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# A-level PSYCHOLOGY

## Paper 1 Introductory topics in psychology

Friday 17 May 2024

Morning

Time allowed: 2 hours

### Materials

For this paper you may use:

- a calculator.

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions. You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do **not** write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 96.
- Questions should be answered in continuous prose. You will be assessed on your ability to:
  - use good English
  - organise information clearly
  - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

For Examiner's Use	
Section	Mark
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**Section A****Social influence**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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Outline **one** ethical issue that has arisen in social influence research. Refer to **one or more** social influence studies in your answer.

**[4 marks]**


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Later that day, the headteacher calls each of the boys in the group to his office one-by-one, including Charlie.

Use your knowledge of obedience to explain the boys' behaviour.

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**[8 marks]**

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**Section B****Memory**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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A researcher wanted to test if there is a relationship between the passage of time and recall of nonsense words. They gave 30 participants 40 nonsense words to learn, then tested recall at fixed intervals over several weeks. The nonsense words were standardised to ensure they were of similar difficulty and length.

When writing up the investigation, the researcher represented their data on a scattergram.

Briefly explain how the use of inferential statistics would improve this investigation.

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Suggest an appropriate statistical test to improve this investigation. With reference to the study, outline **two** reasons for your choice of test.

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Two types of long-term memory are semantic and episodic.

Outline **two** ways in which episodic memories are different from semantic memories.

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Briefly describe retrieval failure as an explanation of forgetting. Outline **one** limitation of this explanation.

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**Section C****Attachment**

Answer **all** questions in this section.

**1 0** Zara's baby, Sunta, is a few weeks old.

The rest of the family laugh along as Zara sticks her tongue out at Sunta and Sunta does the same thing back to her.

Which feature of caregiver-infant interaction does this example illustrate?

**[1 mark]**

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**1 1** The rest of the family also think it's cute when Zara rocks Sunta to sleep and their heads seem to move in time with one another.

Which feature of caregiver-infant interaction does this example illustrate?

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## Section D

## Psychopathology

Answer **all** questions in this section.Only **two** answers for each multiple-choice question are allowed.

For each question completely fill in the circle alongside the appropriate answer.

CORRECT METHOD



WRONG METHODS



If you want to change your answer you must cross out your original answer as shown.

If you wish to return to an answer previously crossed out, ring the answer you now wish to select as shown.

**1 4**Which **two** of the following are emotional characteristics of obsessive-compulsive disorder?Shade **two** boxes only.**[2 marks]****A** Hypervigilance☐**B** Insight into excessive anxiety☐**C** Low mood☐**D** Obsessive thoughts☐**E** Self-loathing☐

Ken visited his friend, Jules, who has a large dog called Prince. Prince ran in from the garden, jumped at Ken and knocked him down, breaking his arm. Ken now has a fear of dogs and has avoided all dogs ever since.

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