Year 12 Advent Assessment – November 2026

Subject	Psychology	
Title/Topic	**Format**	**Length**
Paper 1 – Research Methods	MCQ, Short answer and application style questions. (Written)	45 mins

In this Advent assessment I will be asked to show I can…

Demonstrate the following knowledge and skills you have covered so far in

Psychology, in both Mr Bullock and Mrs Betts lessons on **Research Methods.**

There will be a range of questions on the paper including Multiple Choice

Questions, a selection of shorter answer questions and some application questions (to a scenario). There may also be some questions which require you to draw or interpret a graph and evaluate methods.

You must answer all the questions on the paper.

You are allowed a calculator in this paper.

Areas of Research Methods to revise

- **Aims of research**
- **Hypotheses**
- **Research Design**
- **Sampling**
- **Lab Experiments**
- **Field Experiments**
- **Natural Experiments**
- **Reliability**
- **Validity**
- **Ethics**
- **Correlations**
- **Measures of Central Tendency – Mean, Median, Mode and Range**
- **Measures of dispersion – range and standard deviation**
- **Demand Characteristics – investigator effects**
- **Pilot Studies**

- **Case Studies**
- **Types of data – qualitative v quantitative, primary, secondary**
- **Levels of measurement**
- **Probability**
- **Type 1 and Type 2 errors**
- **The sign test**
- **Statistical testing and choice of test**
- **Reporting Psychological Investigations**

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

To prepare you should do the following-

Use your exercise books from both teachers to review your notes.
Use your topic booklet given in class by Mrs Betts
Create and review flash cards you have been making after lessons as part of your revision.
Create revision mind maps on the above topics.

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

- Booklets from lessons
- Exercise books x 2
- Revision flash cards and mind maps