

AQA A level Psychology Transition Tasks

Useful Websites:

<https://www.simplypsychology.org/>

<https://www.tutor2u.net/>

Task 1

Research one of the following key studies in Psychology and write a summary of 1) What they did (procedure of the study), 2) What they found (results of the study) and 3) What we learn about human behaviour from this study.

Asch: Conformity

Milgram: Obedience to Authority

Zimbardo: Stanford Prison Experiment

Rosenhan: On Being Sane in Insane Places

Loftus and Palmer: Misleading Information in Eye Witness Testimony (EWT)

Bandura: Bobo doll

Maguire: Navigation-related structural change in the hippocampi of taxi drivers

Task 2

Explain the process of classical conditioning, as identified by Pavlov, and use this to explain:

- 1) How phobias are caused
- 2) How phobias are treated

Task 3

Watch the Derren Brown episode linked below:

[Derren Brown: Remote Control | Derren Brown's The Experiment FULL EPISODE - YouTube](#)

Answer the questions below:

1. Why did the audience keep voting for the negative option?
2. What was being tested in this experiment?
3. How could this link to real life events, e.g. protests, trick or treating at Halloween, invading the pitch.

Optional watching:

- Shutter Island
- One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest
- Black Swan
- Girl, Interrupted
- Conversation with a killer: Ted Bundy (Netflix)
- The Social Dilemma (Netflix)
- American Murder: The Family Next Door (Netflix)
- 12 Angry Men – minority influence
- Memento – forgetting

Optional reading:

- The Man Who Mistook his Wife for a Hat by Oliver Sacks – neurological conditions
- To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee – social change
- A Clockwork Orange by Stanley Kubrick – behavioural approach
- The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath – depression
- The Quiet Room by Lori Schiller - schizophrenia