

AS PSYCHOLOGY OVERVIEW

Overview:

Week	Topic	Unit
	Welcome to Psychology	
1	Welcome to Memory : The Multistore Model	PSYA1
2	The Working Memory Model	
3	Which explains memory best? Multistore vs. Working Memory	
4	Eyewitness Testimony (EWT)	
5	Factors affecting EWT, and Cognitive Interviews	
6	Strategies for Improving Memory, and Assessment	
7	Welcome to Attachment : Explanations and Theories of Attachment	
	Half Term	
8	Types of Attachment, and Cultural Variations in Attachment	
9	Disruption to Attachment: Institutionalisation	
10	Day Care and its' Effects, and Assessment	
11	Welcome to Research Methods : Methods and Techniques of Data Collection	
12	Investigation Design: Design Decisions	
13	Investigation Design: Reliability, Validity, Ethics	
14	Data Analysis and Presentation, and... Assessment	
	Christmas Holiday	
15	Welcome to Stress : How does the body respond to stress? (January Exam?)	PSYA2
16	Stress related illness and the immune system	
17	Workplace stress, and Personality Factors	
18	Personality Factors, and Locus of Control	
19	Stress Management, and Assessment	
20	Welcome to Abnormality : Definitions of Abnormality	
	Half Term	
21	The Biological Approaches to Abnormality	
22	The Psychological Approaches to Abnormality (Possible trip to Bethlem Royal Hospital for Mental Health)	
23	Biological Treatment of Abnormality	
24	Psychological Treatment of Abnormality, and Assessment	
25	Welcome to Social Influence : Types and Explanations of Conformity	
26	Research into Obedience, and Explanations of Obedience	
	Easter Holiday	
27	Explanations of Disobedience/Independence, including individual differences	
28	The Implications of Research into Social Influence: Can we cause Social Change?	
29	Revision...	
30	Revision of all topics/units, and... Final Exams!	Both

Main Text for Reference: Cardwell, M., Clark, L, Meldrum, C. (2008) ***Psychology for AS-level (4th Ed.)*** London: Collins.