



Subject	A Level Psychology		
Title/Topic	Format	Length	WC
Paper 1 – Introductory Topics in Psychology	Written	2 hours	
Paper 2 – Psychology in Context	Written	2 hours	

In this September assessment I will be asked to show I can...

Paper 1:

Show knowledge and understanding on the full range of topics we have covered for Paper 1 – Introductory Topics in Psychology (total 96 marks).

The paper consists of 4 sections (24 marks each) covering: Social Influence, Memory, Attachment & Clinical Psychology and Mental Health.

There will be a range of questions on the paper including Multiple Choice Questions, a selection of shorter answer questions (between 1-7 marks) and extended response questions (either 8 or 16 markers). There may also be some applied research methods questions within the paper so you must ensure you revise Research Methods for this paper as well as for the Research Methods section in Paper 2. You must answer all questions in each section.

Key areas of focus should include:

Explanations for obedience, resisting social influence and minority influence

Models of Memory, explanations of forgetting and factors affecting eyewitness testimony.

Types of attachment, explanations of attachment (learning theory and Bowlby)

Definitions in the field of mental health (was definitions of abnormality)

Explanations and treatments of depression, explanations and treatments of phobias.

Paper 2:

Show knowledge and understanding on the full range of topics we have covered for Paper 2 – Psychology in Context (total 96 marks).



The paper consists of 3 sections (2 x 24 mark sections and 1 x 48 mark section) covering: Approaches (24), Biopsychology (24) and Research Methods (48)

There will be a range of questions on the paper including Multiple Choice Questions, a selection of shorter answer questions (between 1-7 marks) and extended response questions (either 8 or 16 markers). There may also be some applied research methods questions within the first 2 sections of the paper as well as for the Research Methods section. You must answer all questions in each section.

Key areas of focus should include:

Learning theories, biological approach, psychodynamic approach

All biopsychology topic areas covered before the Summer holiday – Divisions of the Nervous System, Fight and Flight. Neurons & Synaptic Transmission, Hormonal System

All Research Methods topic (covered at the start of this academic year)

What should I do to revise and prepare for this assessment?

Please use the following resources to prepare for this assessment:-

- Ensure all of your notes are up to date and clear.
- Practise exam questions these can be located here:- [A-level Psychology 7182 | Assessment Resources | AQA](#)
- Make flash cards
- A3 revision posters for each topic for paper 1 and 2.

What useful websites/resources could I use to help me prepare?

- Your exercise book which will have all your class notes.
- Revision guide - [Psychology textbooks and resources from GCSE to A Level | Hachette Learning](#)
- All of the revision resources given to you in class to prepare you for the assessment.
- Psychology Revision Websites - [AQA A-level Psychology Revision](#) ; [AQA A-level Psychology Revision - PMT](#);
- Psychology YouTube videos - [tutor2u - YouTube](#)