

Psychology Curriculum Road Map 2021-22 Key stage 5

T1: Theme 1 Introductory Topics -Social Influence

- · Types of conformity
- Conformity to social roles
- Explanations for obedience
- Explanations of resistance to social influence
- · Minority influence
- Role of social influence in social change

T2: Theme 1 Introductory Topics- Memory

Multistore model

- Types of long-term memory
- Working memory model
- Explanations for forgetting
- Factors affecting the accuracy of EWT
- Improving the accuracy of EWT

T3: Theme 1 Introductory Topics - Attachment

- Caregiver-infant interactions
- Animal studies of attachment
- Explanations of attachment
- Ainsworth's strange situation
- Bowlby's theory of maternal deprivation
- The influence of early attachment on later relationships



T6: Theme 1 Introductory Topics -Psychopathology

Definitions

- Clinical characteristics
- Phobias
- Depression
- OCD

T5: Theme 2 Psychology in Context -approaches

- Learning
- Cognitive
- Biological
- Psychodynamic
- Humanistic
- Comparison of approaches

T4: Theme 2 Psychology in Context -Biological Psych and Research Methods

- Divisions of the nervous system
- Structure and function of neurones
- The function of the endocrine system
- The fight or flight response
- Localisation of function
- Ways of studying the brain

Research methods

- Scientific processes
- Data handling and analysis
- Inferential testing

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Big Ideas:

- Scientific method
- Paradigms and paradigm shifts
- Ethics in research
- Psychology and the economy



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T1: Theme 3 Issues and Options- Issues and Debates and Biopsychology

Issues and Debates

- Gender and culture bias in psychology
- Free-will and determinism
- The nature-nurture debate
- Holism and reductionism
- Idiographic and nomothetic approaches

Biopsychology

- Localisation of function and hemispheric lateralisation
- · Biological rhythms

T2: Theme 3 Options-Gender

Sex and gender

- The role of c'somes and hormones
- Cognitive explanations
- Psychodynamic explanation
- Social learning theory explanation
- Atypical gender development

T3:_Theme 3 Options – Schizophrenia

- Classification of schizophrenia
- Biological explanations
- Psychological explanations
- Drug therapy
- Cognitive behaviour therapy and family therapy
- The importance of an interactionist approach for diagnosis and treatment



T5 and 6: Revision knowledge re-cap depending on formative assessment needs of each student, this will be identified by subject



T4: Theme 3 Options-Forensic Psychology

- Offender profiling
- Biological explanations
- Psychological explanations
- Dealing with offending behaviour

Big Ideas:

- Philosophical debates in psychology
- Bias in research
- Implications of socially sensitive research for individuals and society

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