Specification

Induction List

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- 5. Expectancies + standards
- 6. Placements + Timetabling
- 7. Resources + Summer task

1. Careers



https://www.prospects.ac.uk/job-profiles



2. Extra Curricular



Any trips/visits/events planned are COVID dependant + conditional to ATLs **Future Heroes** is a careers expo that displays the wide range of different career options available within the health and social care sectors.

This is a rare chance to discover careers in the health and social care sectors through interactive, inspirational activities and demonstrations.

Professionals working within the broad spectrum of careers available, so will be able to hear first hand from the people doing the jobs, what it takes to become a Health and Social Care Hero.



2. Extra Curricular

eventbrite

<u>Psychology Talks + Conferences</u>

These used to be held in person, so when we are able to, we options to arrange trips to a number of different places,

including:

- London
 - Paris
- New York
 - Berlin
 - Krakow
 - Vienna



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Learning objectives:

3. Task for today

TASK:

You have 6 scenarios.

Based on the information you have been given, you must analyse the reasons for their crimes.

CHALLENGE: Can you divide the reasons into biological + psychological ones?

4. Overview of course - AS

Your AS Level course (Year 12 only) comprises of 6 topics.

Paper	Time	Marks	Topics
Paper 1	1 hour 30 minutes	72	Social Influence
			Memory
			Attachment
Paper 2	1 hour 30 minutes	72	Approaches
			Psychopathology
			Research Methods



4. Overview of course - A Level

Your A Level course (Year 13 only) comprises of 11 topics.

Paper	Time	Marks	Topics
Paper 1	2 hours	96	Social Influence
			Memory
			Attachment
			Psychopathology
Paper 2	2 hours	96	Approaches
			Biopsychology
			Research Methods
Paper 3	2 hours	96	Issues & Debates
			Option 1: Schizophrenia
			Option 2: Eating Behaviour/Stress
			Option 3: Addiction/Stress



Learning objectives:

4. Grading

In Year 12, you will do the AS level exam at the end of the year.

This will help us assess where you are at in terms of progress, get you prepared for the Year 13 and have some practice with the exams.

Whilst there are no entry requirements for Year 13, if you are not on target or are finding the content difficult, it is at this point that we would discuss next steps and whether Year 13 is suitable for you.

The AS exam **does not** count towards the final grade if you sit the A2 (full A Level) exams at the end of Year 13.

5. Expectancies + Standards

What do I expect from you as a student?

Work to the best of your ability
Be organised + Stay focused in class
Be proactive (Email your teacher, ask questions..)
Meet the deadlines
Work for 1hour per class hour outside of lesson time*
Read around your subject
Be prepared every lesson with any home/prep work set (no work = no entrance to lesson)

What can you expect from me as your teacher?

Working hard for you + meeting your efforts

Consistent feedback, assessment points for review + reflection

Psychological Expertise

To challenge, guide and motivate you to succeed



Learning objectives:

5. Expectancies + Standards

What do you mean by "standards"?

The standard of work is different in KS5.

At GCSE Level, you are "spoon-fed" a lot of the answers and work required from you.

This will NOT happen in your A Levels + Vocational courses.

Teachers expect you to be independent and proactive in your work.

This means to take on-board what your teachers are telling you, work outside of school/class and come to *them* if you have any issues/concerns/questions.

Your teachers will not chase you if you are not meeting the basic standards for the course. You will simply be asked to leave.

6. Placements + Timetabling

Placement hours are not compulsory for this course, however, the more experience you can get, the better it will be for your understanding of content and to prepare you for a career in this area (or any related scientific/psychological field).

Where could I get experience?

Because of the nature of the work in a psychology-related job, places for experience are limited, competitive and would need to be voluntary. Workplaces may also ask for a clear DBS before you begin to volunteer with them.

