

Psychology Journey

Core themes in Psychology:



Neuropsychology



Social influence



Memory and cognition



Mental health



Forensics



Issues and debates

By the end of Key Stage 5, Psychology A Level students should be able to explain psychological concepts and theories of human behaviour in detail, ranging from how memories are formed to how to treat offenders. Students will be able to describe and evaluate both classic and contemporary psychological research, offering justified conclusions about their usefulness to society. Students should be able to notice psychological concepts in everyday life and news events.

By the end of Key Stage 4, Psychology GCSE students should have a core foundation of understanding for the varied theories of human behaviour, ranging from why we obey authority to factors which affect our perception of the world. Students will be able to describe and evaluate research within Psychology. Students should be able to compare theories, studies and research methods in regards to their strengths and weaknesses and assess their usefulness to helping society.

By the end of Key Stage 3, students should be able to define what Psychology is and make an informed decision about whether GCSE Psychology is right for them. They should then start forming a basic understanding of the research process in psychology.

Transferable skills gained from GCSE/A Level Psychology:
Literacy skills – describing, evaluating, comparing, critical analysis, constructing balanced arguments etc.
Numeracy skills – inferential statistical testing, drawing and analysing graphs, data analysis etc.
Communication skills – debating, teamwork, discussion etc.
Cultural awareness – understanding of mental health, prejudice, development, individual differences etc.

Psychology career paths you could follow:
 Clinical psychology
 Counselling psychology
 Educational psychology
 Forensic psychology
 Health psychology
 Occupational psychology
 Sport and exercise psychology
 Neuropsychology
 Academia/research/teaching etc.

Relevant degree titles to continue your study of Psychology:
 Psychology
 Forensic Psychology
 Criminology
 Applied Psychology
 Clinical Psychology
 Developmental Psychology
 Educational Psychology
 Child Psychology
 Experimental Psychology
 Social Psychology
 Sport Psychology

Other career paths Psychology could lead to:
 Advertising and marketing
 Charity and non-for-profit
 Law
 Medicine
 Public sector
 Recruitment
 Social care
 Business, HR etc.

Where can Psychology take you?

A Level Exams

Revise revise revise!

Forensics

Relationships

Schizophrenia

Issues and Debates

Attachment

Psychopathology

Mocks

KS5 13

Biopsychology

Memory With Research methods

Careers festival

Social Influence With Research methods

Approaches With Research methods

KS5 12

What affects the accuracy of Eye Witness Testimony?

Why do we forget things?

How are memories formed and stored?

Why do we conform to others' behaviour?

Why do we obey?

How does social change occur?

Social learning theory and biological

Cognitive and humanistic

Psychodynamic and behaviourism

BTEC

A-level

Other

Language thought and communication

Revise revise revise!

GCSE Exams

Perception

Psychological Problems

Social Influence

KS4 11

Mocks

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Research methods

Memory

Careers festival

The brain and neuropsychology

Development

How do psychologists conduct research?

What are the ethical considerations?

Can culture affect perception?

How is mental health changing over time and how does it impact society?

What causes addiction? How can we treat it?

What causes unipolar depression? How can we treat it?

Why do bystanders not help in emergencies?

Why do we conform to others' behaviour?

Why do we act differently when we are in a crowd?

How can our mindset affect our learning?

How do children develop cognitive skills?

How do our brains develop in the womb?

KS4 10

Bridging unit

GCSE Options Evening

KS3 9

What is psychology?

How do psychologists conduct research?

Key memory studies

What are the GCSE course requirements?

What is Psychology?

What are the main units studied in GCSE Psychology?

What do our current students think about Psychology?