

Psychology Curriculum Information

Year 12 AS

AQA A 1181

The AS Psychology course has been designed to give students a broad introduction to the science of mind, behaviour and experience. The AS examination consists of two units of equal weighting. The first unit covers Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology and Research Methods and is worth 50% of the AS level, consisting of a written examination of 1½ hours. The second unit covers Biological Psychology, Social Psychology and Individual Differences and is worth 50% of the AS level consisting of a written examination of 1½ hours taken in June.

Year 13 A2

AQA A 2181

The A2 Psychology course is designed to build on information and skills already acquired during the AS course. The A2 examination consists of two units. The first unit topic in Psychology is worth 25% of the total A Level marks. Topics include Relationships, Biological Rhythms, Sleep and Eating behaviour and the unit consists of a written paper lasting 1½ hours taken in January. The second unit covers Psychopathology, Psychology in Action and Research Methods and is worth 25% of the total A Level marks and consists of a written paper of 2 hours.