You could try:

<u>Samaritans: Listener, Fundraising, Events, Marketing etc.</u>
<u>BPS: Find placements from the registered professionals</u>
<u>Volunteering in the Community + Mental Health</u>



Learning objectives:

7. Resources + Summer Task





Textbooks

<u>Stationary</u>

- Folder
- Dividers
- Highlighters
- Green, Red, Black pens
 - Ruler + Pencils
 - Calculator

Summer task

<u>Link to your specification for AQA A Level Psychology</u>

Please make sure you bring a hard (printed) copy of this to EVERY lesson.



Learning objectives:

Books, apps & podcasts for Psychology – AS & A2

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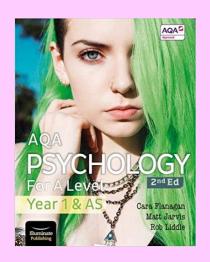
Books 1 & 2 – Psychology Year 12 (GHG) and Year 13 (PHG) Textbooks

AQA Psychology for A Level Year 1 & AS - Student Book Paperback - 7 May 2020 by Cara Flanagan (Author), Dave Berry (Author)

Paperback: 240 pages
Publisher: Illuminate
Publishing 2nd Edition (7 May

2020)

Language: English ISBN-10: 1912820420 ISBN-13: 978-1912820429



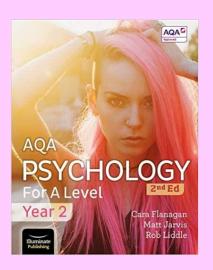
AQA Psychology for A Level Year 2 - Student Book Paperback - 21 Sept 2020 by Cara Flanagan (Author), Dave Berry (Author),

Paperback: 416 pages

Publisher: Illuminate Publishing;

2nd Edition (21 Sept 2020)

Language: English ISBN-10: 1912820463 ISBN-13: 978-1912820467



These books are endorsed by AQA and are very commonly used amongst schools studying AQA Psychology. They are very student-friendly, with a good layout and easy to read. The structure and layout of the book is very easy to use and is the same throughout the book, to help you with revision. There are looks of good practice questions and 'apply it' questions, helping you with AO2 in the course.

However, there isn't a great amount of detail, especially in evaluation. The evaluative points in this aren't enough to award many marks in the exam, but are a good starting point. There are lots of little errors littered in the book, which isn't promising when you consider that it's endorsed by the exam board!

A good starting point – good for revision – needs further reading on top of this.





Learning objectives:

Books 3 & 4 – Psychology – Complete Companions – Dog & Cat books – 5th Edition

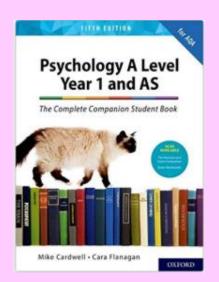
The Complete Companions for AQA A Level Psychology 5th Edition: 16-18: The Complete Companions: A Level Year 1 and AS Psychology Student Book 5th Edition Paperback – 6 Sep 2018 by Mike Cardwell (Author), Cara Flanagan (Author)

Paperback: 256 pages

Publisher: OUP Oxford; 5th edition (6

Sept. 2018)

Language: English **ISBN-10:** 0198436327 **ISBN-13:** 978-0198436324



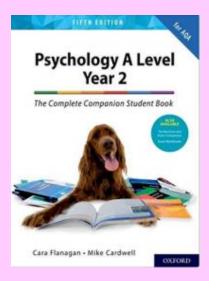
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by <u>Cara Flanagan</u> (Author), <u>Mike</u> <u>Cardwell</u> (Author)

Paperback: 360 pages

Publisher: OUP Oxford; 5th edition

(24 Jan. 2019) Language: English ISBN-10: 0198436335 ISBN-13: 978-0198436331



Excellent books for more detail in AO1 & AO3. AO3 is much better explained. Same layout as the GHG & PHG books, as they're written by the same person (she originally had a fall-out with the publisher for these books so branched off to start her own publishing company, hence the Illuminate books!). Much better textbooks for learning content, as well as revising, even if most of the context and layout is the same as the Illuminate ones. I use these to complement my teaching and fill power point resources in class. They also have a set of revision guides that work well with these, too.





