

# Psychology Year 12 Preview Sheet

**Exam Board: AQA**

**Syllabus: 7182**

## Module 1

- Social Influence
  - Types of Conformity
  - Explanations for Conformity
  - Variables Effecting Conformity (The Asch Experiment)
  - Conformity to Social Roles (Zimbardo Experiment)
  - Obedience – The Milgram Experiment
  - Explanations for Obedience; Situational Variables, Socio-Psychology Explanations & Dispositional Explanations
  - Explanations of Resistance to Social Influence
  - Minority Influence
  - The Role of Social Influence in the Process of Social Change
- Research Methods
  - Independent, Dependent, Control Variables & Extraneous Variables
  - Directional and Nondirectional Hypothesis
  - Pilot Studies

- Experimental Designs
- Sampling
- Observational Techniques
- Demand Characteristics and Investigator Effects
- Ethics
- The role of Peer Review in the Scientific Process

## Module 2

- Memory
  - Coding, Capacity and Duration
  - The Multi-Store Model of Memory
  - Types of Long Term Memory
  - The Working Memory Model of Memory
  - Explanations of Forgetting
  - Factors Effecting the Accuracy of Eyewitness Testimony
  - The Use of the Cognitive Interview
- Research Methods
  - Self-Report Techniques – Questionnaires and Interviews
  - Correlations
  - Qualitative and Quantitative Data
  - Primary and Secondary Data
- Attachment

- Carer-Infant Interactions
- Schaffer's Stages of Attachment

## Module 3

- Attachment
  - Animal Studies – Lorenz and Harlow
  - Explanations of Attachment; Learning Theory and Bowlby's Evolutionary Theory
  - Types of Attachment
  - Cultural Variations in Attachment
  - Bowlby's Theory of Maternal Deprivation
  - Romanian Orphan Studies
  - The Influence of Early Attachment on Adult Relationships
- Research Methods
  - Measures of Central Tendency
  - Measures of Dispersion
  - Calculation of Percentages
  - Presentation of Data
  - Distributions
  - The Sign Test

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## Module 4

- Approaches in Psychology
  - Origins of Psychology: Wundt, Introspection and the Emergence of Psychology as a Science
  - The Behaviourist Approaches: Classical & Operant Conditioning, and Social Learning Theory
  - The Cognitive Approach
  - The Biological Approach
- Biopsychology
  - The Divisions of the Nervous System
  - The structure and function of neurons (Sensory, Motor & Relay)
  - The Process of Synaptic Transmission
  - The Function of the Endocrine System
  - The Time of Flight Response and Adrenaline

## Module 5

- Psychopathology
  - Definitions of Abnormality
  - The Behavioural, Emotional and Cognitive Characteristics of Phobias, Depression & OCD
  - The Behavioural Approach to Explaining and Treating Phobias
  - The Cognitive Approach to Explaining and Treating Depression
  - The Biological Approach to Explaining and Treating OCD

## Module 6

Revision of the year