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Sixth Form Induction Day
Psychology Taster Session



Psychology Taster Session Aims



TO HAVE GREATER KNOWLEDGE
AND UNDERSTANDING ABOUT
PSYCHOLOGY



TO BE AWARE OF THE COURSE
STRUCTURE AND REQUIREMENTS



TO CONSIDER WHAT MAKES A
GOOD PSYCHOLOGY STUDENT



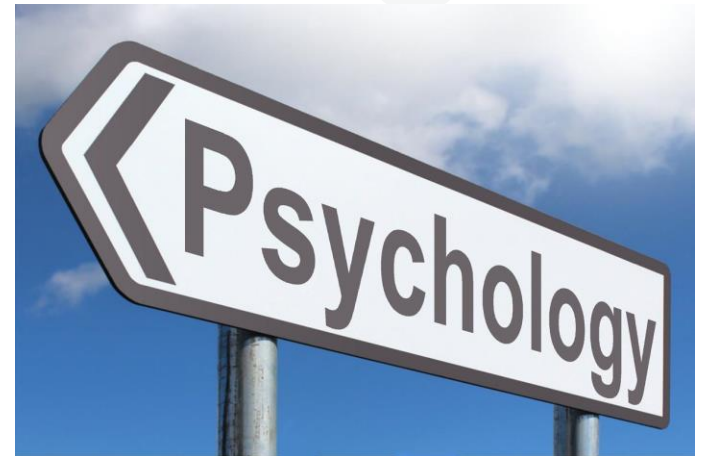
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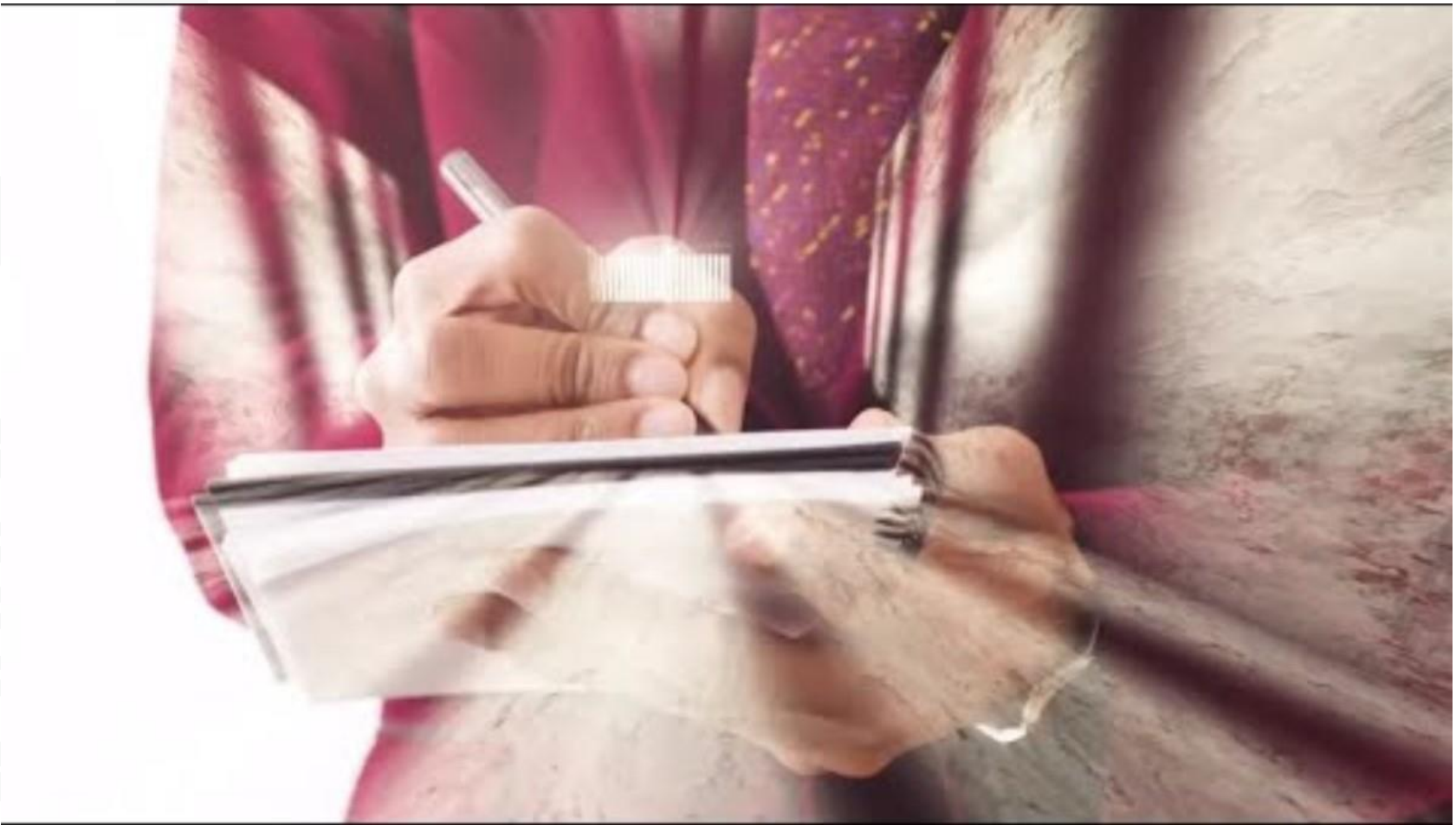
What is Psychology?

