Y13 Learning Journey. Subject: Psychology A Level – Group 13E



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
This paper is worth 100 marks . You have 2 hours 15 minutes to complete this paper.	This paper is worth 100 marks . You have 2 hours 15 minutes to complete this paper.	This paper is worth 100 marks . You have 2 hours 15 minutes to complete this paper.
There will be compulsory questions relating to five psychological approaches, five pieces of classic research and the opportunity to explore a contemporary debate. This paper assesses both the basic understanding of psychological assumptions, as well as ensuring the ability to apply these to explain behaviours. 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.	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 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. 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. 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.	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 skills. The final topic on this paper is Controversies. There will be a choice from two questions on the paper and, as the very last question set, is considered to be the most demanding in terms of the skills required.

Overview of the Year:

Week Beginning	The focus of your learning or revision this week: 1 Hour HS	The focus of your learning or revision this week: 4 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 & dopamine hypothesis	
17/10/22	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - Addiction genes	
		Half Term	
31/10/22		C3: Addiction - Eysenck	
	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - Cog biases	
07/11/22	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	Component 1 mock in lesson	Component 1 mock
14/11/22		C3: Addiction - Learning theory	
	C3: Controversies - cultural bias	C3: Addiction - Co-morbidity	
21/11/22		C3: Addiction - substitution	Individual differences explanations of
	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: Addiction - aversion therapy	addiction essay // Addiction end of unit test
28/11/22	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: Schizophrenia (SZ) - characteristics	
05/12/22			Methods of modifying addictive behaviour
	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: SZ - dopamine	essay
12/12/22	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: SZ - genetic explanations	
19/12/22		C3: SZ - psychodynamic	Scientific status controversies essay
	C3 - Controversies - scientific status	C3: SZ - cognitive explanation	
		Christmas Break	
09/01/23		C3: SZ - dysfunctional families	
	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: SZ - socio-cultural	
16/01/23		C3: SZ - CBT	Methods of modifying SZ essay
	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: SZ - Anti-psychotics	
23/01/23	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: SZ - review / EoU test	SZ end of unit test
30/01/23	Revision		Component 2 mock
06/02/23	Assessment Week One Half Term		
20/02/23		C3: Crim - characteristics	Characteristics of criminal behaviour essay
	C3 - Controversies - ethical costs	C3: Crim - inherited criminality	
27/02/23	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Crim - role of the amygdala / Review	
06/03/23		C3: Crim - Eysenck	
	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Crim - Bowlby maternal deprivation	
13/03/23	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Crim - differential association	

20/03/23	C3 - Controversies - non-human animals	C3: Crim - gender socialisation	Criminals are born not made essay		
27/03/23	C1: Apply assumptions of approaches to behaviour	C3: Crim - anger management			
03/04/23	C1: Apply assumptions of approaches to behaviour	C3: Crim - restorative justice	Criminal behaviour end of unit test		
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:

You can find past papers to help support your revision and develop your exam technique here:

Eduqas question bank:

https://questionbank.wjec.co.uk/question-bank/question-search.html

Past exam papers:

https://www.edugas.co.uk/qualifications/psychology-as-a-level/#tab pastpapers

Online examiner reports:

Download and open with adobe reader. Click through examples of marked answers to see examiners comments.

https://oer.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ProjectByArgs.aspx?subId=56&IvIId=0

Exam walk throughs:

https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rlid=1474

Online activities:

Variety of topics / exam skills

https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceByArgs.aspx?subId=25&lvlId=1

Revision Materials:

We advise that you use the following revision materials:

Classic research AO3 mind maps:

Scroll down to 'resources for teachers'

https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/psychology-as-a-level/#tab keydocuments

Knowledge organisers:

https://resources.edugas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rlid=1594

Revision notes:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1n5epUlwCKkxp1 PEZ5He5U3DxKap nGpq8cnetZf 2Q /edit

YouTube videos:

Click on the relevant content and select a topic.

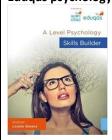
https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/psychology-revision/a-level-wjec/

Lesson resources:

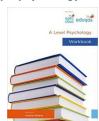
Resources used in lessons can be found in G drive in the Psychology folder.

Resources available to purchase:

Eduqas psychology skills builder



Eduqas psychology workbook



Eduqas psychology textbooks

