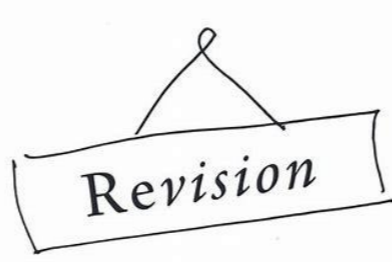
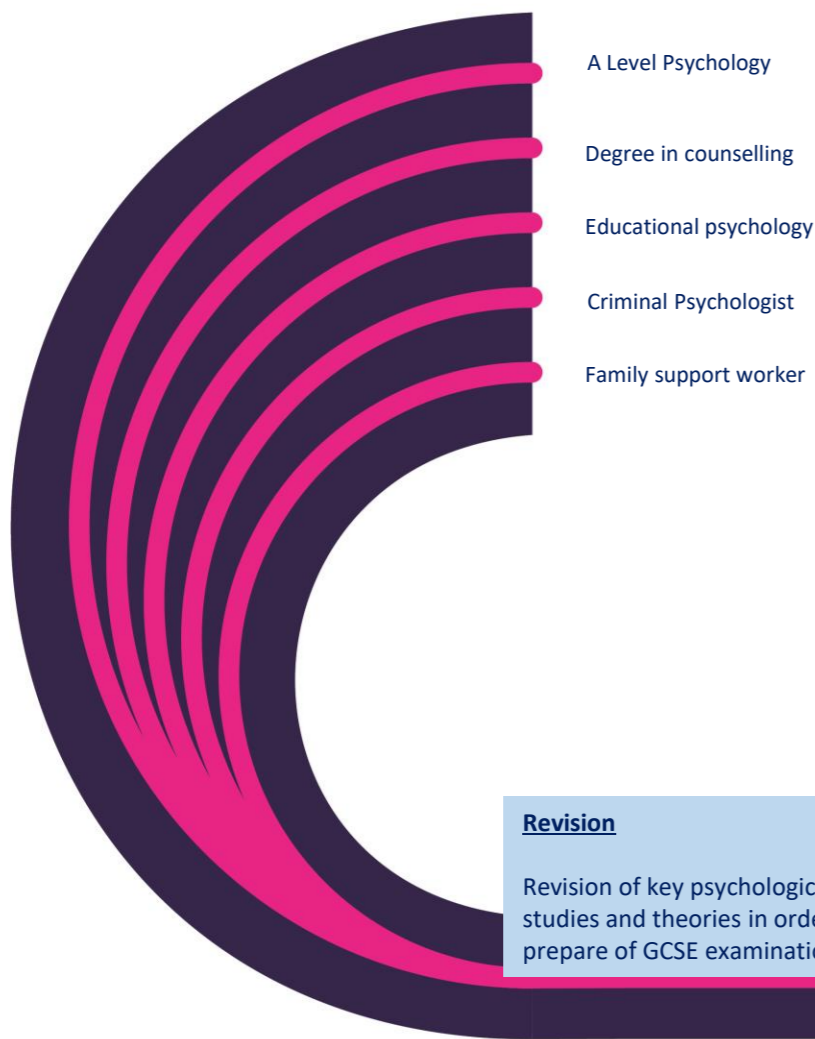


PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM



Revision
Revision of key psychological studies and theories in order to prepare for GCSE examination.

Research Methods:
Until this point, research methods is an implicit theme that runs across the study of all psychology theories. Stand only unit to consider sampling, criticisms and development of psychological theories.

Development
The changing role of education. Learning theories for development. Psychological study: Dweck – implicit theories of intelligence.

Development
Stages and theories of brain development. Psychological study: Piaget – a study into the conservation of number. IQ as a measure of intelligence

Psychological Problems
Theories and statistics of clinical depression. The ABC model. Psychological study: Tandoc and Duffy – Is Facebook depressing? The development of treatments including anti-psychotics, anti-depressants, CBT and brain imaging.



YEAR 11

Zone 11 starts

Psychological Problems
Ways of defining mental health. Changing attitudes towards mental health. Schizophrenia and the characteristics, theories and statistics. Psychological study: Daniel and Jones et al – Effects of amphetamine during activation.

Sleep and Dreaming.
The causes of sleep disorders and the theories of dreaming. Psychological study: Freud's study of the theory of dreaming. The activation synthesis theory of dreaming. Sleep hygiene and the physical environment.



Sleep and Dreaming
The features, functions and benefits of sleep. (Why do we sleep?) The Sleep cycle and the neuropsychology of sleep.

Memory
The development of schemas and the theory of reconstructive memory. Distortion and the effects of leading questions on our recall of events. Psychological study: Braun, Ellis & Loftus on reconstructive memory.

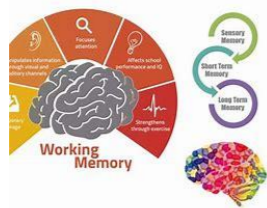
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Social Influence
Authority and its impact of behaviour. Psychology study: Milgram's electric shock experiment. Bickman's study into the social power of a uniform.

Social Influence
Neuropsychology and the impact of authoritarian personalities. Psychological study: Natcen Morrell – a study into the August riots in England.

Memory
Understand how our brain processes new information. The structure of the brain how information is stored in our long- or short-term memory.



Social Influence
How so others influence our behaviour? Key concepts of social influence include: Majority influence, Collective and crowd behaviour, Obedience



YEAR 9

Criminal Psychology
The changing nature of punishment. The effects of punishments and deterrents in reducing criminal/anti-social behaviour. The role of rehabilitation in reducing criminal/anti-social behaviour and increasing pro-social behaviour.

Criminal Psychology
Is there a criminal personality trait? Further development of the Nature/Nurture debate. Psychological Study: Eysenck's personality theory and Heaven's study into delinquency.

Criminal Psychology
What makes someone take part in criminal activity? The Nature/Nurture debate. Is crime a social construct? Psychological study: Cooper and Mackie and the social learning theory.

