

WELCOME TO PSYCHOLOGY W



Welcome from the Social Science Department











What is Psychology?

Psychology is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour!





How is the course structured?



- •A 2-year course assessed by 2 x exams (Edexcel exam board) at the end of Year 11
- •Paper 1 exam (1hr 45 = 55%)
- •Paper 2 exam (1hr 20 = 45%)
- Student Tracking Tests are completed throughout the course in preparation for the GCSE exams

What topics will I cover?

Paper 1

- Development How did you develop?
- Memory How does your memory work?
- Psychological problems How would psychological problems affect you?
- The brain and Neuropsychology How does your brain affect you?
- Social influence How do others affect you?

Paper 2

- Criminal psychology Why do people become criminals?
- Sleep & dreaming why and how do we sleep and dream?
- Research methods How do you carry out psychological research?

An insight into some topics...

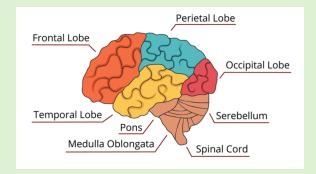


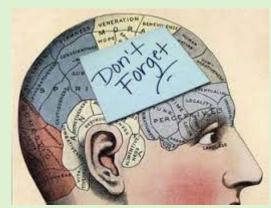








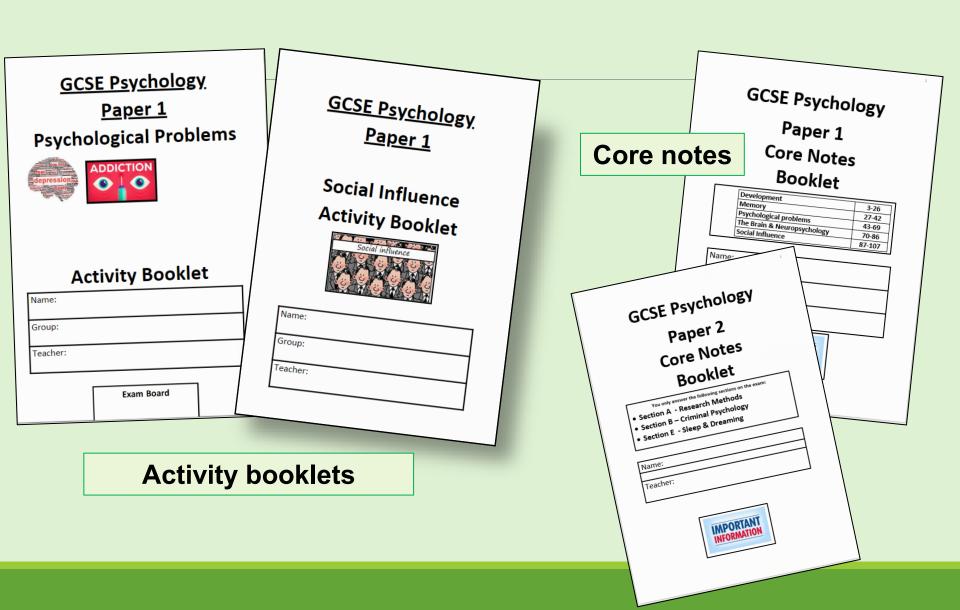




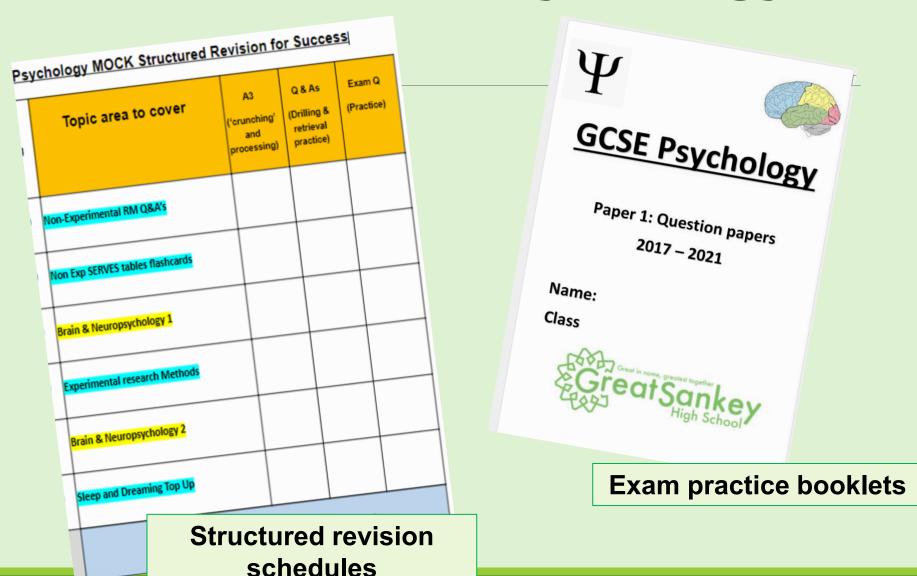




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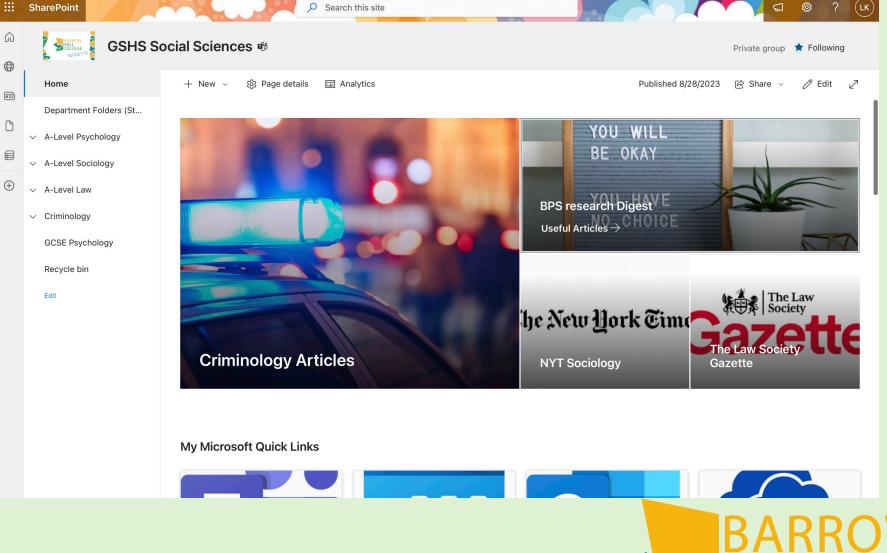
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Our revision consists of:

- A3 summary sheets or 'crunching' notes
- Qand As

| Aim: To investigate which sex is more violent. | Experimental designs 1. Repeated Measures | Experimental designs 2. Independent Group Design | Experimental designs 3. Matched Pairs Design |
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| What needs to be operationalised? | 1. kepeated measures | 2. Independent Group Design | 5. Matched Pairs Design |
| How = | Explain: | Explain: | Explain: |
