



Your Guide to Year 9 Psychology

Assessment Criteria

Every half term students are assessed using national curriculum levels 1-9. Each assessment is marked using AQA exam question mark schemes which can be found at;

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/gcse/psychology-4180/past-papers-and-mark-schemes>

And generic grade boundaries used L8/9 = 90%, L7=80%, L5/6=70% etc.

Mock Examinations are full past papers, compiling of questions sourced directly from the AQA website previous, and possibility from other exam boards, until approved example papers for the new specification are published. The grade boundaries which were published for each specific paper can be found at;

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/exams-administration/results-days/grade-boundaries-and-ums>

Expectations of Students			
Students are expected to come equipped with appropriate stationary. They also need to read their teachers comments in their books and act on the feedback given. Students are expected to complete their progress tracking in the front of their books after every assessment.			
Year 9	Topic Title and unit	What students will be learning	How you can specifically help your child
HT1	Memory	1.1 – Flow of memory 1.2– MSM and explanations of Memory - Reconstructive memory - Levels of processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase AQA GCSE psychology textbook; <i>(New specification textbook not yet available, notification will be sent out in due course)</i> • Encourage completion of homework tasks on; www.showmyhomework.co.uk • Encourage attendance to scheduled revision sessions • Old specification practice papers can be found at; http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/gcse/psychology-4180/past-papers-and-mark-schemes Relevant topic areas; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 1: memory - Unit 1: Research methods - Unit 2: Social influence - Unit 2: Research methods <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Useful revision website; https://gcsepsychology.com/aqa-gcse-psychology-revision/ • Download revision app – Gojimo, which includes knowledge test questions.
HT2	Memory continued	1.3- Explanations of forgetting - context - interference - brain damage 1.4 – Eyewitness testimony	
HT3	Social Influence	TBC due to arrival of new specification	
HT4	Social influence continued		
HT5	Research methods		
HT6	Research methods continued		
Key dates and what students will be doing			



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