



A Level Psychology

AQA

Interested in studying **A level Psychology**? This document will give you the details about the course including modules, exams and expectations. If there are any questions, please ask.

Entry Requirements

You need to have achieved a grade 6 in maths and a grade 6 in English. Your GCSE APS needs to be 5.5 or above.

Course

The course is a linear course. This means that you sit all of your exams at the end of the two years. The course is assessed with three exam papers, each paper is two hours long and is worth 96 marks.

Topics

Year 12 topics	Year 13 topics
Social influence Memory Attachment Clinical Psychology and Mental Health Approaches Biopsychology Research methods	Issues and debates Research methods Relationships Schizophrenia Forensic Psychology

Statistical tests form part of research methods at A level in year 13.

Exams

Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3
Introductory Topics in Psychology	Psychology in Context	Issues and Options in Psychology

All exams contain research methods questions and extended writing/essay questions. The course is synoptic which means that you will be assessed on all content at the end of the two years.

University Courses and Careers

Learning about human behaviour can also help to build your communication skills and improve your teamwork and leadership skills. People with skills in psychology are sought after in business, management, teaching, research, social work and careers in medicine and healthcare. You do not need to study psychology at A-level for any particular degree, even for psychology (though it obviously helps!)

We look forward to teaching you Psychology at Robert Clack next year.