

# PRESDALES SCHOOL Achievement for all



# **Psychology Induction Summer Work**

Before you start your A-Levels in September, you are expected to complete the activities in this booklet. It can either be completed electronically or by hand on paper - there is no need to print it. You will however need access to a number of online videos. The work has been divided into activities that will give you a flavour for the skills and the content that you need in Psychology. There are also some optional extension activities which will provide you with more examples about the topics and research studies we look at in psychology and will challenge you to use your critical thinking skills (these optional extension activities are highlighted in pink).

We hope the activities give you a taste for all the excitement and interesting topics to come in your Psychology A-Level!

	Activity	Resources
1	Introduction to Psychology	9 myths about Psychology, debunked (14 mins):
		https://www.ted.com/talks/ben_ambridge_10_myths
	Activity one: Watch the TED talk and choose 3 myths	<u>about psychology_debunked/transcript?language=e</u>
	to describe and explain how they have been	<u>n</u>
	debunked	
	Activity two: Research the following careers in	Websites for research:
	psychology and then <b>choose one</b> to summarise in 150	https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-
	words:	roles/psychological-therapies/roles/clinical-
		<u>psychologist</u>
	1) Clinical psychologist	
	2) Forensic psychologist	https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles/clinical-
	3) Health psychologist	<u>psychologist</u>
		https://www.careerexplorer.com/careers/forensic-
		psychologist/
		https://careers.bps.org.uk/area/health



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#### 2 Ethics

What are ethics and why do we study them in Psychology?: In Britain, ethical guidelines for research are published by the British Psychological Society (BPS). The purpose of these codes of conduct is to protect the participants of the research, the reputation of psychology and psychologists themselves.

In Psychology you will learn about six different ethical guidelines. These are things that Psychologists should follow when conducting studies.

### The six guidelines are as follows:

- 1. Protection From Harm
- 2. Right to Withdraw
- 3. Confidentiality
- 4. Informed Consent
- 5. Debriefing
- 6. Deception

#### **Activity:**

Watch the youtube video to gain a brief understanding of why ethics are important. If you would like to delve further, there are some links provided for additional resources.

Draw a table defining the 6 ethical guidelines.

#### 3 | Psychology timeline

In Year 1, we look at four different schools of psychology. Behaviour is explained differently by psychologists from each approach. For example - are you born with a personality or are personalities a product of our environment?

Social Approach Cognitive Approach Biological Approach

#### Introductory video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpZHkr9 8Gc



#### Resources:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpZHkr9\_8Gc https://www.simplypsychology.org/Ethics.html https://www.tutor2u.net/psychology/reference/ethicsand-psychology https://www.psychologywizard.net/ethics-ao1-ao2ao3.html

**Activity one:** <a href="http://mrmcnabb.weebly.com/5-major-perspectives-in-psychology.html">http://mrmcnabb.weebly.com/5-major-perspectives-in-psychology.html</a>

https://www.simplypsychology.org/a-level-approaches.html

Learning Theories/Behaviour Approach **Activity One:** for each of the different approaches answer the following questions: 1. When did the approach come about? 2. Who was the founder of the approach? 3. What are the key beliefs of the approach in regards to explaining human behaviour? Activity Two (optional extension): Now that you have knowledge of the different approaches. Which type of psychologist do you think you would be, explain your choice? Write 150 words. Research methods List of research methods used in Psychology: https://www.simplypsychology.org/research-**Activity**: In Psychology, you will study a variety of methods.html research methods. Create a mind map of all the research methods (experiment, case study, correlation, interviews, questionnaires, observations, content analysis and peer review) and briefly explain what they are. **Mathematical content** 5 Link to stats booklet: HERE In Psychology, you will study a variety of ways to measure and analyse data using measures of central tendency and inferential statistics. You will also need to complete graphs and interpret tables and charts. **Activity one:** What is the difference between measures of central tendency and inferential statistics? Write a short summary paragraph Activity two: Please complete the stats booklet **Mental Health and diagnosis Activity One:** https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p082bxzn/s tacey-dooley-on-the-psych-ward In Psychology, predominantly second year, we will be focusing on mental health, explanations for certain disorders, how people with mental health disorders Activity Two: are diagnosed and much more. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN3BpNT8xqc https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HK9QAbS822M Activity one: Watch the documentary following the lives of patients and nurses in a psychiatric ward and answer the below questions: 1. Is the look of the psychiatric ward what you expected, please explain your answer? 2. What is so unique about the patients in ward two?

