	Topic title	SUMMARY OF KNOWLEDGE ACQUISTION	APPROXIMATE DURATION (Lessons)	Term 1a								Term1b							Term 2a						Term 2b						Term 3a					Term 3b						
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Year 10																																										
1	**Memory**	This is composed of three sub topics. 1 Processes of Memory 2 Structures of Memory 3 Memory as an active process	20																																							
2	**Perception**	This is composed of six sub topics 1.Sensation and perception 2. Visual cues and constancies 3. Gibson's direct theory of perception – the influence of nature 4. Visual illusions 5. Gregory's constructivist theory of perception – the influence of nurture 6.Factors affecting perception	20																																							
3	**Development**	This is composed of three sub topics. 1. Early brain development 2. Piaget's stage theory and the development of intelligence. The role of Piaget's theory in education. 3. The effects of learning on development	20																																							
4	**Research methods**	This is composed of nine sub topics 1. Formulation of testable hypotheses Null hypothesis and alternative hypothesis. 2. Types of variable 3. Sampling methods 4. Designing research 5.Correlation 6. Research procedures 7. Planning and conducting research 8. Ethical considerations 9. Data handling	30																																							
5	**Social Influence**	This is composed of four sub topics 1. Conformity 2. Obedience 3.Prosocial behaviour 4. Crowd and collective behaviour	9																																							
Year 11																																										
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2	**Language and thought and communication.**	This is composed of four sub topics 1. The possible relationship between language and thought. The effect of language and thought on our view of the world 2. Differences between human and animal. Communication. Von Frisch's bee study. 3. Non-verbal communication 4. Explanations of non-verbal behaviour. Darwin's evolutionary theory of non-verbal. Yuki's study of emoticons.	21																																							
3	**Brain and neuropsychology**	This is composed of four sub topics 1. Structure and function of the nervous system 2. Neuron structure and function 3. Structure and function of the brain 4. An introduction to neuropsychology	21																																							
4	**Psychological Problems**	This is composed of six sub 1. An introduction to mental health. How the incidence of significant mental health problems changes over time 2. Effects of significant mental health problems on individuals and society 3. Characteristics of clinical depression 4. Theories of depression. Interventions or therapies for depression D175. Characteristics of addiction 6. Theories of addiction. Interventions or therapies for addiction	21																																							
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Year 12																																										
1	**Memory**	This is composed of six sub topics. 1. The multi-store model of memory 2. Types of long-term memory 3. The working memory model 4. Explanations for forgetting 5. Factors affecting the accuracy of eyewitness testimony 6. Improving the accuracy of eyewitness testimony	24																																							
2	**Social Influence**	This is composed of seven sub topics 1. Types of conformity 2. Explanations for conformity 3. Conformity to social roles as investigated by Zimbardo. 4. Explanations for obedience 5. Explanations of resistance to social influence 6 Minority influence 7. The role of social influence processes in social change	24																																							
3	**Attachment**	This is composed of six sub topics 1. Caregiver-infant interactions in humans 2. Animal studies of attachment 3. Explanations of attachment 4. Ainsworth's 'Strange Situation'. 5. Cultural variations in attachment. 6. Bowlby's theory of maternal deprivation.	24																																							
4	**Psychopathology**	This is composed of five sub topics 1. Definitions of abnormality. 2. The behavioural, emotional and cognitive characteristics of phobias, depression OCD. 3. The behavioural approach to explaining and treating phobias. 4. The cognitive approach to explaining and treating depression. 5. The biological approach to explaining and treating OCD	24																																							
5	**Research Methods**	This is taught formally in year 12 and referred to throughout year 13 This is composed of four sub topics 1. Research Methods 2. Scientific processes 3. Data handling and analysis 4. Inferential testing	30																																							

6	**Approaches**	This is refered to throughout the course and taught formally after the year 12 mocks. This is composed of seven sub topics 1. Origins of psychology 2. The Learning approaches 3. The cognitive approach 4. The biological approach 5. The psychodynamic approach 6. Humanistic psychology 7. Comparison of approaches.	30
7	**Issues and Debates**	This is referred to throughout the course and taught formally after the year 12 mocks and before the year 13 mocks 1 This is omposed of six sub topics. 1 Gender and culture in Psychology 2. Free will and determinism 3. The nature-nurture debate 4. Holism and reductionism 5. Idiographic and nomothetic approaches 6. Ethical implications	30
Year 13			
1	**Biopsychology**	This is composed of seven sub topics 1. The divisions of the nervous system 2. The structure and function of neurons. 3. The function of the endocrine system 4. The fight or flight response 5. Localisation of function, plasticity 6. Ways of studying the brain 7. Biological rhythms	30
2	**Schizophrenia**	This is composed of eight sub topics 1. Classification of schizophrenia. 2. Reliability and validity in diagnosis and classification of+D33 schizophrenia. 3 Biological explanations for schizophrenia 4. Psychological explanations for schizophrenia 5. Drug therapy. 6. Cognitive behaviour therapy and family therapy as used in the treatment of schizophrenia. 7. Token economies 8. Diathesis-stress model.	30
3	**Aggression**	This is composed of five sub topics 1. Neural and hormonal mechanisms 2. The ethological explanation of aggression 3. Social psychological explanations 4. Institutional aggression in the context of prisons 5. Media influences	30
4	**Gender**	This is composed of six sub topics 1. Sex and gender 2. The role of chromosomes and hormones 3. Cognitive explanations of gender development 4. Psychodynamic explanation of gender development 5. Social learning theory 6. Atypical gender development	30
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