GCSE Psychology Learning Journey

Want to study human behaviour?
What to find out more about what makes people 'tick' and how to support people's wellbeing? Then studying psychology (the scientific study of the mind and behaviour) is for you!

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Synoptic Links

Throughout this course we will draw on **research methods** to investigate study design, ethical considerations and data analysis. This is an integral part of psychology and skills we be embedded throughout each module of study.

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- What is the difference between animal and human communication?
- Why is non-verbal communication used?
- Y11 Feb mock exams
- **Key studies**
  1. Von Frisch
  2. Yuki
- How does human language develop?
- How are visual illusions explained?
- Y11 November mock exams
- How does being in a crowd affect our behaviour?
- Thought and Language
- **Key studies**
  1. Gilchrist and Nesberg
  2. Bruner and Minturn
- Perception
- Y10 June mock assessment week
- What factors impact our perception?
- How do we interpret what we see?
- Why do some people help others, and some people don't?
- **Key studies**
  1. Asch
  2. Piliavin

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- What is the nature/ nurture debate?
- How does Piaget explain development?
- **Key studies**
  1. McGarrigle & Donaldson
  2. Hughes
- Social Influence
- Why don't some people obey?
- Why do people conform?
- **Assessment**
  Mini end of topic tests will take place throughout the course.
- How does the brain development happen in the womb?
- Development
- How is depression diagnosed and treated?
- What is mental health?
- How valid is the memory of crime?
- What affects the accuracy of memory?
- **Key studies**
  1. Wiles
  2. Kaij
- Psychological Problems
- **Key studies**
  1. Murdock
  2. Bartlett
- How is addiction diagnosed and treated?
- How does mental health impact the individual and society?
- Y10 November assessment week
- What are the different types of memory?
- Memory
- How do we investigate the brain?
- How do we research in an ethical way?
- Research Methods
- How do we display data?
- How can human behaviour be studied?
- How is data calculated?
- How does our brain influence behaviour?
- **Key studies**
  1. Penfield
  2. Tulving
- What is the structure and function of neurons?
- How is the human nervous system structured?
- How does the body react to stress?
- Brain and Neuro Psych
- welcome

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Prior transferable skills:
KS3 English writing skills, Math's data analysis and Biology studies of the human body.

Assessment
Introduction into 9 mark describe and evaluation of studies.

Assessment objectives
AO1 – Knowledge and understanding
AO2 – Application
AO3- Analysis and evaluation

AQA A Level Psychology (7182) content to be delivered:
Paper 1 Cognition and Behaviour
Paper 2 Social Context and Behaviour