

Psychology AS Level – AQA 7181

Entry requirements B in English Language and Maths, C in Science.

Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology

- Social Influence
 - Memory
 - Attachment

Exam 90 minutes

Multiple choice, Short Answer and Extended writing

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- Approaches
- Psychopathology
- Research Methods

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EXAM 2hrs

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- Biopsychology
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Paper 3: Issues and options in psychology

- Issues and Debates
- Gender
- Stress
- Aggression

Topic Details

Memory

- The structure of memory
- Types of memory
- Explanations of forgetting
- Factors affecting the accuracy of eyewitness testimony

Attachment

- Explanations of attachments
- Stages of development
- Influence of early attachment on childhood and adult relationships

Psychopathology

- Definitions of abnormality
- Explanations and treatments
- OCD, Phobias, Depression

Approaches

- Learning, Cognitive, Biological, Psychodynamic and Humanistic approaches.

Biopsychology

- Nervous system
- The endocrine system
- Brain function
- Ways of studying the brain
- Biological rhythms

Research Methods

- Experiments, observation, self-report techniques, correlation, content analysis, case studies.
- Scientific processes
- Data Handling
- Inferential testing

Issues and Debates

- Gender and cultural bias
- Free will and determinism
- Nature/Nurture
- Holism and reductionism