



North Halifax Grammar School – A Level Transition Work

A level Psychology Transition Work 2021

Specification

Welcome to Psychology A Level. We study the AQAPsychology specification. Here is a link that will take you to it so you can have an in-depth look at what you will be studying:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182>

Course Overview

By studying Psychology, you will learn the fundamentals of the subject and develop a variety of skills valued by Higher Education (HE) and employers, including critical analysis, independent analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving and research that will prepare you for an exciting future with the possibility of a range of fantastic careers.

One of the main aims of the course is to enable students to understand how society makes decisions about scientific issues and how the sciences contribute to the success of the economy and society.

A-Level Psychology topics and assessment:

The syllabus below outlines the expectations of the 2 year A-level programme of study:

Year 1 Subject Content	Year 2 Subject Content
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Social influence● Approaches● Memory● Psychopathology● Attachment● Issues and debates● Research methods (Year 1 content)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Biopsychology● Relationships● Addiction● Stress● Research methods (Year 2 content)

If you would like to find out more detail about any particular topics use the link below:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182/subject-content-a-level>

Assessment in A-level Psychology includes questions that allow students to demonstrate their ability to:

- draw together their skills, knowledge and understanding from across the full course of study
- provide extended responses.

You will sit 3 equally weighted exams at the end of the second year of study in May/June:

- Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology
- Paper 2: Psychology in Context
- Paper 3: Issues and Options in Psychology

There is no coursework or practical assessment in Psychology.



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Recommended Reading / Revision / Websites / Videos

Throughout the course you may find the following websites helpful for revision materials and exam practice:

AQA website

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/resources/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology/teach/resource-list-v2>

Tutor2u

<https://www.tutor2u.net/psychology>

Physics and Maths tutor

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/psychology-revision/a-level-aqa>

Psych boost videos

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqqlPOTshm8EM8CCWkCy9Pg>

Crash course psychology videos

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8dPuuaLjXtOPRKzVLY0jJY-uHOH9KVU6>

TED talks

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAuUUUnT6oDeKwE6v1NGQxug/search?query=psychology>

Quizlet

<https://quizlet.com/en-gb>

Transition work

- 1) Choose tasks/activities you want to do from the Psychology information booklet
- 2) Choose your favourite task/activity and complete the report worksheet about it then print it out and bring it to class with you on your first Psychology lesson.

Here is are links to

- [The Psychology Information Booklet](#)
- [The Report Sheet](#)