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| Topic Title | Paper 2: Approaches (2) and Paper 2: Biopsychology | Paper 3: Aggression and Paper 2: Research Methods | Paper 2: Research Methods and Paper 3: Relationships | Paper 3: Relationships and Paper 3: Schizophrenia | Paper 3: Issues and Debates | Examinations |
| Brief summary of content studied | Approaches (2): Psychodynamic approach, humanistic approach and comparison of approaches. Biopsychology (2): Localisation of function, lateralisation of function, recovery from brain damage and plasticity, ways of investigating the brain and biological rhythms. | Aggression: Social Learning Theory of aggression, deindividuation, frustration-aggression hypothesis, genetic explanations for aggression, neurological explanations for aggression, hormonal explanations for aggression, ethological explanations for aggression, evolutionary explanations, institutional aggression and media influences on aggression. | Research Methods: The use of statistical testing in psychology, probability and significance, validity and reliability, content analysis and the features of science. Relationships: Theories of attraction and the maintenance of relationships. | Relationships: Evolutionary explanations, Parasocial relationships and Virtual relationships. Schizophrenia: Biological explanations and treatment, psychological explanations and treatment and Issues surrounding the classification and diagnosis of schizophrenia. | Issues and Debates: Nature/Nurture, Determinism/freewill, Reductionism/holism, Socially sensitive research, Culture and Gender bias and Idiographic/Nomothetic approaches. | |
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| Other resources and readings | Year 2 textbook: AQA Psychology Year 2 (2nd edition). Illuminate Publishing (Pink haired girl book) | | | | | |