



# Archbishop Tenison's

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CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

SIXTH FORM: Psychology



# What is Psychology

- According to Crow and Crow, Psychology is the study of human behaviour and human relationship.
- JB Watson (1912) defined Psychology as the science of behaviour.
- Pavlov described it as the science of behaviour and the experiences of human beings.





# Why Study Psychology at Archbishop Tenison's School?

At Tenison's we study the AQA course and offer both AS and A Level Psychology.

The AQA specification is designed to be an engaging and effective introduction to Psychology for students.

The course allows you to explore the human mind and behaviour and investigate questions such as:

- Why did the atrocities in the holocaust happen?
- How important is our relationship with our parents?
- Why might a child be aggressive?
- You will also learn about mental health disorders such as addiction and schizophrenia.

Students who engage with the subject gain more than just a grade; they develop a deeper understanding of themselves and those around them.



# Psychology

## A Level Course Overview

### A Level compulsory content

1. Social influence
2. Memory
3. Attachment
4. Psychopathology
5. Approaches in Psychology
6. Biopsychology
7. Research methods
8. Issues and debates in Psychology

### 3 Option Topics

1. Relationships
2. Schizophrenia
3. Forensic Psychology



# Psychology Year 12 Option AS Level Course Overview

## AS Subject Content

- 1 Social influence
- 2 Memory
- 3 Attachment
- 4 Approaches in Psychology
- 5 Psychopathology
- 6 Research methods