Learning objectives:

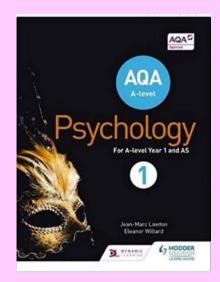
Books 5 & 6 – Psychology – Complete Revision & Practice and Essential Maths Skills

AQA Psychology for A Level Book 1 Paperback – 27 Mar 2015 by <u>Jean-Marc</u> <u>Lawton</u> (Author), <u>Eleanor</u> Willard (Author)

Paperback: 352 pages
Publisher: Hodder Education;

UK ed. edition (27 Mar. 2015)

Language: English **ISBN-10:** 1471834883 **ISBN-13:** 978-1471834882



AQA Psychology for A Level Book 2 (AQA A Level Psychology) Paperback – 26 Jun 2015 by <u>Jean-Marc</u> <u>Lawton</u> (Author), <u>Eleanor</u> <u>Willard</u> (Author)

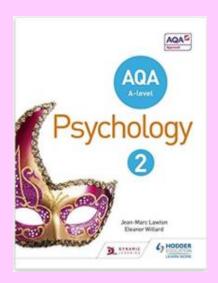
Paperback: 400 pages **Publisher:** Hodder Education; UK ed. edition (29 May 2015)

Language: English ISBN-10: 1471835375 ISBN-13: 978-1471835377

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27.6 cm

Again, much better books for detail and wording of topics. Better use of vocabulary to explain concepts and evaluative points. Variety of evaluation points and lots of exam practice throughout a topic, as well as at the end of the topic. Endorsed by AQA, a much better textbook to learn from, but not necessarily condensed enough for a revision guide. Supplements teaching very well for the S + C tasks, or students aiming higher. Slightly more expensive out of the bunch so far, and haven't come across any revision guides as yet, but given that the content is the same, can be used alongside any revision guides.







Learning objectives:

Books 7 & 8 – Psychology – Complete Revision & Practice and Essential Maths Skills

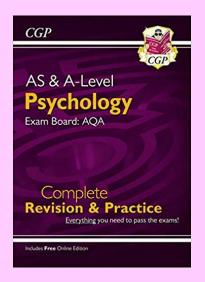
AS and A-Level Psychology: AQA Complete Revision & Practice with Online Edition (CGP A-Level Psychology) Paperback – 28 May 2015 by CGP Books (Author)

Paperback: 264 pages

Publisher: Coordination Group Publications Ltd (CGP) (28 May

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Language: English **ISBN-10:** 1782943307 **ISBN-13:** 978-1782943303



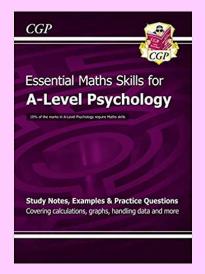
A-Level Psychology: Essential Maths Skills (CGP A-Level Psychology) Paperback – 12 Aug 2015 by CGP Books (Author, Editor)

Paperback: 76 pages

Publisher: Coordination Group Publications Ltd (CGP) (12 Aug.

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Revise AQA A Level Psychology Revision Guide and Workbook: with FREE online edition (REVISE AS/A level AQA Psychology) Paperback – 27 Jul 2016

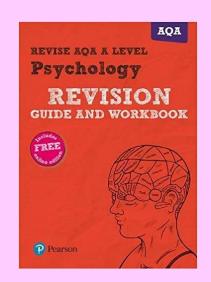
by <u>Sarah Middleton</u> (Author), <u>Susan</u> <u>Harty</u> (Author), <u>Ms Anna</u> <u>Cave</u> (Author), <u>Sally White</u> (Author)

Paperback

Publisher: Pearson Education (28

Feb. 2017)

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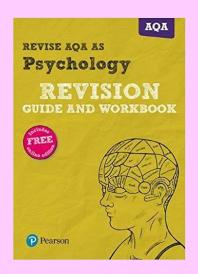
REVISE AQA AS level Psychology Revision Guide and Workbook (REVISE AS/A level AQA Psychology) Paperback – 6 Oct 2016 by <u>Sarah Middleton</u> (Author), <u>Ms</u> <u>Anna Cave</u> (Author), <u>Susan</u> <u>Harty</u> (Author)

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Learning objectives:

Apps

1.3D Brain

This free psychology app examines all 29 of the areas within the human brain, and how each area functions. It also includes useful information on brain disorders and current research studies related to the world of mental health.

