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Psychology

Advanced

Unit 4: How Psychology Works

Wednesday 11 June 2014 – 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 with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.*

Advice

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

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SECTION A: CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Answer ALL questions.

You are advised to spend approximately one hour on Section A.

1 (a) During your course you have studied one of the following disorders:

- unipolar depression
- bipolar depression
- phobias
- obsessive compulsive disorder
- anorexia nervosa
- bulimia nervosa

Choose one disorder from the list.

Describe the procedure of **one** study you have learned about that investigated this disorder.

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Disorder

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(b) Evaluate the study you have described in (a).

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(Total for Question 1 = 8 marks)



(Total for Question 2 = 6 marks)



3 (a) Describe **one** treatment/therapy that is used to treat schizophrenia.

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(b) Evaluate the treatment/therapy you described in (a) as a treatment for schizophrenia. In your evaluation make **one** comparison with a different treatment/therapy for schizophrenia.

(5)

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(Total for Question 3 = 9 marks)



4 (a) Using your knowledge of the Rosenhan (1973) study, write a blog or diary entry describing the experiences that one of the pseudopatients may have had on one day during their stay in the hospital.

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(b) Evaluate Rosenhan's (1973) study in terms of ethical issues.

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(Total for Question 4 = 10 marks)



*5 With reference to relevant studies, describe and evaluate **two** research methods used to investigate schizophrenia.

Make **at least one** comparison point between the two research methods.

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(Total for Question 5 = 12 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 45 MARKS



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SECTION B: ISSUES AND DEBATES

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

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

6 Choose **one** study you have learned about that has raised ethical concerns.
You must **not** use a study from the Clinical Psychology topic.

(a) Describe the procedure of your chosen study.

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(b) The social control that can be exerted using psychological knowledge has both benefits and costs.

Using **one** of the ways of exerting social control you described in (a), assess the practical implications of this type of social control.

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(Total for Question 7 = 9 marks)



***8** A research team is interested in conducting a study into stress. They decide to use people who have experienced stress caused by natural disaster. Examples of natural disasters include earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, avalanches or extreme weather.

Explain how the researchers may design and undertake a study into stress caused by a natural disaster.

You may wish to include the following information in your answer:

- finding a suitable sample
- deciding on an appropriate research method or methods
- ways of collecting data
- practical issues
- ethical considerations
- length of time the study will last

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(Total for Question 8 = 10 marks)



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Turn over for Question 9.



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

EITHER

- *9** (a) Psychology has benefited society in many ways and all the approaches you have studied can be said to have contributed positively to a wide range of areas and applications.

Describe and evaluate **at least two** contributions to society from the Psychodynamic Approach, and **at least two** contributions to society from the Social Approach. In your answer compare the usefulness of these contributions to society.

(18)

OR

- *9** (b) Read the information in the box below.

Conrad is performing in a play. He and his friend, Ahmed, have worked together on learning Conrad's lines. Conrad has just found out that Ahmed will not be able to attend the performance tonight.

Conrad is very proud of the important role he has been given in the play, but he is very nervous.

Then, as Conrad is waiting to go on stage, he suddenly realises he has a problem; his mind has gone blank. It is as if he has forgotten all the lines of the play and even the stage directions.

Psychology has many areas including approaches, application, concepts and topics.

Using **at least two** areas of psychology, describe and evaluate **two or more** explanations for Conrad's mind going blank. In your answer make **at least one** suggestion as to how psychology could help Conrad perform successfully in the play.

(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 Question 9 = 18 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 45 MARKS
TOTAL FOR PAPER = 90 MARKS

