

Psychology GCSE: AQA

Curriculum Intent:

Throughout this GCSE Psychology course students will become acquainted with a variety of different units including memory, social influence and developmental psychology. Students will be expected to draw on knowledge and understanding of the entire course of study to show a deeper understanding of these topics. This course is perfect for anyone looking to achieve a GCSE in Psychology to enhance their knowledge of a complex and interesting subject and gain a recognised qualification.

Qualification:

AQA Psychology GCSE

Content

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Paper 1: Cognition and Behaviour:

1. Memory
2. Perception
3. Development
4. Research methods

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Paper 2: Social context and behaviour:

1. Social influence
2. Language, thought and communication
3. Brain and neuropsychology
4. Psychological problems

Assessment

Assessment objectives (AOs)	Component weightings (approx %)		Overall weighting (approx %)
	Paper 1	Paper 2	
AO1	17.5	17.5	35
AO2	17.5	17.5	35
AO3	15	15	30
Overall weighting of components	50	50	100

4.3 Assessment weightings

The marks awarded on the papers will be scaled to meet the weighting of the components. Students' final marks will be calculated by adding together the scaled marks for each component. Grade boundaries will be set using this total scaled mark. The scaling and total scaled marks are shown in the table below.

Component	Maximum raw mark	Scaling factor	Maximum scaled mark
Paper 1	100	x1	100
Paper 2	100	x1	100
Total scaled mark:			200

Assessment for Psychology: written exams

Cognition and behaviour (Paper 1): 50%

Social context and behaviour (Paper 2): 50%