

Sixth Form Options Psychology A Level Course - AQA



What is Psychology?

- Psychology is the scientific study of the human mind, behaviour and its influences.
- This includes feelings and thoughts, as well as actions that we are unaware of. Psychology covers a wide range of topics and requires multiple skills.



"What would I be studying?"

There are many different topics that you would cover over two years, these include:

- Social Influence
- Memory
- Attachment
- Psychopathology

- Approaches in Psychology
- Biopsychology
- Research Methods

- Schizophrenia
- Gender
- ForensicPsychology

https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/a-level/psychology-7182/specification/specification-at-a-glance



"What kind of subject will this be?"

- **Psychology is a mix of many different subjects,** pulling together the theoretical concepts and essay writing of English and history, with the scientific method and the use of statistics.
- It is typically split between "social" psychology (such as gender, attachment and social influence) and "scientific" psychology (such as biopsychology, memory and Schizophrenia.

"Am I suited to this course?"

To enjoy and make progress in psychology, this course is more suited to someone who:

- is interested in how people behave
- enjoys Science, Maths and English
- is inquisitive, and likes to analyse wider concepts
- prefers exams to coursework



St George's School "What do psychology lessons look like?"













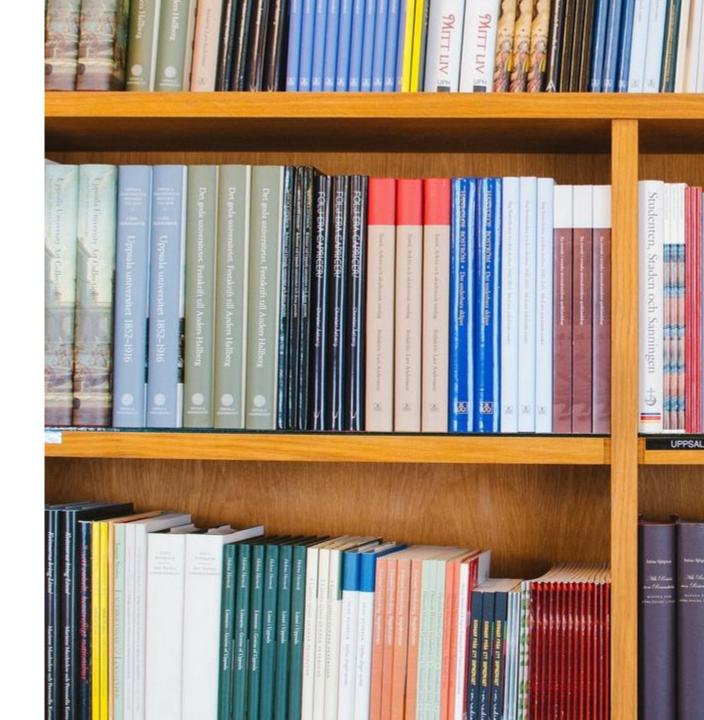
"What can St George's offer?"

- Lab-based Psychology lessons
- Subject specialist Psychology and Science teachers
- Hard copy and digital copies of textbooks approved by the exam board
- Extensive feedback on essay writing
- Skills building lessons embedded within content



"How will I be assessed?"

- At St Georges we use the AQA exam board.
- At the end of year 13 you will sit three separate papers, lasting 2 hours each.
- There is NO coursework.





"What exam results do I need?"

- A minimum of five full GCSEs or equivalent at grades 9–5.
- which would include English
 (Language or Literature) grade
 6 or above, Mathematics grade
 6 or above and Combined
 Science: Trilogy grade 6/6 (a
 double award) or above (or a 6
 in biology).





"Who will be teaching me?"



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