Christopher Whitehead Language College and Sixth Form
A-Level Psychology Reading List

Core textbooks – Endorsed by AQA, these are regularly referred to in class and it is highly recommended that you purchase these as a minimum

AQA Psychology for A-level Year 1 & AS
Authors: Cara Flanagan, Dave Berry, Matt Jarvis, Rob Liddle
Publisher: Illuminate Publishing

AQA Psychology for A-level Year 2
Authors: Cara Flanagan, Dave Berry, Matt Jarvis, Rob Liddle
Publisher: Illuminate Publishing

Also endorsed by AQA, these offer an alternative to the above, written by a former Chief Examiner

AQA A-level Psychology Book 1
Authors: Jean-Marc Lawton and Eleanor Willard
Publisher: Hodder Education

AQA A-level Psychology Book 2
Authors: Jean-Marc Lawton and Eleanor Willard
Publisher: Hodder Education

Further alternative A Level texts but still covering the key content

The Complete Companion for AQA Psychology A Level: Year 2 Fourth Edition Student Book (PSYCHOLOGY COMPLETE COMPANION)
Mike Cardwell and Cara Flanagan

The Complete Companions: AQA Psychology Year 1 and AS Student Book (Complete Companion Psychology)
Mike Cardwell and Cara Flanagan

For those leaners who want to add depth and detail to their responses

Oxford AQA Psychology: A Level: Year 1 and AS
by Simon Green and Rob Lewis

Oxford AQA Psychology A Level: Year 2
by Simon Green and Rob Lewis

Stretch and Challenge

Aiming for an A in A-level Psychology
University of Worcester and The Hive

A Guide to finding Psychology resources at The Hive
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dgv26L5j9Xo&feature=youtu.be

Dewey classification guide for Psychology resources

Psychology - 150
150.15195 Statistics in Psychology
150.721 Psychology research methods
152 Behaviour and emotions
152.4 Emotional intelligence
153 Cognitive psychology (conscious mental processes and intelligence)
153.15 Learning
153.43 Memory and reasoning
154 Subconscious and altered states and processes
155 Differential and developmental (child) psychology
155.2 Personality psychology
156 Comparative psychology
158 Applied psychology
158.3 Counselling psychology
158.7 Occupational/organisational psychology
Ethics (Moral philosophy) - 170
174 Occupational/professional ethics
174.2 Clinical/medical ethics
Social Interaction/social psychology - 302
302.35 Workplace psychology
Education - 370
370.15/370.1523 Educational psychology/learning and teaching
Forensic Medicine - 614
614.15 Forensic psychology
Diseases - 616
616.0019 Clinical health psychology
616.85 Mental illness
616.89 Abnormal psychology
616.8914 Psychotherapy
Athletic and outdoor sport - 796
796.01 Sport and exercise psychology

Useful websites which include links to additional reading material

https://thepsychologist.bps.org.uk/ultimate-psychology-reading-list

Links to BBC Psychology Resources (videos and radio programmes)
The brain in a secret history - https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00xccs9
All in the Mind Radio 4 https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qxx9

Pre-university psychology teaching resources – Genes to Cognition
http://www.gerardkeegan.co.uk/
Introduction to Psychology
https://www.verywellmind.com/psychology-4014660

Useful online resources, videos, lectures and podcasts:
The British Psychological Society (BPS): http://www.bps.org.uk
American Psychological Association: http://www.apa.org/
Ted Talks Psychology Play list - https://www.ted.com/topics/psychology
Approaches Quiz - http://www.gerardkeegan.co.uk/resource/quiz_bigapproaches.htm
Forensic Psychology - https://www.all-about-forensic-psychology.com/forensic-psychology-resource.html

Many online university lectures available at:
https://www.youtube.com/user/TheFacultiesPods

Research Methods
Is Psychology a science?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TMKptrh0nwc&list=PL063A5B58F65152C2&index=52&t=0s
(Part 1)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eOATLTb5Lhg
(Part 2)
Animal experimentation in Psychology
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yQW4CQypSRg&list=PL063A5B58F65152C2&index=2&t=0s
Correlation and Causation
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HBvmHx28HN&list=PL063A5B58F65152C2&index=8&t=0s
Also worth a watch:

https://www.youtube.com/user/chrislivesey/videos

Collection of short clips to summarise some of the main concepts in both Psychology and Sociology

Wider reading:

Students are strongly advised to consult a range of titles from the list below, many of which are available new or second hand online or to loan from the Hive Library:

*Freud for Beginners* by Richard Appignanesi and Oscar Zarate

*Introducing Psychology: A Graphic Guide to Your Mind and Behaviour* by Nigel Benson

*Mindwatching: Why We Behave the Way We Do* by H.J. Eysenck and Michael W. Eysenck

*Psychology: A Very Short Introduction* by Gillian Butler and Freda McManus


*Routledge Modular Psychology Series:*

- Awareness: biorhythms, sleep and dreaming
- Classification and diagnosis
- Early socialisation
- Evolutionary explanations of human behaviour
- Interpersonal relationships
- Memory and forgetting
- Physiological basis of behaviour
- Psychopathology
- Social cognition
- Theoretical approaches in psychology
- Therapeutic approaches

*Psychology Express Series – Undergraduate Introductory Texts*

*Psychology Express: Cognitive Psychology* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Dr Jonathan Ling and Dr Jonathan Catling

*Conceptual and Historical Issues in Psychology* by Dr Brian M. Hughes and Dr Dominic Upton

*Psychology Express: Developmental Psychology* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Penney Upton and Dr Dominic Upton

*Psychology Express: Social Psychology* by Dr Jenny Mercer and Dr Deborah Clayton

*Psychology Express: Statistics in Psychology* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Catherine Steele and Holly Andrews

*Psychology Express: Biological Psychology* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Emma Preece and Dr Dominic Upton

*Psychology Express: Research Methods in Psychology* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Dr Mark Forshaw and Dr Steve Jones

*Psychology Express: Personality and Individual Differences* (Undergraduate Revision Guide) by Dr Terence Butler and Ms Laura Scurlock-Evans
General Interest Psychology Books

The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat and Other Clinical Tales by Oliver W Sacks (Author) ISBN 978-0684853949

Seeing Voices by Oliver Sacks (Author) ISBN 978-0330320900


The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, Haddon

Psychology in Football, Nesti

We Need to Talk about Kevin, Shriver

The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable, Taleb

The Blank Slate, Pinker

Without Conscience: The Disturbing World of the Psychopaths Among Us, Hare

Working Memory, Thought and Action, Baddeley

The Lucifer Effect, Zimbardo

Obedience to Authority, Milgram

Perfect: Anorexia and Me Emily Halban:

A Beautiful Mind Syvia Nasar:

Obedience to Authority: An Experimental View Stanley Milgram:

Opening Skinner’s Box: Great Psychological Experiments of the 20th Century Lauren Slater:

Eyewitness Testimony :EF Loftus

One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest Ken Kesey

Quirkology: Richard Wisemen

Magazines/journals – General Interest

Psychology Review (Quarterly)
The Psychologist (Monthly)
Scientific American (Monthly)

Topic Specific Journal Articles

Cognitive Psychology


**Developmental Psychology**

Preyer, W.T. (1888). The soul of the child: observations on the mental development of man in the first years of life.

**Abnormal Psychology**


**Behaviourism**


**Psychodynamic Approach**

Freud, S. (1915). The unconscious. SE, 14: 159-204.

Humanism


Cognitive Psychology

Biological Psychology