



PSYCHOLOGY A LEVEL

Course Offered: **A Level Psychology**

Length of Course: **2 Years**

Number of Lessons per Week: **6**

Entry Qualifications: **Five Grades 9-5 at GCSE including at least Grades 5-5 in English Language and English Literature, Grades 5-5 in Combined Science Trilogy or Grades 5-5-5 in Separate Sciences and Grade 5 in Mathematics**

“An inspirational subject that will change the way you look at things forever”

The mind is something intangible that exists within our brain; an unseen process of enzymes, chemicals and electric currents. But why is it that some people suffer from stress or mental illness? Or that others are considered abnormal for deviating from social norms? Psychology looks at questions like these and more. It's a fascinating science with cutting edge research that has real world applications that you are bound to find interesting.

Course Summary :

Compulsory Content: Social Influence, Memory Attachment, Psychopathology, Approaches in Psychology, Biopsychology, Research Methods, Issues and Debates in Psychology.

PLUS one topic for each option below:

Option 1: Relationships or Gender or Cognition

Option 2: Schizophrenia or Eating Behaviour or Stress

Option 3: Aggression or Forensic Psychology or Addiction

Exams:

You will sit 3 summer exams at the end of your second year.

Paper 1: 2 hour exam, topics 1-4.

Paper 2: 2 hour exam, topics 5-7.

Paper 3: 2 hour exam, topic 8 plus one topic from each of the 3 option blocks.

Where Will A-Level Psychology Take You?:

Psychology is a great subject to study because it will not only give you a number of transferable skills, it will also teach you more about the way people think. An understanding of the human mind is useful in a number of careers. Psychology will complement just about any other subject. Students who study psychology often also study biology, sociology, business, English or physical education. Also students, who want a career in any of the caring services, or in marketing or human resources, will find an understanding of psychology useful.



Possible Career Options Include:

Marketing	Occupational therapy
Business development	Clinical psychology
Accountancy	Nursing
Human resources	Teaching
Forensics/Criminology	Sports psychology