

## Edexcel Psychology GCSE 2018-2021

This is a three-year course; there is no coursework or controlled assessments in Psychology GCSE. You will sit two examination papers in the summer of Year 11.



### Paper 1: 55% of your grade.

Topic 1: Development – How do humans develop?

Topic 2: Memory – How do our memories work?

Topic 3: Psychological problems – Why do some people get depressed and develop addictions?

Topic 4: The brain and neuropsychology – How do our brains actually work?

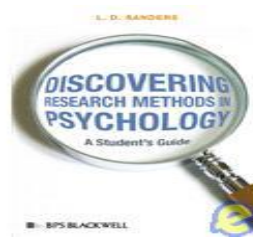
Topic 5: Social influence – How do others affect us?

### Paper 2: 45% of your grade

Topic 1: Criminal Psychology – Why do people become criminals?

Topic 2: Sleep and dreaming – Why do we need to sleep and dream?

Topic 3: Research methods – how do we design psychological research?



## Why study Psychology?

Through this specification, students develop understanding of the key methodology in psychology and how psychology works in our everyday lives. This course has been designed so that students can study subjects relevant to society today, while developing an understanding of key psychological concepts. The focus is on the process of psychology and its application in today's world, making this a contemporary qualification. The units contain key psychological questions with key terms, practical aspects including the research of psychologists and the research students can undertake, and the relevance of issues to the world. This GCSE is particularly useful for students who are considering a career in the Mental Health field, education, Human Resources, social work, Armed Forces, the legal sector and the police force.

