Curriculum Overview – Psychology



Year Group	Unit I	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6
Year	Social influence:	Social influence Language & thought	Language, thought & neuropsychology	Neuropsychology	Psychological problems	GCSE completed
	 Conformity: Asch Obedience: Milgram Vs. Adorno Prosocial behaviour: PIliavin 	 4. Crowd & collective behaviour deindividuation - Zimbardo Vs. Reicher 1. Human Vs. Animal communication - Von Frisch 2. Non-verbal communication 	 3. Non-verbal behaviour: Nature Vs. nurture - Yuki 4. Theories of language & thought - Piaget Vs. Sapir-Whorf 1. Structure & function of nervous system- James-Lange theory of emotion 	 2. Structure & function of neurons Hebb's plasticity theory 3. Function of brain - Localisation & Penfield's interpretive cortex. 4. Introducing neuropsychology - Tulving's gold study 	 Introducing mental health problems Depression - explanations & treatments: Wiles study on CBT/drugs Addiction - explanations & treatments: Kaji's twins 	
Skill(s)	AO1 skills: Clear, logical & concise written descriptions AO2 skills: Application of psychological research & theory to real world scenarios AO3 skills: Use of a PEEL structure to	AO1 skills: Clear, logical & concise written descriptions AO2 skills: Application of psychological research & theory to real world scenarios AO3 skills: Use of a PEEL structure to	AO1 skills: Clear, logical & concise written descriptions AO2 skills: Application of psychological research & theory to real world scenarios AO3 skills: Use of a PEEL structure to evaluate research & theory	AO1 skills: Clear, logical & concise written descriptions AO2 skills: Application of psychological research & theory to real world scenarios AO3 skills: Use of a PEEL structure to	AO1 skills: Clear, logical & concise written descriptions AO2 skills: Application of psychological research & theory to real world scenarios AO3 skills: Use of a PEEL structure to	



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Futures	Police & roles within the criminal justice system	Ethologists	Occupational psychology	Neurologists	Clinical psychology & counselling psychology	

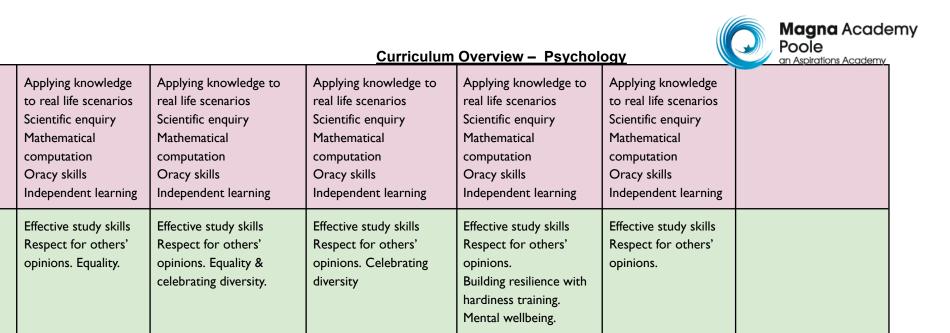
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Year 12	Introducing approaches, I&Ds & research methods in psych. I. Overview of approaches (Wundt & scientific cycle, Behaviouris, Cognitive approach, SLT & Biological approach)	Research methods continued & Psychopathology I. RM sampling, ethical issues, descriptive stats, interpreting data & validity Vs. reliability 2. Psychopathology: Defining abnormality & characteristics of	Social influence 1. Conformity - types, explanations and factors affecting it 2. Obedience - situational Vs. dispositional explanations 3. Resisting social influence, minority	Memory I. Memory models: MSM & WMM, including features of STM & LTM 2. Forgetting: Interference & retrieval failure. 3. EWT: Misleading information & anxiety,	Attachment I. Early attachment behaviour; infant-caregiver interactions, stages of attachment & animal studies of attachment. 2. Theories of attachment: Learning Vs. monotropic theory	Yr 12. & 13 Biopsychology 1. The nervous system; somatic & autonomic (fight or flight), neurons & synaptic transmission 2. The endocrine system & hormonal secretions.

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	 2. Introducing I&Ds (AO1 only!): Gender & cultural bias, Nature-nurture, free will-determinism, reductionism-holis m nomothetic & idiographic approach to research & social sensitivity. 3. Introducing experiments (RM): hypotheses, control, research designs, types of experiments 	phobias, depression & OCD. . Behaviourist explanation & treatment of phobias, Cognitive explanation & treatment of depression and Biological explanation & treatment of OCD	influence & social change processes.	including the cognitive interview	 3. Types of attachment: strange situation & cultural variations. 4. The effects of attachment: maternal deprivation, institutionalisation & Bowlby's internal working model. 	 3. Localisation & lateralisation of function, split brain & plasticity 4. Brain scanning techniques & biological rhythms
Skill(s)	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills	Writing clear and concise outlines. Applying knowledge to real life scenarios Forming PEEL structured evaluations Scientific enquiry Mathematical computation Oracy skills Critical thinking skills



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Futures	Researcher in psychology & academic writers.	Clinical psychology Types of counselling therapy	Politics; informing social policy & journalism. The armed forces.	Police force, political activists & journalism	Social work & educational psychology/teaching	Medicine & neurology

Year 13	Approaches, research	Issues and debates & gender	Gender & stress	Stress	Aggression	A level completed
	methods & I&Ds		I. Psychodynamic	I. Individual	I. Ethological &	
		I. AO3 focus: I&Ds.	approach, SLT &	differences:	evolutionary	
	I. Yr I3 RM -		cultural/social	personality (Type A,	explanations	
	inferential stats,	2. Gender identity:	influences on gender	B, C & hardiness)		
	assessing reliability	sex-role stereotypes &			2. Social-	
	& validity, features	androgyny	2.Stress: physiology of	2. Managing stress	psychological	
	of science		stress & its role in	(drug therapy, SIT &	explanations	
		3. Biological	illness	biofeedback)	(frustration-	
	2. Yr 13	explanations of gender			aggression	
	approaches	- typical & atypical	3. Sources of stress:	3. Coping with stress:	hypothesis, SLT &	
	(psychodynamic &	development, including	Daily hassles, life	gender differences &	deindividuation).	
	humanism)	GID.	changes & workplace	use of social support.		
			stress		3. Institutional	
	3. I&D's RECAP	4. Kolhberg & gender		4. Biological	aggression	
	(AOI) + evaluating	schema theory.	4. Measuring stress	explanations (neural		
	issues with cultural			& hormonal and	4. Media influences	
	& gender bias in			genetic influences)	on aggression.	
	research.					
Skill(s)	Writing clear and concise outlines &	Writing clear and concise outlines & effective	Writing clear and concise outlines &	Writing clear and concise outlines &	Writing clear and concise outlines &	
	effective discussions	discussions	effective discussions	effective discussions	effective discussions	



Counselling psychology

Ethologists

The armed forces

PD/T&E

Futures

Psychotherapists &

counselling therapists

Early years education

Psychiatric Vs.

psychological training