

Independent Scholarship Award: A Level Psychology

Bronze (Must Be Completed)	Silver (Strongly recommended)	Gold (Optional)
<p>1. APPROACHES IN PSYCHOLOGY: Research the different approaches to studying the mind and behaviour used by psychologists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video: Crash Course Introduction to Psychology - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo4pMVb0R6M • Reading A: What is Psychology? • Reading B: What is Psychology? • Task: Complete approaches spider-diagram – summarise the key assumptions of each approach and the research methods they use. 	<p>GETTING STARTED: INTRODUCTION TO AQA A-LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY</p> <p>This free online course provides all new AQA A-Level Psychology students with a useful introduction to the structure of their course and how students are assessed.</p> <p>1-2 hours learning time</p> <p>8 videos, resources and activities</p> <p>Enrol at: https://ondemand.tutor2u.net/students/introduction-to-aqa-a-level-psychology</p>	<p>APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY – FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY AND BRAIN ABNORMALITIES IN MURDERERS</p> <p>Forensic Psychology is the application of psychological theories and studies to understand and treat criminal behaviour. For this activity you will be introduced to some basic ideas in Forensic Psychology. You will then read an article considering the biological basis of criminality and answer a number of questions related to the article. This will be quite challenging and will encourage you to delve deeper into the nature of psychology, as well as considering one of the many ways that psychology is applied in everyday life.</p> <p>Reading: Forensic Psychology and Criminal Behaviour</p> <p>Read the article and complete the activities and questions that follow.</p>
<p>2. RESEARCH METHODS: Understand how Psychology adopts a scientific approach to the study of mind and behaviour, using a variety of different research methods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Video: Crash Course in Psychology – Research and Experimentation https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFV71QPvX2I • Video: The Science Show Psych – Hindsight Bias https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=csqOL_KT4Go • Reading C: Introduction to Psychology – The Scientific Approach • Task: For each piece of research complete a Research Worksheet – summarising and evaluating each piece of research. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cognitive dissonance ○ Gender ○ Jury decision making ○ Helping behaviour 		
<p>3. CAREERS IN PSYCHOLOGY: Some people who study psychology go on to develop a career working as a psychologist. There are a number of different careers in psychology. Using the two websites below and wider research, find out what careers are available in psychology and what they involve (make brief notes summarising at least three of these). You should also explore other careers for which a degree in psychology is useful.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://careers.bps.org.uk/ • https://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers-advice/what-can-i-do-with-mydegree/psychology 		

