

Psychology

Curriculum Overview



Examination Board: AQA

| Year 13 | |
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| Autumn Half Term 1 | Skills |
| <p>Approaches Issues and Debates Comparison of Approaches</p> <p>Biopsychology Localisation of brain function Plasticity and functional recovery after brain trauma Split Brain Research Brain scanning techniques Biological Rhythms</p> | <p>AO1 – Name, outline, describe, explain.</p> <p>AO2 – Apply psychological knowledge to novel scenarios.</p> <p>AO3 – Evaluate, compare, contrast. Use research to support or refute a theory or approach.</p> |
| Autumn Half Term 2 | Skills |
| <p>Cognition and Development Piaget’s theory of cognitive development Piaget’s stages of intellectual development Vygotsky’s theory of cognitive development Baillargeon’s explanation of infant abilities Social Cognition</p> <p>Research Methods - Revision</p> | <p>AO1 – Name, outline, describe, explain.</p> <p>AO2 – Apply psychological knowledge to novel scenarios.</p> <p>AO3 – Evaluate, compare, contrast. Use research to support or refute a theory or approach.</p> |

| Spring Half Term 1 | Skills |
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| <p>Schizophrenia Biological and psychological explanations and therapies for schizophrenia An interactionist approach Issues & Debates Gender and Culture bias Free will and determinism Nature vs nurture</p> | <p>AO1 – Name, outline, describe, explain. AO2 – Apply psychological knowledge to novel scenarios. AO3 – Evaluate, compare, contrast. Use research to support or refute a theory or approach.</p> |
| Spring Half Term 2 | Skills |
| <p>Forensic psychology Offender Profiling Biological and Psychological Explanations Dealing with offending behaviour Issues & Debates Holism and reductionism Idiographic and nomothetic approaches Ethical implications</p> | <p>AO1 – Name, outline, describe, explain. AO2 – Apply psychological knowledge to novel scenarios. AO3 – Evaluate, compare, contrast. Use research to support or refute a theory or approach.</p> |
| Summer Half Term 1 | Skills |
| <p>Research Methods Recap of Research Methods Correlations Case Studies Statistical Tests Reporting Psychological investigations Examination Practice</p> | <p>AO1 – Name, outline, describe, explain. AO2 – Apply psychological knowledge to novel scenarios. AO3 – Evaluate, compare, contrast. Use research to support or refute a theory or approach.</p> |
| Summer Half Term 2 | Skills |
| <p>Examination Practice</p> | |