| IV = | Positive: | Positive: | Positive: |
| DV= | Negative: | Negative: | Negative: |
| | Control and explain = (counter balance) | | |
| One tailed hypothesis (Directional hyp) = | | | |
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| Two –tailed hypothesis (Non-directional hyp) = | | | |
| | Lab Exp | Field Exp | Standardised procedure |
| | Explain: | Explain: | |
| | | | Standardised instructions: |
| | Positive: | Positive: | |
| | | | Control of extraneous variables |
| | Negative: | Negative: | Randomisation. |
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'Crunching' isn't just simply re-writing notes but **processing** at a deeper level so they are concise and semantic to the student.





Is Psychology right for me?

- An interest in understanding human thought and behaviour
- Always questioning why or what things mean
- A willingness to join in class discussions and formulate opinions – think outside the box
- Interested in conducting your own research
- Psychology is a triple threat maths (mean, mode, median, etc), science (experiments and structure of the brain), English (there are 5 essays across the two papers)
- A dedication to learn a new subject there are a lot of new key concepts to learn.

Why choose Psychology?

- It is an extremely interesting subject with the chance to explore different topics you are interested in!
- A chance to learn something new that you have not studied before
- Exciting career prospects teacher, therapist, sports psychologist, forensic scientist, criminologist, neuropsychologist and much more!
- Experienced examiners

Why choose Psychology?

- Pathway to a number of different A-Levels including:
- Sociology
- Criminology
- Law
- Philosophy and ethics
- And much more!







We look forward to seeing you in September 2024!