This is a fantastic app for psychology majors who are interested in working in psychiatry – and for anyone wanting to learn more about the unique complexities of the brain.

Platform(s): Apple iOS, Android

2. APA Journals

As the official app produced by the American Psychological Association, APA Journals is a research-heavy portal that can be a top-tier resource for psychology majors. It allows users to access a variety of relevant psychology journals, which can be a big help to students doing research in their coursework.

Users can search through thousands of journal articles and read summaries of these research papers or get the full text versions.

Platform(s): Apple iOS, Android

3. PsycExplorer

As its name suggests, this psychology app lets users explore the ins-and-outs of psychology. It offers a bridge to the latest news, research, and other current trends within the field through daily updates.

Developed by a psychology professor, this app is perfect for psych majors because of the academic approach it takes in presenting content.

Platform(s): Apple iOS

4. Intro to Psychology Mastery

Are you an undergrad majoring in psychology? This mobile app is right up your alley. It serves as a thorough introduction to all the basic and most important concepts of psychology.

With more than 2,500 practice questions and tons of flash cards with key terms, this app can give you a solid grasp of your field of study within a short amount of time. And it's designed for learners who aren't familiar with all those terms that can be hard to pronounce.

Platform(s): Apple iOS, Google Android



Learning objectives:

5. Psych Guide

Psych Guide is a psychology app that is a nice free tool for psychology students and even those just getting their feet wet as professionals in the field.

Gain access to helpful articles and compelling audio from Sigmund Freud and other well-known professionals in this industry.

Platform(s): Apple iOS, Google Android

6. iCouch CBT

This app can be used for those seeking some psychological treatment or those studying the field. It focuses on the methods of CBT, better known as cognitive behavioral therapy. Many professionals use CBT as a way of helping patients deal with past memories and to help them change their behaviors to lead a more positive life.

Platform(s): Apple iOS

7. Insight Timer

This free meditation app can benefit both users wishing to practice meditation and those studying the concepts of it.

Access thousands of guided meditation sessions. Listen to podcasts and other recordings about meditation and other mental health techniques that are effective for the mind. By diving into an app geared toward patients of psychologists, you can learn from the experts about potential therapies you may be studying or even using in the future to treat those in need of them.

Platform(s): Apple iOS, Android

Seneca Learning

AQA GHG & PHG Textbooks

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Learning objectives:



Podcasts

Player.fm – This has an AMAZING list of podcasts that you can listen to for all sorts of topics that you are interested in. Some topics that are great for psychology (and ones that I'm subscribed to):

- TED Talks Daily
- This Week in Tech
- Planet Money
- · Daily Boost
- Stuff You Missed in History Class
- Note to Self
- TFD Radio Hour

- Reply All
- Stuff to Blow Your Mind
- Criminal
- The Memory Palace
- Stuff You Should Know
- How Did This Get Made?
- Science Friday

There are also lots of other great podcasts directly from other sites:

- 1. BPS (British Psychological Society) A Clickable List of Psych Podcasts
- 2. Apple Podcasts Super-Psych: Psychology of Superheroes
- 3. <u>Super Psychology: A podcast by the creators of Tutor2u. Simple, easy to listen to podcasts discussing lots of areas in psychology, all related to our AQA spec</u>



Have a spare minute?
Done all of your work?
Need a brain break?
At the gym?

In the shower?

In the car?

LISTEN TO A PODCAST!



Learning objectives:

End & send Task

Expectations

- Ensure you have completed all tasks
- √ Complete any notes
- ✓ Complete ending task
- ✓ Email/Teamsmessage theteacher with any Qs