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# Psychology

**Advanced**

**Unit 4: How Psychology Works**

Tuesday 14 June 2016 – Morning

**Time: 2 hours**

Paper Reference

**6PS04/01**

**You do not need any other materials.**

Total Marks

## Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions in Section **A**. In Section **B** answer Questions 6, 7 and 8 and then **EITHER** Question 9(a) **OR** 9(b).
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 90.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk** (\*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed  
– *you should take particular care on these questions with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

## Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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(b) Evaluate the social norms definition of abnormality.

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4 (a) Describe the procedure of **one** study in Clinical Psychology. Do **not** use Rosenhan (1973) for this study.

Name of study: .....

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(b) Evaluate the **main** research method that was used in the clinical study you used in part (a). Do not evaluate the study itself, only the research method.

Research method being evaluated: .....

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\*5 You have studied one therapy from the Learning Approach, either Token Economy or Systematic Desensitisation.

Describe **and** evaluate this therapy. Your answer must use research evidence **and** contain one comparison with a therapy from the Psychodynamic Approach.

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**(Total for Question 5 = 12 marks)**

**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 45 MARKS**



**SECTION B: ISSUES AND DEBATES**

**Answer Questions 6, 7 and 8 and then EITHER Question 9(a) OR 9(b).**

**You are advised to spend approximately one hour on Section B.**

- 6** (a) In Unit 3, you studied two applications. Describe **one** contribution to society for **one** of the applications you studied.

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(b) Assess the usefulness of the contribution of the Unit 3 application you have described in part (a). You must use psychological research in your answer.

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(Total for Question 6 = 6 marks)



7 (a) Outline **two** features of psychology that support the view that it is a science.

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(b) Explain whether the Biological Approach is more scientific than the Social Approach in psychology. Use evidence to support your case.

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(c) You have learned about many different psychological studies in your course.

Choose **two** studies that use different research methods and explain how these studies can support the view that psychology is scientific.

Names of studies: .....

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**\*8** Two students have been asked to undertake a content analysis of gender issues in stories that have been written for children between the ages of two and twelve years.

Explain how they could design and undertake their content analysis, including how they might analyse the data collected.

You may wish to include some of the following in your answer:

- sampling method
- sources of information
- categories
- inter-rater reliability
- data analysis.

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**Answer EITHER Question 9(a) OR Question 9(b).**

**EITHER**

**\*9 (a)** Describe **and** evaluate how issues of ethnocentrism may influence psychological understanding. You must use research evidence from at least two different areas of psychology in your answer.

**OR**

**\*9 (b)** The armed forces of any country consist of mainly young men and women. They are deployed at home and abroad, and are expected to carry out a wide variety of jobs. Officer training in Ranzea involves a 10-month training course, after which the new officer will take charge of a group of about 30 soldiers. Teaching new officers about psychological concepts can help them to be better at their job.

Describe **and** evaluate at least **two** different psychological concepts that could be included in the training programme for new army officers to make them better at their job.

(18)

**Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross ☒. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☒ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☒.**

Chosen question number:    **Question 9(a)** ☒    **Question 9(b)** ☐

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**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 90 MARKS**



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