

## Name of Subject

A-Level Psychology

## Which Examination Specification is Studied for this Course?

AQA

## Why Should I Study this Course?

Psychology is an exciting subject that explores the human mind and behaviour. It covers a variety of interesting topics, such as how we're influenced by others, how memory works, how the brain functions, and why we develop phobias. This course helps build important skills in critical thinking, scientific analysis, and evaluation

## Who is Suitable to Study this Course?

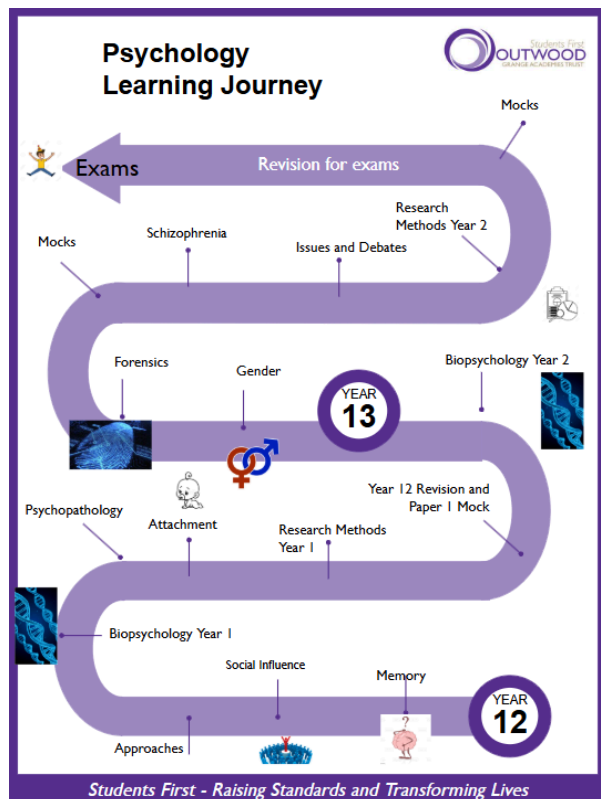
If you have a desire to understand human behaviour, the mind and how it works, this course is for you. You need to be interested in science, and have mathematical knowledge for the research methods section. This can lead to various courses in university and paths in lots of exciting careers.

## What are the Qualification Requirements for this Course?

You need to have Grade 5 in English, Maths and Science to study A-Level Psychology with a minimum of five Grade 5 GCSEs overall.

## How is this Course Delivered?

The course is taught over 5 hours per week by Mr Proctor. It is expected that you work a similar amount of time within independent study.



## How is this Course Assessed?

The course is assessed through three exams, each two hours long and 96 marks in total. There are multiple choice, short and long answer questions on each paper and research methods and mathematical content is assessed across all the papers. A minimum of 25% of the overall assessment will assess skills in relation to research methods and a minimum of 10% will assess mathematical skills.

- Paper 1: Social influence, Memory, Attachment, Psychopathology (each 24 marks)
- Paper 2: Approaches in psychology (24), biopsychology (24), research methods (48)
- Paper 3: Issues and debates, gender, schizophrenia, forensic psychology (each 24 marks)

**What is our Recommended Subject Reading List to Support your Study?**

- Flanagan, C, Berry, D, Jarvis, M, Liddle, R (2020) AQA Psychology for A Level Year 1 & AS Student Book (2nd Edition). Cheltenham: Illuminate Publishing Ltd
- Flanagan, C, Berry, D, Jarvis, M, Liddle, R (2016) AQA Psychology for A Level Year 2 Student Book. Cheltenham: Illuminate Publishing Ltd
- Cardwell, M & Flanagan, C (2018) Psychology A Level Year 1 and AS The complete companion student book (5th edition). Oxford: OUP
- Cardwell, M & Flanagan, C (2019) Psychology A Level Year 2 The complete companion student book (5th edition). Oxford: OUP