



A LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY

UNIT 1

Psychology: Past to Present

SPECIMEN PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer **all** the questions.

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Do not use pencil or gel pen.

Do not use correction fluid.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question.

You are reminded of the need for good English and orderly, clear presentation in your answers. Assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers.

No certificate will be awarded to a candidate detected in any unfair practice during the examination.

Answer **all** the questions

1. (a) Describe the biological assumption of 'localisation of function'. [3]
(b) Describe the positive assumption of 'focus on the good life'. [3]
2. Using your knowledge of **two** different psychological approaches explain how a relationship is formed. [10]
3. (a) Describe the main components of a psychodynamic therapy (either dream analysis **OR** group analysis psychotherapy). [8]
(b) Evaluate the therapy you described in 3(a). [10]
4. Describe the findings and conclusions of Loftus and Palmer's (1974) research *Reconstruction of automobile destruction: an example of the interaction between language and memory*. [10]
5. Analyse the strengths and weaknesses of the positive approach. [10]
6. A psychologist needs to explain to his client why they may be better using a therapy from a biological approach rather than a therapy from the cognitive approach. Using your knowledge of both approaches compare and contrast the cognitive and biological approaches and their therapies. [10]
7. Watson and Rayner's (1920) research *Conditioned Emotional Reaction* has many ethical issues. Discuss this statement with reference to the procedures used in this research. [16]

End of paper

