

SUBJECT: Psychology	EXAM BOARD AND CODE: Edexcel 1PS0
NUMBER OF PAPERS: 2	<p>Paper 1: 1 hour 45 minutes. 98 marks. 55% of qualification.</p> <p>Paper 2: 1 hour 20 minutes. 79 marks. 45% of qualification</p>
EQUIPMENT REQUIRED 2 x black pens, Calculator, Ruler, Pencil, Rubber Highlighters	WEBSITE LINK: https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/psychology-2017.html

<p>Topics to be revised Paper 1: All questions must be answered The paper consists of 6 sections. The first five sections cover the topics of;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development • Memory • The Brain and Neuropsychology • Social Influence • Psychological Problems: Addiction and Depression <p>The sixth section consists of two essay style questions covering issues and debates within psychology</p>	<p>Topics to be revised Paper 2: Students must answer all questions in Section A Students must then answer all questions from 2 topics in section B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section A: Research Methods • Section B: Sleep and Dreaming and Criminal Psychology • The questions will be a combination of multiple choice, short answer and essay style questions.
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Paper 1 in detail:

DEVELOPMENT

- Development of the brain
- Piaget's theory and its role in education and in the development of intelligence
- Dweck's mindset theory
- Willingham's theory of learning and development
- Key Studies: Piaget and Inhelder (1956) and Gunderson et al. (2013)
- Understanding Morality

MEMORY

- Structure of memory processes
- Short term and long term memory
- Amnesia
- Reconstructive memory and Schemas
- The Multistore Model of Memory
- Key Studies: Bartlett (1932) and Peterson and Peterson (1959)
- Reductionism and Holism

THE BRAIN AND NEUROPSYCHOLOGY

- The structure and function of the brain
- Brain lateralisation
- Neurons and Synapses
- Neurological damage
- Key Studies: Damasio et al. (1994) and Sperry (1968)
- How has psychology changed over time

SOCIAL INFLUENCE

- Obedience
- Conformity
- Deindividuation
- Bystander effect

- Majority influence
- Authority
- Behaviour of crowds
- Blind obedience
- Key Studies: Piliavin et al. (1969) and Haney, Banks and Zimbardo (1973)
- Social and Cultural issues in psychology

PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

- Symptoms and Features of addiction and depression
- How mental illness has changed over time
- The influence of genes
- The cognitive theory of depression
- The learning theory of addiction
- The use of CBT
- The use of drug treatment
- Key Studies: Caspi et al. (2003) and Young (2007)
- The Nature Nurture debate

Paper 2 in detail:

RESEARCH METHODS

- Variables (independent, dependent and extraneous)
- Controlling extraneous variables
- Hypotheses (Experimental, alternative and null)
- Methods of sampling
- Experimental designs (independent measures, repeated measures and matched pairs)
- Qualitative and Quantitative data
- Ethics in psychological research
- Research methods (lab experiments, field experiments, natural experiments, interview, questionnaire, observation, case study and correlation)
- Decimal and standard form
- Measures of central tendency (mean, median, mode)
- Calculations (ratio, fractions, percentages, range, normal distribution)
- Represent data (graphs)
- Interpret data
- Primary and secondary data

SLEEP AND DREAMING

- Functions, features and benefits of sleep
- Internal and external influences on sleep
- Symptoms and explanations of sleep disorders: insomnia and narcolepsy
- Freudian theory of dreaming
- Hobson and McCarley 1977 – Activation Synthesis
- Key Studies: Freud (1909) and Siffre (1975)

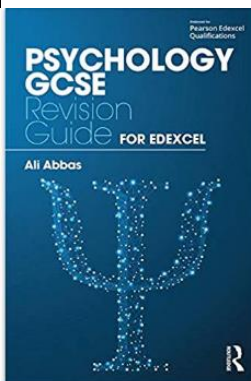
CRIMINAL PSYCHOLOGY

- Learning theories as an explanation of criminality
- Biological explanations as a theory of criminality
- Effects of punishment on recidivism
- Treatments to rehabilitate and reduce offending
- Key Studies: Bandura, Ross and Ross (1961) and Charlton et al (2000)

Revision Tips:

- Use mind maps and flash cards
- Try making a glossary of key words to help increase confidence with the scientific terminology
- Make a mind map for each study – don't forget to include evaluation

- <http://www.gojimo.com/gcse-psychology-revision/>
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- <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/levels/z98jimp3>

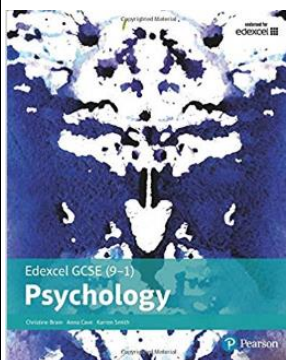


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