

PSYCHOLOGY SUMMER TASK



Psychology

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From GCSE to A-level, AQA Psychology introduces students to concepts of psychology by covering a broad range of topics. See what we offer teachers and students.

TASK: On 2 sides of A4 write in detailed sentences about the following.

1. Find and write down a short definition of 'psychology'.
2. Visit AQA website for more information on the Psychology A level (not AS):
 - a. What are the 4 topics on Paper 1?
 - b. What are the six 'approaches' to psychology which you'll learn? (Paper 2)
 - c. Psychology is taught as a science; this means that there is a big emphasis on research methods. **Write a paragraph which includes a selection of the topics and skills you'll be tested on in this topic.**
 - d. *Download a copy of two psychology exam papers, make sure that one is a 'Paper 2' (7182/2). After you have looked through these 2 papers, write two paragraphs on what you think the main challenges will be of psychology and how you will meet these challenges.*

Useful links:

https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182/subject-content-as/psychology-in-context#Research_Methods_1_2_3

<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/psychology/specifications/AQA-7181-7182-SP-2015.PDF>

<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/psychology/AQA-71822-SQP.PDF>

Ensure that you are not simply copying text you find, and that you are writing in clear English.

OPTIONAL:

Extension: Email (Mr Sheehan ssheehan@ccs.northants.sch.uk) with a question about the course.

Extension: Research and make notes on a 'classic study' in Psychology.