# Assessment



## A Level

Comprises of 3 written examinations

Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology

Paper 2: Psychology in Context

Paper 3: Issues and Options in Psychology

## AS Level

Comprises of two written examinations

Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology

Paper 2: Psychology in Context

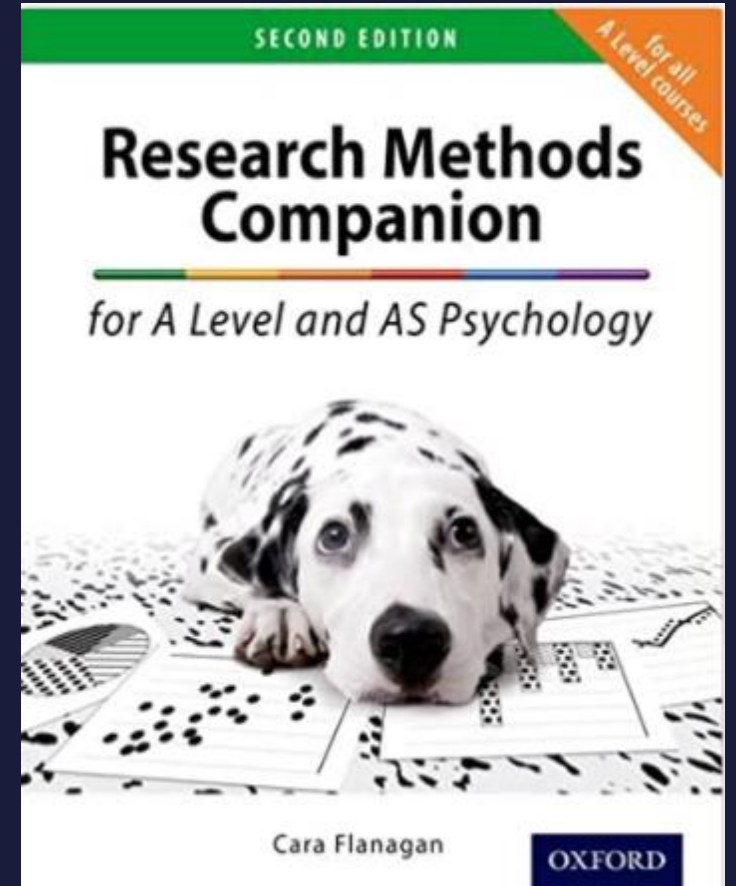
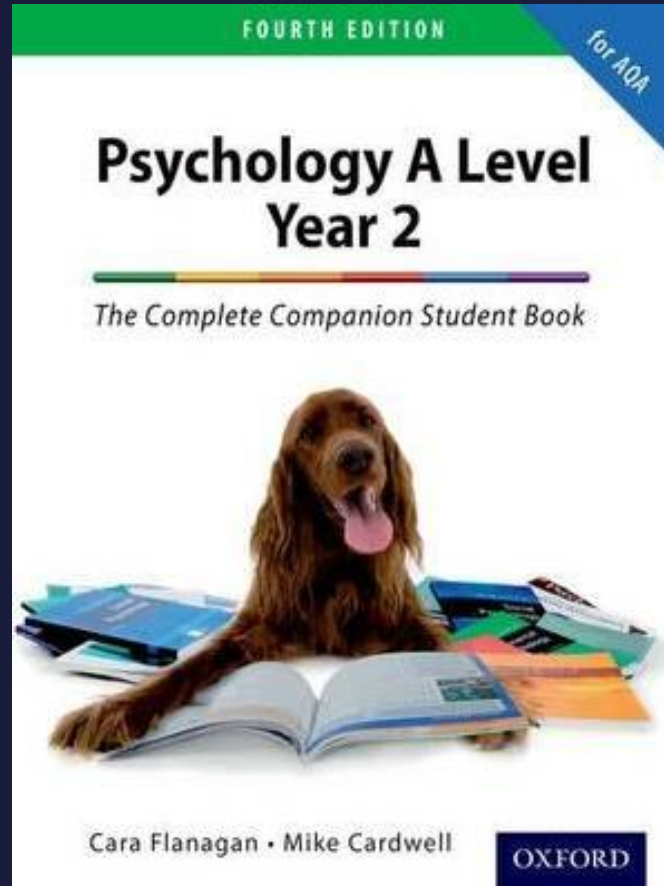
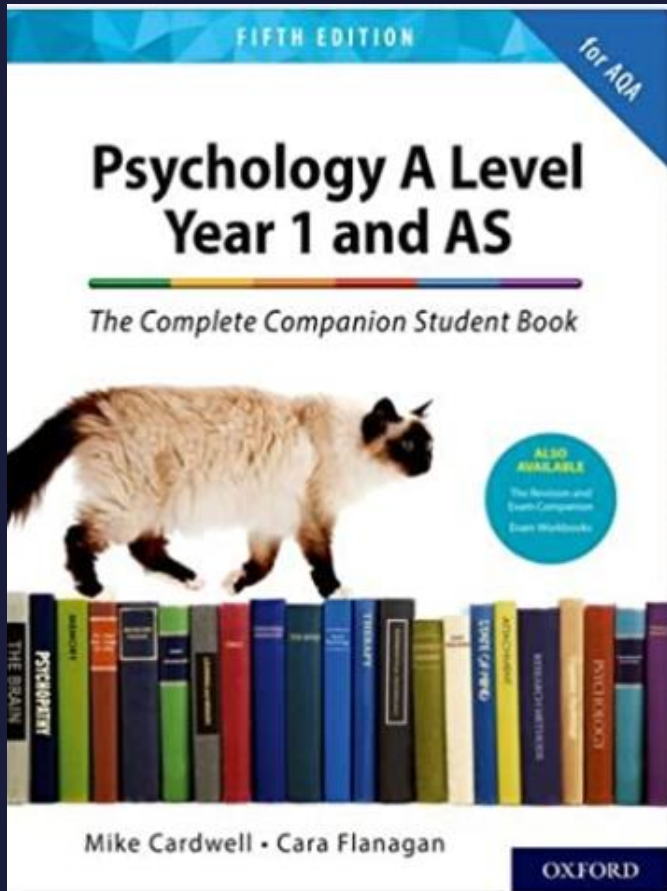


# Student Expectations

- For most, this will be a brand new subject and students must be prepared to learn difficult and abstract concepts from the very beginning.
- Engaging in wider reading in addition to completing the set homework is essential to meet the challenges of the course.
- Students will be expected to fully participate in lessons, asking questions, making positive contributions and completing work to the highest standard.



# Student Expectations







# Entry Requirements

- Five GCSE at grades 9-5.
- 5 or above in Maths, 6 and above in English and Science.
- A positive attitude to learning and willingness to try new things are essential to meet the demands of this exciting and challenging subject.
- Students who do not meet the precise criteria may still be considered for the course and this may be discussed at enrolment.



# Opportunities and Successes

- Psychology has a wide range of applications and is viewed favourably by many employers.
- You can pursue a career in psychology itself and specialise as a clinical, child or forensic psychologist, to name a few.
- Psychology is also advantageous in marketing, advertising, education, social work and counselling.





# Further questions...?

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