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| **Psychology Revision List Summer 2025** | |
| **Paper 1** will be a true paper 1 exam. It will be **2 hours long** and it will be out of **96 marks.** There will be 4 topics: **Social Influence, Memory, Attachment and Psychopathology.**    **Paper 2:** This will reflect a paper 2 exam. It will be **2 hours** long and it will be out of **96 marks.** There will be 3 topics: **Approaches, biopsychology\* and Research Methods.** You will need a calculator for this exam.    **\*Note: even though you have not specifically studied biopsychology, the content from approaches: the biological approach overlaps, and the exam has been adapted to suit this.** | |
| **Topic** | **Revised?** |
| **Paper 1** |  |
| **Social Influence** |  |
| Types of conformity |  |
| Explanations of conformity including Asch’s study and situational explanations and Zimbardo’s study |  |
| Explanations of obedience including situational and dispositional explanations and Milgram’s study |  |
| Explanations of resistance to social influence including social support and locus of control |  |
| Minority social influence |  |
| The role of social influence processes in social change |  |
| **Memory** |  |
| Models of memory including multi-store memory model and the working memory model |  |
| Types of long-term memory |  |
| Explanations of forgetting: retrieval failure and interference |  |
| Eyewitness testimony including factors impacting and how to improve (cognitive interview) |  |
| **Attachment** |  |
| Caregiver-infant interactions |  |
| Stages of attachments: Schaffer |  |
| Role of the father |  |
| Strange situation including types of attachments and cultural variations |  |
| Animal studies |  |
| Explanations of attachment |  |
| Maternal deprivation |  |
| The influence of early attachment on childhood and adult relationships |  |
| **Psychopathology** |  |
| Definitions of abnormality |  |
| Phobias including characteristics, explanations and treatments |  |
| OCD including characteristics, explanations and treatments |  |
| Depression including: characteristics, explanations and treatments. |  |
| **Paper 2** |  |
| **Research methods** |  |
| Experimental methods including variables, hypotheses, types, designs, sampling |  |
| Non-experimental methods including self-report techniques, observations, case studies |  |
| Aims and hypotheses |  |
| Controls, standardisation, types of validity, reliability, pilot studies |  |
| Peer review, content analysis |  |
| Ethics / ethical implications and implications of research on the economy. |  |
| Descriptive statistics including calculations and presentation and display of data |  |
| Inferential testing – sign test. |  |
| **Approaches** |  |
| Wundt |  |
| Learning approaches: behaviourism and SLT |  |
| Cognitive approach |  |
| Psychodynamic approach |  |
| Humanistic approach |  |
| Comparisons of approaches |  |
| **Biopsychology.** |  |
| The fight or flight response including the role of adrenaline. |  |
| The divisions of the nervous system including parasympathetic and the sympathetic nervous system. |  |
| The process of synaptic transmission |  |
| Localisation of function in the brain and hemispheric lateralisation: |  |
| Genetic inheritance including genotype and phenotype |  |
| Evolution |  |
| Revision Links | |
| **Research Methods:** **Remember Methods will appear in every paper so could contribute up to 30% of your overall A level result – so you must know all of methods for all 3 exam papers.**    Revision Resources - all on TEAMS and [A Level Psychology (sharepoint.com)](https://omegamat.sharepoint.com/sites/GSHSSocialSciencesStaff/SitePages/A-Level-psychology.aspx)  · A3 crunch sheets & Q&A’s  · Core Notes & Class PPTs  · DIRT from past assignments including exemplar answers  · Past papers | |