- 3. Do you feel that the restrictions put into place for Rachel (section three) are justified, or do you think they are a breach of her rights?
- 4. What do you think of the treatment of the patients, is there anything you would do differently?

**Activity two:** We will be focusing on Schizophrenia and Depression. Watch the documentaries and then **choose one** of the following mental health disorders to answer questions about:

#### Schizophrenia:

- 1. What is the onset of Schizophrenia?
- 2. What are some of the symptoms?
- 3. What are some of the treatments available?

#### **Depression:**

- 1. When can Depression occur?
- 2. What are some of the symptoms?
- 3. What are some of the treatments available?

Activity three (optional extension): How do we diagnose mental health? We use lots of different tools to diagnose mental health:

Complete research on the following questions and note the resources you use:

- Are the resources you have used credible?
- 1. Who can diagnose somebody with a mental health disorder?
- 2. What is the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM)?
- 3. What is the International classification of diseases (ICD)?



Activity two: Schizophrenia

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN3BpNT8xqc

**Activity two:** Depression

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HK9QAbS822M

We have also included a Psychology reading list and a list of recommended Psychology films which you may choose to explore over the next few months.

## Psychology reading list

#### **Books**

- Introducing Psychology: A Graphic Guide to Your Mind and Behaviour by Nigel Benson
- Mindwatching: Why We Behave the Way We Do by H.J. Eysenck and Michael W. Eysenck
- Psychology: A Very Short Introduction by Gillian Butler and Freda McManus
- Obedience to Authority Stanley Milgram
- Dawkins, R., (2006) The Selfish gene
- Filer, N., (2014) The shock of the fall
- Foster J. K. (2009) Memory: A very short introduction, Oxford –

- Gladwell M. (2005) Blink. Penguin Books.
- Kahneman, D. (2012) Thinking fast and slow
- Ronson J. (2011) The Psychopath Test, Picador
- Storr A. (1989) Freud: A very short introduction, Oxford
- Sleter, L., (2005) Opening Skinner's box: Great psychological experiments of the twentieth century
- Brooks, D. (2011) The Social Animal: A Story of how success happens, Short books
- Emma Donoghue: Room
- Jed Rubenfeld: Interpretation of Murder [Links to Freudian principles]
- Lauren Greenfield: Thin [Links to eating disorders Anorexia]
- Lianne Moriaty: What Alice Forgot [Links to Memory]
- Paul Britton: Jigsaw Man [Links to Forensic Psychology and offender profiling]
- The Lucifer Effect: How good people turn evil by Phillip Zimbardo
- One flew over the Cuckoo's Nest by Chuck Palahniuk
- We need to talk about Kevin by Lionel Shriver

#### **Psychology Film recommendations**

- A Beautiful Mind
- Stuck on you
- One Flew over the Cuckoo's nest
- 12 Angry Men
- Girl Interrupted
- Hotel Rwanda
- Mozart and the Whale
- The Soloist
- After Thomas
- Eternal sunshine of the spotless mind
- Angel Baby
- Instinct
- Memento
- Clockwork Orange
- Shutter Island
- The Silence of the Lambs
- Psycho
- Enough
- Good Will Hunting
- Identity
- Rain Man
- Black Swan
- Sylvia
- Borderline
- Split
- As Good As It Gets
- Crash
- Donnie Darko

