



Year 12 Psychology Curriculum Map

Half Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Big Themes</b>	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Introduction</b> to psychology (2 lessons)  <b>Social Influence:</b> conformity, obedience and social influence Key studies: Zimbardo, Asch, Milgram, Adorno  <b>Research Methods:</b> Experiments, Stroop Test	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Memory:</b> Stores, models, explanations for forgetting, eyewitness testimony, cognitive interview  <b>Attachment:</b> Stages of attachment, role of the father, animal studies  <b>Research Methods</b> Mathematical content, ethical issues in research	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Attachment:</b> Learning theory, cultural variations, orphan studies, institutionalisation, early influences on later relationships  Start <b>Psychopathology</b> Definitions of abnormality, characteristics of phobias, OCD, depression  <b>Research methods</b> Observational techniques, inter-rater reliability,	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Psychopathology</b> Explanations and treatment of phobias, explanations of depression, CBT, explanations and treatment of OCD  Start <b>Approaches:</b> Behaviourism, social learning and cognitive approach  <b>Research Methods:</b> self report questionnaires, types of data, statistical testing	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Approaches:</b> Divisions of the nervous system, structure and function of neurons, psychodynamic approach, humanistic and comparison approaches  Start: <b>Issues and Debates (Year 13)</b>	AQA Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology  <b>Revision:</b> Lessons are designed to prepare students for their mock exam by addressing gaps in understanding and explicitly teaching exam skills.  Students receive feedback on their mock exams. They are expected to read widely over the summer



<b>Knowledge and skills covered</b>	Students are introduced to the psychological approach. They apply key terms, studies and evidence to evaluate topics. They focus on 16 marker 'outline and evaluate' questions and practice short answer questions using model answers.	Students develop their psychological understanding by practising the 16 marker and other short answer exam questions.				
<b>Knowledge organisers and more detailed topic resources can be found on all student Google Classrooms</b>						