

GCSE Psychology

Exam Board: Pearson Edexcel

The presentation will begin shortly, can we ask that **cameras and microphones are switched off.**

If you have any questions please type in the chat box and we will answer as many questions as possible.

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Course Overview

The skills examiners look for: Knowledge (AO1), Application (AO2) and evaluation (AO3)

Year 10 Topics - Paper 1 (worth 55%)

- A:** Development
- B:** Memory
- C:** Psychological Problems.
- D:** Social Influence
- E:** The Brain and neuropsychology
- F:** Two 9 mark essays from any of the above A-E topics

1 hour 45 mins exam time

Year 11 Topics- Paper 2 (worth 45%)

- A:** Research Methods.
- B:** Criminal Psychology
- C:** Sleeping and Dreaming
- D:** Two 9 mark essays from topics B-C

1 hour 20 mins exam time

100% exam, no coursework



What you will learn in Psychology

Psychology is the scientific study of mind, it seeks to explain many behaviours, including:

- ▶ How do children's thinking develop?
- ▶ Why do we remember and forget information?
- ▶ How do people around us affect our behaviour?
- ▶ Which part of the brain is responsible for emotions, creativity and so forth?
- ▶ What causes depression and addiction? How can we treat such conditions?
- ▶ Why do people commit crime? What makes criminals?



Why study Psychology?

The course will equip you with valuable transferable skills needed for any level of study or career, including:

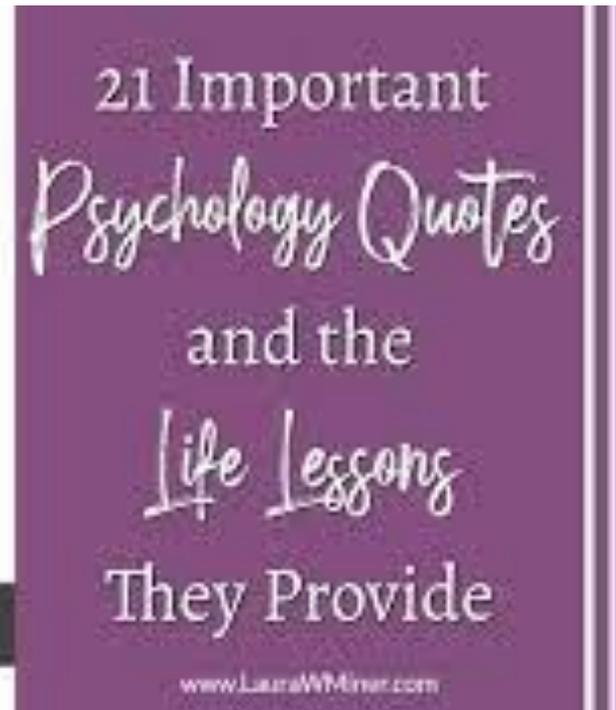
- Academic writing and presentation skills
- Critical thinking and analytical skills
- Abstract reasoning
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Leadership and teamwork skills
- Organisation/time management skills
- General research skills including database searching, conducting literature reviews, synthesising and interpreting vast amounts of information, designing and conducting new research, data analysis, and interpreting and understanding both your own and other's research results



What makes Psychology popular at SASS?

Here are just a few testimonials from our current Year 11 students:

- 'Lessons are very thought provoking and stimulating' - *Samiya Year 11*
- 'Psychology explains real life really well' - *Aniqah Year 11*
- 'Teachers provide lots of interesting resources to help us learn' *Jummah Year 11*
- 'Lessons are fascinating, engaging and we love it' - *Danya and Mariyam Year 11*



What kind of career options does studying Psychology lead to?

Jobs directly related to Psychology degree include:

- Clinical psychologist
- Counselling psychologist
- Education mental health practitioner
- Educational psychologist
- Forensic psychologist
- Further education teacher
- Health psychologist
- High intensity therapist
- Occupational psychologist
- Psychological wellbeing practitioner
- Sport and exercise psychologist



Jobs where Psychology degree would be useful include:

- Advice worker
- Border Force officer
- Careers adviser
- Chaplain
- Counsellor
- Dance movement psychotherapist
- Education consultant
- Human resources officer
- Life coach
- Market researcher
- Mediator
- Neuroscientist
- Play therapist
- Policy officer
- Psychotherapist
- Social researcher



Useful websites for more information:

<https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-my-degree/psychology>

<https://www.ucas.com/careers-advice/employment/how-to-become-a/job-profiles-overview>



FAQs

1. What are the entry requirements to study GCSE Psychology?

Good literacy and numeracy skills are essential, be achieving 'Advanced' in English, Maths and Science.

1. Do I need to do GCSE Psychology in order to do A-Level Psychology?

Not at all

1. Can I sit GCSE Psychology exam in year 10?

No, you will sit both papers only in year 11 along with other GCSE exams

