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A-Level Psychology: Revision Checklist for Introduction to Psychology: Paper One

RAG your own understanding on each of the topics for Paper 1. Prioritize your revision around the topics you have RAGGED under RED.

Social Influence	©	(2)	8
How and why we conform (AO1 and AO3)			
Conformity research (Asch AO1 and AO3)			
Conformity research (Zimbardo AO1 and AO3)			
Obedience research (Milgram AO1 and AO3)			
Explanations for obedience (social, situational AO1 and AO3)			
Explanations for obedience (dispositional – Adorno - AO1 and AO3)			
Independent behaviour (conformity AO1 and AO3)			
Independent behaviour (obedience AO1 and AO3)			
Independent behaviour (locus of control AO1 and AO3)			
Minority influence (Moscovici AO1 and AO3 plus conditions for yielding)			
Social changes (steps to social change AO1 and AO3)			



Memory	©	(2)	8
Capacity, duration and encoding (STM AO1 and AO3)			
Capacity, duration and encoding (LTM AO1 and AO3)			
Types of LTM (AO1 and AO3)			
Multi store model of memory (AO1 and AO3)			
Working memory model (AO1 and AO3)			
Explanations for forgetting (interference AO1 and AO3)			
Explanations for forgetting (retrieval failure AO1 and AO3)			
Eye witness testimony (post event information AO1 and AO3)			
Eye witness testimony (anxiety AO1 and AO3)			
The cognitive interview (AO1 and AO3)			



Attachment	©	@	8
Caregiver infant interactions (AO1 and AO3)			
Schaffer's stages of attachment (AO1 and AO3)			
Animal studies (Lorenz's ducks and Harlow's Monkeys AO1 and AO3)			
Evolutionary theory of attachment (Bowlby AO1 and AO3)			
Learning theory of attachment (Schaffer and Emerson AO1 and AO3)			
The Strange situation (Ainsworth AO1 and AO3)			
Cross cultural variations (AO1 and AO3)			
Bowlby's theory of maternal deprivation (AO1 and AO3)			
Institutionalisation (AO1 and AO3)			
Effects of early attachments on adult relationships (AO1 and AO3)			



Psychopathology	©	@	8
Defining abnormality (AO1 and AO3)			
Phobias (behavioural, emotional and cognitive factors)			
Depression (behavioural, emotional and cognitive factors)			
Obsessive compulsive disorder (behavioural, emotional and cognitive factors)			
Behavioural explanation of phobias (AO1 and AO3)			
Behavioural treatments of phobias (AO1 and AO3)			
Cognitive explanation of depression (AO1 and AO3)			
Cognitive treatments of depression (AO1 and AO3)			
Biological explanation of OCD (AO1 and AO3)			
Biological treatments of OCD (AO1 and AO3)			



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A-Level Psychology: Revision Checklist for Psychology in Context: Paper Two

RAG your own understanding on each of the topics for Paper 2. Prioritize your revision around the topics you have RAGGED under RED.

Approaches	<u> </u>	(2)	8
Origins of Psychology (Wundt) (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychodynamic approach (AO1 and AO3)			
Learning approach: Behaviourism (AO1 and AO3)			
Humanist approach (AO1 and AO3)			
Cognitive approach (AO1 and AO3)			
Learning approach: Social Learning (AO1 and AO3) Theory			
Biological approach (AO1 and AO3)			
Comparison of approaches			



Bio-psychology	©	©	8
The Human Nervous system			
The Endocrine system			
Neurons			
Synaptic transmission			
Localisation (AO1 and AO3)			
Plasticity (AO1 and AO3)			
Methods of investigating the brain (AO1 and AO3)			
Circadian rhythms (AO1 and AO3)			
Ultradian and infradian rhythms (AO1 and AO3)			
Endogenous pacemakers and exogenous zietgeibers (AO1 and AO3)			



Research methods	©	(2)	8
Experimental methods			
Control of variables			
Experimental design			
Types of experiments			
Sampling			
Ethical issues			
Pilot studies			
Observational techniques			
Observational design			
Self-report techniques			
Self-report design			
Correlations			
Types of data			
Descriptive statistics			
Graphs			
Mathematical content			
Statistical testing			
Peer review and Psychology and the economy			



Case studies		
Content analysis		
Reliability		
Types of Validity		
Choosing a statistical test		
Probability and significance		
Parametric tests of difference- Unrelated and related T tests		
Tests of correlation- Spearman's and Pearson's		
Test of Association - Chi-squared		
Reporting psychological investigations		
Features of science		



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A-Level Psychology: Revision Checklist for Issues and Option in Psychology: Paper three

RAG your own understanding on each of the topics for Paper 3. Prioritize your revision around the topics you have RAGGED under RED.

Issues and debates	©	(2)	8
Gender bias			
Cultural bias			
Determinism vs Free will			
Nature vs nurture			
Holism vs reductionism			
Ideographic vs nomothetic			
Ethical implications of research studies and theories			



Stress	©	@	8
Bodies response to stress – GAS (AO1 and AO3)			
Bodies response to stress – SAM and HPA (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress and the immune system (AO1 and AO3)			
Daily hassles (AO1 and AO3)			
Life changes (AO1 and AO3)			
Workplace stress (AO1 and AO3)			
Methods of measuring stress (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress and personality: Type A, B and C (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress and personality: the Hardy Personality (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress treatments: Physiological: BZs and BBs (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress treatments: Psychological : SIT (AO1 and AO3)			
Stress treatments: Psychological: Biofeedback (AO1 and AO3)			
Gender differences in stress (AO1 and AO3)			
Social support (AO1 and AO3)			



Forensics	©	(2)	8
Defining and measuring crime (AO1 and AO3)			
Offender profiling: The Bottom-up approach (AO1 and AO3)			
Biological explanations - Atavistic Form (AO1 and AO3)			
Biological explanations - Genetic and neural explanations (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychological explanations - Eysenck's theory (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychological explanations - Cognitive explanations (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychological explanations- Differential Association Theory (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychological explanations- Psychodynamic explanations (AO1 and AO3)			
Dealing with offending behaviour - custodial sentencing (AO1 and AO3)			
Dealing with offending behaviour - Behaviour modification (AO1 and AO3)			
Dealing with offending behaviour - Anger management (AO1 and AO3)			
Dealing with offending behaviour - Restorative justice (AO1 and AO3)			



Gender	©	©	8
Sex and Gender			
Androgyny and the BSRI (AO1 and AO3)			
Chromosomes and Hormones (AO1 and AO3)			
Atypical Sex Development (Turners and Kleinfelters) (AO1 and AO3)			
Kohlberg's Theory of Gender Development (AO1 and AO3)			
Gender Schema Theory of Gender Development (AO1 and AO3)			
Psychodynamic Explanation Of Gender Development (AO1 and AO3)			
SLT Explanation Of Gender Development (AO1 and AO3)			
Media and Culture (AO1 and AO3)			
Gender Identity Disorder (AO1 and AO3)			