

A Level Psychology

Part A - Bridging Work Task

This is a fantastic opportunity to expand your understanding of Psychology as you prepare for enrolment and starting at Franklin in September.

Please complete the work and bring a copy to your enrolment, either printed or electronically.

The work will take around **2 hours**, so plan your time to best suit you.

How do I complete and submit my task?	<p>Complete the tasks on paper/handwritten or digitally and bring a copy either paper or electronically to your enrolment appointment, also take this to your first lesson in September.</p> <p>If you did not attend the Taster Day, don't worry – this isn't essential for completing the work, just make sure you bring it to your enrolment appointment.</p>
Introduction to your Bridging Task	<p>This task will give you an introduction to the first topics you can expect to study in September.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Psychological approaches that aim to answer questions such as:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ How do we explain human behaviour?○ Are we a product of nature or nurture?○ Is there a universal way of explaining behaviour?
Task details	<p>Read the information on the links provided to complete the questions about the Behaviourist Approach and Social Learning Theory.</p>

Resources to help you with the Bridging Task	<p>Approaches booklet</p>
Extension Tasks	
Extension Tasks to stretch and challenge you	<p>If you have completed the above to the best of your ability, feel free to try this extension task (<i>this is optional</i>):</p> <p>Task 1 - Read the following article on the case of John Duffy: https://www.crimeandinvestigation.co.uk/article/john-duffy-and-david-mulcahy-the-railway-rapists</p>

	<p>Task 2: Based on the approaches you have looked at so far in task 2, explain why John Duffy committed his crimes. Are there any other plausible explanations you can offer?</p>
<p>Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)</p>	<p>You might enrol on these online courses and complete the following to push you a little further (this is optional):</p> <p>Learning, knowledge and human development - https://www.mooc-list.com/course/learning-knowledge-and-human-development-coursera</p> <p>Critical thinking for the informative age - https://www.mooc-list.com/course/mindware-critical-thinking-information-age-coursera#google_vignette</p> <p>Mental health and illness https://www.coursera.org/learn/mental-health</p>

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Part B – Preparing for Studying at Franklin

A fantastic opportunity to widen your understanding of the course.

<p>Examining Board and Specification</p>	<p>The exam board for A level Psychology is AQA</p> <p>We cover the following topics: Approaches, Psychopathology, Memory, Social Influence, Attachment and Research Methods. In year 2, you will study Biopsychology, Issues and Debates, Relationships, Eating Behaviours and Forensic Psychology.</p> <p>Studying this course will give you a wide range of skills: Application, Evaluation, Analysis, Extended writing, Organisation, Independence, Critical thinking, Problem-solving, Communication, Empathy and an Awareness of human behaviour.</p> <p>Progression after this course: Career opportunities after studying A level Psychology include Chartered psychologist, Psychotherapist, Social Worker, Counsellor, Educational therapy, educational psychology, social work within education, Teaching, Research careers in government or non-profit organisations, Human</p>
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Preparing for the course	<p>Here are some helpful sources of information if you would like further information about the subject:</p> <p>Websites</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• AQA• Tutor2u• Simply Psychology• PsychBoost <p>Books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 1 Textbook• Year 2 Textbook <p>(Please note, there is no obligation to purchase these books)</p> <p>Digital Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• You will also be given access to the online textbooks for A level Psychology