- Psychology is the study of the mind and behaviour.
- Psychology uses scientific methodology to understand human behaviour.
- There are many fields of study in Psychology including
 - Clinical Psychology
 - Educational & Child Psychology
 - Health Psychology
 - Biopsychology
 - Social Psychology
 - Cognitive Psychology



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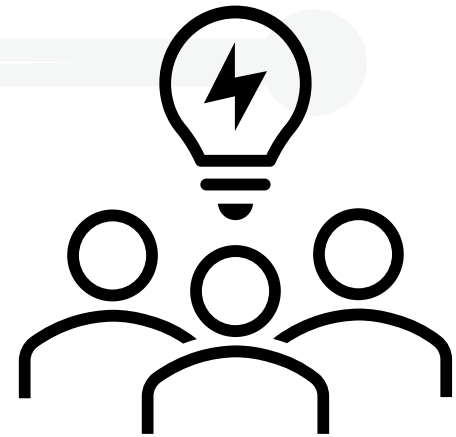


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Activity - Discussion

Why do people act the way they do?

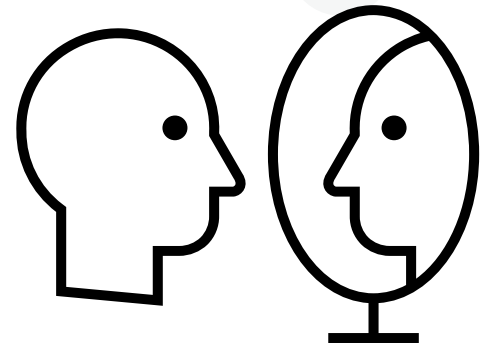
Consider factors that affect how people behave.



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Activity - Discussion

Is human behaviour a result of nature or nurture?



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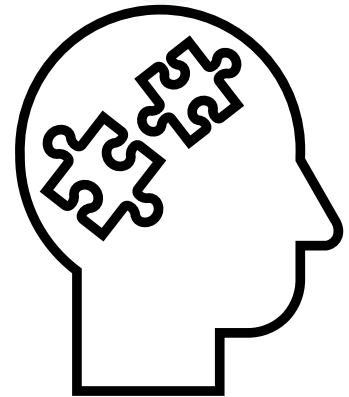
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Do we have control over our behaviour?

Do humans have freewill or is
behaviour determined?



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AQA A Level Psychology

Course outline

Paper 1: Introductory
Topics in Psychology

Paper 2: Psychology in
Context

Paper 3: Issues and Options
in Psychology



Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology



2 hours



96 marks



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MCQ, short answer questions
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Psychology Topics

Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3
Social influence	Approaches	Issues & Debates
Memory	Biopsychology	Cognition & Development
Attachment	Research Methods	Schizophrenia
Psychopathology		Forensic Psychology



Top tips for studying Psychology at A Level...

- Be organised
- Be ready to write
- Be ready to act on advice
- Be ready to discuss ideas
- Be ready to ask questions
- Be ready to critically evaluate views



What do I need to do to prepare before September?

- Over the summer make sure you complete the transition work which can be found on the website.
- Please bring the completed transition work to your first lesson in September.
- Please look at the specification from the examination board [AQA | AS and A-level | Psychology | Specification at a glance](#)
- Keep up to date with the news, Psychology is a contemporary subject all about society.
- Check out the reading and resources available on the BPS website - [The Psychologist | BPS](#)

