

Curriculum Map - Psychology



KS4

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 10	Social influence	Memory	Psychological problems	Development	Methods	Methods

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 11	The brain and neuro-psychology	Criminal psychology	Sleep and dreaming	Revision	Exams	Exams

KS5

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 12	Behaviourist approach	Biological approach	Psychodynamic approach	Cognitive approach	Positive approach	Research Methods

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Year 13	Schizophrenia	Addiction	Autism	Revision	Exams	Exams

Curriculum Overview - Psychology



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The GCSE EDEXCEL Psychology aims to engage students as they explore human behaviour, get an understanding of themselves and others. The course is organised around key questions, such as 'how does your memory work?', 'how do others affect you?', that develops curious thinkers as it investigates areas of human behaviour that students can then relate to their own experiences. The course allows for students to become mini-psychologists and recreate some of the classic studies that are included on the course.

Topics studied:

- Social influence
- Memory
- Development
- Psychological problems
- The brain and neuropsychology
- Psychological research methods
- Criminal psychology
- Sleep and dreaming

KS5

A Level Psychology is both challenging and intriguing. Students will gain a comprehensive appreciation of the nature of psychology and psychological enquiry. Through this course students will be introduced to historical and current psychological approaches and classic and contemporary research. In addition, there are opportunities to explore psychological controversies and debates. Students are required to complete personal investigations whereby they will become budding psychologists carrying out their own research projects.

Topics studied:

- Psychological approaches – biological, behavioural, cognitive, psychodynamic and positive
- Psychological research methods
- Addictive behaviours
- Autism
- Schizophrenia

Experiences

- Opportunity to carry out their own research and analyse it.
- Develop oracy, confidence and teamwork through debates.
- Opportunities to attend higher experiences and campus days at University.

Links to CHARACTER

- Develop literacy skills to ensure life-long learners.
- Use knowledge and skills to refine our understanding of human behaviours such as addiction and emotion.
- Build self-esteem and confidence through written work, debate and skill application.