

Psychology KS5 Learning Journey



Top 3 tips for parents and carers during KS5

- ✓ Be familiar with the [AQA Specification](#).
- ✓ Encourage preparation for three-weekly timed assessments.
- ✓ Download news apps and read daily to keep up with current affairs [BBC News](#).



What's your Plan A?

HE: Psychology, Counselling, Law, Criminology, Social Policy, Teaching
 Apprenticeship: Support worker, counsellor, advice worker
 Career: Psychologist, psychiatrist, police officer, counsellor, probation service, teacher, researcher, business and marketing



Online learning during KS5

[Seneca Learning](#)
[Tutor2U](#)
[Holah](#)
[BPS](#)
[Joseph Rowntree Foundation](#)



PPE preparation for KS5

Attend weekly revision sessions, follow the published weekly revision schedule, complete timed questions, use past papers and mark schemes, complete content revision for every strand on PLC. Use GCSE Bitesize to practice maths skills



Study skills for KS5

Weekly timed exam practise. Weekly review of AQA mark schemes.

Knowledge, skills and understanding

Approaches in Psychology
 Behaviourist, biological, social learning theory, cognitive, humanistic and psychodynamic

Year 12

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Issues and Debates
 Nature/Nurture, Reductionism-Holism, Gender Bias, Culture Bias, Free-Will/Determinism

Social Influence:
 Studies and explanations of conformity, obedience and social change

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Psychopathology
 Definitions, characteristics, explanations and treatments for OCD, depression and phobias

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Memory
 Short and long-term memory stores, models of memory, eyewitness testimony

Research Methods
 Experiments, observations, self-reports, correlations, hypotheses, experimental design, sampling methods and ethics

Biopsychology
 Nervous system, endocrine system and synaptic transmission

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Attachment
 Theories, models, animal research, Romanian orphanages studies, cross-cultural variations

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Aggression
 Biological, psychological and ethological explanations

Relationships
 Research into formation, breakdown, parasocial and virtual relationships

Schizophrenia
 Characteristics, reliability and validity issues, biological and psychological explanations and treatments

Biopsychology
 Localisation of function, lateralisation, brain plasticity and biological rhythms

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Research Methods Part 2
 Data analysis, mathematical content, reliability and validity, features of science