

Year 11 Psychology Transition Work

Task 1

Conduct some research into the history of Psychology. Create a simple timeline with key points/Psychologists. Include at least 8 points on your timeline.

You may want to include psychologists such as John Watson, Sigmund Freud and Albert Bandura.

Task 2:

The following are topics that you will study and discuss throughout the duration of the course.

- a) Faulty or Inaccurate Eye-Witness Testimony
- b) Schizophrenia
- c) Obedience
- d) Attachment
- e) Phobias

Your task is to research each topic and to provide a definition and brief explanation of each. You may wish to consider the following:

- What is it?
- Why is important to study this area?
- Are there any famous psychologists associated with the topic?

Task 3

As part of the Psychopathology module we look at Phobias.

1. Choose 3 phobias and find out their official title (E.g. Arachnophobia is the fear of Spiders).
2. Provide 3 explanations as to why people develop phobias.
3. Provide 3 treatments of Phobias.

Task 4

One area we look at in Year 13 is Forensic Psychology – The Psychology of Crime.

Conduct some research into an infamous criminal of your choice. Write a short paragraph of who this individual was and what crimes they committed.

Research into explanations of criminal behaviour and using 3 of these explain the actions of your chosen individual.

Here are a few possible explanations you could look into:

- Genetic/Neural explanations
- Cognitive explanations
- Psychodynamic explanations