

SUBJECT: PSYCHOLOGY

EXAM BOARD: AQA



Course Overview

At the end of year 13 you will take the A Level examination in Psychology

Paper 1

Introducing Topics in Psychology

Unit one:

- Memory
- Social Influence
- Attachment
- Psychopathology

Paper 2

Psychology in Context

Unit two:

- Approaches
- BioPsychology
- Research methods

Paper 3

Issues and Options in Psychology

Unit Three:

- Issues and Debates in Psychology
- Gender
- Forensic Psychology
- Schizophrenia

Useful websites

www.bps.org.uk

www.aqa.co.uk

www.simplypsychology.org/

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

<https://www.psychologytoday.com/gb>

<https://subscribe.psychologytoday.com/> (subscription of a psychology magazine, with relevant topics discussed every issue).

Essential text books (bold) and reading list

- **AQA A-level Psychology Book 127 Mar 2015 by Jean-Marc Lawton and Eleanor Willard**
- **New 2015 A-Level Psychology: AQA Year 1 & AS Complete Revision & Practice 21 May 2015 by CGP Books**
- The curious incident of the dog in the night time by Mark Haddon
- Opening Skinner's Box: Great Psychological Experiments of the Twentieth Century by Lauren Slater
- Elephants on Acid by Alex Boese
- We need to talk about Kevin by Lionel Shriver
- One flew over the Cuckoos nest by Ken Kesey
- <https://www.theguardian.com/society/2016/jul/14/genie-feral-child-los-angeles-researchers>
- <https://www.psychologytoday.com/gb/blog/the-human-spark/201306/the-attachment-debate>

Summer task

What is psychology?

Please use summer task sheet to provide you with guidance on what to include in relation to the different approaches.

