

Sturminster Newton High School Sixth Form

Psychology Independent Study Guide

Preparation for lessons:

Provide yourself with folders and dividers for each subject, plus essentials such as paper, highlighters etc, and make sure you bring your text book and notes to every lesson. Keep your folders well organised and ordered into relevant sections. Familiarise yourself with the topic being studied by reading the relevant pages in the text book



The Work Involved

It is extremely important to learn the work as you go along, and you are set regular tests to check your knowledge and understanding. Sometimes you are asked to do reading or independent research on a particular topic. You are also set regular written work to do in your own time, including writing up notes, answering exam style questions or planning and writing essays.

Resources

You are loaned the main text books for the duration of the course. The text books we use, based on the AQA specification, are from the series **The Complete Companions to A level Psychology.** You are also supplied with many information and work sheets. In addition there are many resources available via computer such as lesson PowerPoints and links to useful websites, and details of these are given you throughout the course. There is a particularly good set of revision videos on Youtube, called **'Flippin Psychology'**, based on the AQA specification and the text book we use – you just need to search for the topic you want. They can be found at the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEA_glpBQW9WzzjYUQ5-ilg

If you are thinking of purchasing a revision aid, then the following book accompanies the text book we use in year 12

The Complete Companions: A Level Year 1 and AS Psychology: The Mini Companion for AQA Fourth edition (PSYCHOLOGY COMPLETE COMPANION) Paperback – 28 Feb 2016

Mike Cardwell, Cara Flanagan, Rosalind Geillis ISBN-13: 978-0198375289

For year 13, it may not be worth purchasing the revision guide as we only look at particular modules, and not everything in the book, but the equivalent revision guide for A level is:

The Complete Companions for AQA: 16-18. A Level Year 2 Psychology: The Mini Companion Fourth edition (PSYCHOLOGY COMPLETE COMPANION) Paperback – 1 Sep 2016

Mike Cardwell, Rosalind Geillis ISBN-13: 978-0198375296

There are further books available in the series The Complete Companions to A level Psychology which accompany our course text books, which you may find useful.

The school resources centre does hold a variety of publications on the subject, which are available for students to make use of.

AND FINALLY.... Any problems of any kind, please contact the relevant teacher immediately – we are here to help



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