Gambling Addiction – Questions by Topic

Q1.

Outline how the learning approach would explain the maintenance of gambling.

(Total 4 marks)

Q2.

Sam has recently left school and started work. His new job is monotonous and he often feels bored. On the way home from work, he and his new workmates call at the betting shop and place a couple of bets. Sam has a few wins in the first week and finds the atmosphere very exciting. He starts to visit the betting shop after work most days, and is now spending over half of his wages on gambling.

Using your knowledge of the psychology of addictive behaviour, explain some of the reasons for Sam's addiction to gambling.

(Total 10 marks)

Q3.

Outline and evaluate the cognitive approach to explaining problem gambling.

(Total 16 marks)