

KS5 Subject: **Psychology**

Objectives for Transition Tasks:

- To start to develop expected 6th form study skills, including independence
- To culture an interest and passion for your chosen subject through enquiry
- To learn core concepts of the subject to use in your studies

Watch:

Stanford Prison Study

12 Angry Men

The experimenter

Dangerous method

The notebook



Read:

The Nature vs Nurture debate:

<https://www.verywellmind.com/what-is-nature-versus-nurture-2795392>

The Lucifer effect (Zimbardo)

Opening Skinner's box (Lauren Slater)

How the mind works (Steven Pinker)

The man who mistook his wife for a hat (Oliver Sacks)

Phantoms in the brain (V S Ramachandran)



Independent Task (to be submitted):

Pick one or more of the following activities:

1. Pick a psychological study to research

Include the aim of the research, the procedure, the findings, criticisms of their study and what conclusions they made from the research.

2. Find some psychology in the news.

Find an article from the news that features an area of psychology. Write a report about this article including any relevant studies and psychological topics within it.

3. Research a famous psychologist

What area of psychology did they believe in? What studies did they conduct? What strengths and weaknesses are made of their work?

We don't mind what format you do this in, for example, PowerPoint, poster, notes, mind map etc. as long as you can talk about it to the rest of the class in September.

The textbook you will need to buy for Year 12 is AQA Psychology for A Level Year 1 & AS Student Book:

2nd Ed Paperback – 7 May 2020 by C Flanagan, M Jarvis, R Liddle.



We have also included some reading and films (see boxes on the left) if you want to do some extra preparation for September.



Aim Higher Task:

Choose a TED talk about an area of Psychology and write a review of it

<https://www.ted.com/topics/psychology>

Write it for someone who knows nothing about Psychology so ensure you have explained key terminology.

Challenge - Can you include extra information about the area of Psychology the talk links to?



DEADLINE FOR TRANSITION TASK: Please bring to your first lesson in September.