BRIDGING WORK

AQA A Level Psychology



Research

Research the six key approaches in Psychology. Each approach will consider human behaviour from a different perspective. Ensure you include the key areas indicated below for each approach.

Behaviourist Approach

Classical Conditioning, Pavlov's research, Operant conditioning, Types of reinforcement, Skinner's research

Social Learning Theory

Imitation, identification, modelling, vicarious reinforcement, mediational processes, Bandura's research

Cognitive Approach

Internal mental processes, schema, theoretical & computational models, inference, cognitive neuroscience

> Psychodynamic Approach

Unconscious, structure of personality (ID, ego, superego), defence mechanisms, psychosexual stages

Biological Approach

Genes, biological structures, neurochemistry, genotype, phenotype, evolution

Humanistic Approach

Free will, self-actualisation, Maslow's hierarchy of needs, congruence, conditions of worth, Roger's, counselling

Task

You will need to create written evidence of your knowledge of each approach. This needs to clearly include information on each of the 6 approaches focusing on key terms for each approach.

You can hand in your information for each approach in the form of:

- > A4 summary sheets
- PowerPoint summary slides
- Posters
- Mindmaps
- Flashcards



OVERVIEW

You will sit three papers at the end of the 2 years; each paper will contain 96 marks and will be 2 hours long.

<u>Paper 1</u>- Introductory Topics in Psychology (Social Influence, Memory, Psychopathology, Attachment)

<u>Paper 2</u>- Psychology in Context (Approaches, Psychopathology, Research Methods)

<u>Paper 3</u>- Issues and Options in Psychology (Issues and Debates, Forensic Psychology, Schizophrenia, Cognition and Development)

When you join us in September, please ensure you have three ringbinders ready for your first Psychology lesson.

You will need to have a separate folder for each of the 3 papers.

You will also need folder dividers for each folder to separate each topic.

Useful Websites & Further Reading:

- https://www.simplypsychology.org/
- http://www.tutor2u.net/blog/index.php/psyc
 hology/
- https://www.s-cool.co.uk/a-level/psychology
- https://www.psychologytoday.com/gb
- https://www.bps.org.uk/
- https://www.ted.com/talks/elizabeth_loftus
 how reliable is your memory
- https://www.ted.com/talks/steven pinker h uman nature and the blank slate
- https://www.ted.com/talks/philip_zimbardo the_psychology_of_evil

DUE: First lesson in September