

A Level Psychology

Please complete one line from the task box below. All students must complete the middle box.

Create a scrapbook (digital or paper) of articles in the news that are linked to how people behave, how they think, what motivates them etc. Annotate each article with a summary of the main points and create a glossary of terms that are new to you.

Watch: What makes a murderer?
(Channel 4) or real-life crime
documentaries. Explore the idea of
whether criminals are born
(nature debate) or made (nurture
debate). Map out both sides of
this argument and support with
your findings.

Research either Ainsworth's
Strange Situation or Van
Ijzendoorn and Kroonenberg's
cross cultural study of attachment.
Produce a fact sheet to explain the
aim of the study; the research
method and procedures; findings
(results); conclusions drawn; any
strengths or weaknesses.

Research one of the following disorders and create a fact file about it. This must include information on signs and symptoms, possible causes, different treatments: OCD; Depression; Schizophrenia.

Write a 500 word report answering the question: 'What has impacted on my behaviour and learning to date?'

Research one theorists
explanation of how we learn.
Create a poster to explain their
ideas/assumptions. This must be
supported with examples: Ivan
Pavlov; Burrhus Frederic Skinner;
Albert Bandura.

Create a profile on either John Bowlby or Jean Piaget This must include the field of psychology they work in; when they were working; their most notable pieces of research; the influence they have had on psychology; an image. Research studies around
Romanian Orphanages. Create a
Powerpoint to share this
information. Include the findings
from each study, and conclude
how being institutionalised
affected these children.

Watch The Fear Clinic: Face your Phobias (Channel 4). Produce observation notes on individual phobias: What is their phobia? How did it develop? How do they behave in relation to the phobia? Which strategies do they use to help the individual overcome their phobia? How effective is this?

Useful resources/websites

- www.simplypsychology.org/a-level-psychology.html
- www.tutor2u.net/psychology
- www.senecalearning.com
- www.psychalive.org/
- www.bearitinmind.org

Suggested books/reading list

- Cara Flanagan, Matt Jarvis, Rob Liddle (2015) AQA Psychology for A Level, Year 1 & AS, Illuminate Publishing
- Luke Bennett, et al (2019) AS & A Level Psychology, Complete Revision & Practice, CGP
- Cara Flanagan, Matt Jarvis, Rob Liddle (2020) AQA Psychology for A Level, Year 1 & AS, Revision Guide, Illuminate Publishing