

<u>A Level Psychology</u>

| Exam Board | AQA | | |
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| Assessment | Three examinations | | |
| Entry Requirements | Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths and Science | | |
| Units studied | Compulsory Topics: | Optional Topics: | |
| | Approaches to Psychology | Forensic psychology | |
| | Social Influence | Relationships | |
| | Memory | Schizophrenia | |
| | Attachment | | |
| | Psychopathology | | |
| | Biopsychology | | |
| | Research Methods | | |
| | Issues and Debates | | |
| Future pathways | Marketing | Business development | |
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| | Clinical psychology | Accountancy | |
| | Nursing | Occupational therapy | |
| | Teaching. | | |

A-level Psychology will give you an understanding of the way people think and why people behave in certain ways. You will learn a variety of skills including analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving and many more that will prepare you for an exciting future with the possibility of a range of fantastic careers.

During studying A-level Psychology, students will explore an exciting range of contemporary issues including understanding cognitive and biological explanations for mental disorders such as phobias and OCD to explaining criminal offending behaviours.

Psychology offers an array of transferable skills, including understanding and interpreting research and data, critically analysing theories on behaviour to balancing and evaluating contemporary research in Psychology.

Psychology is also complimentary of other subjects, in the course 10% of the content is related to Science so a good GCSE grade is desirable. Also, 25% of the A level is research methods and 10% related to Mathematical skills, and thus a good Maths GCSE grade is also desirable for successful A-level students

Psychology students will be assessed at the end of the two year course through three examinations equally weighing 33% of their A Level course.

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