab_pastpapers	https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rlid=1594
Online examiner reports:	Revision notes:
Download and open with adobe reader. Click through examples of marked answers to	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n5epUlwCKkxp1_PEZ5He5U3DxKap_nGpq8cnetZf_2Q
see examiners comments.	<u>/edit</u>
https://oer.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ProjectByArgs.aspx?subId=56&lvIId=0	
	YouTube videos:
Exam walk throughs:	Click on the relevant content and select a topic.
https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rlid=1474	https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/psychology-revision/a-level-wjec/
Online activities:	Lesson resources:
Variety of topics / exam skills	Resources used in lessons can be found in G drive in the Psychology folder.
https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceByArgs.aspx?subId=25&IvIId=1	

Resources available to purchase:

Eduqas psychology skills builder



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