



# Psychology

## AQA

### Year 12

Ever wonder if prison really does change criminal behaviour? Or why some people conform? Or perhaps if the experiences you had before the age of 5 really do shape the person you are today? A level Psychology will give you an understanding of the way people think and why people behave in certain ways.

You will learn a variety of skills including analytical thinking, improved communication and problem solving.

This is a 2 year linear A level which will be assessed by three two hour exams at the end of Year 13.

In Year 12 you will cover the following topics;

- Social Influence
- Memory
- Attachment
- Approaches in Psychology
- Psychopathology
- Research methods

### Year 13

In Year 13 you will study;

- Biopsychology
- Research methods
- Issues and debates in Psychology
- Relationships
- Forensic Psychology
- Schizophrenia

Students will also undertake experimental work related to Psychology; applying the work from the research methods topic.

Students will also visit Freud's house and attend a conference of the course.

### Links Well With:

Psychology links well with Biology, English, Maths, History, Business Studies, Philosophy and Ethics, PE and Geography.

### Progression Routes:

A level Psychology will give you an understanding of the way people think and why people behave in certain ways. You will learn a variety of skills including analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving and many more that will prepare you for an exciting future with the possibility of a range of fantastic careers. According to [bestcourse4me.com](http://bestcourse4me.com), the top seven degrees taken by students who have an A Level in Psychology include: Psychology, English, Sociology, Business Studies, Teaching, Sport, Exercise Science and Law.

### Entry Requirements:

GCSE Grade 6 in both Combined Sciences or at least one Grade 6 in GCSE Single Science.  
 GCSE Grade 6 English and Grade 5 Maths are also required.