



PSYCHOLOGY HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 1

Thursday 6 May 2010 (afternoon)

2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: answer all the questions.
- Section B: answer one question.

SECTION A

Answer **all** questions in this section.

Biological Perspective

1. Outline **one** strength and **one** limitation of the biological perspective in explaining **one** psychological or social question.

[8 marks]

Cognitive Perspective

2. Explain **one** theoretical explanation of human behaviour from the cognitive perspective.

[8 marks]

Learning Perspective

3. Explain **one** contribution of the learning perspective to the **scientific** study of behaviour.

[8 marks]

Humanistic Perspective

4. Describe **one** research study from the humanistic perspective.

[8 marks]

SECTION B

Answer **one** question in this section. Marks will be awarded for clear presentation of **theories**, inclusion of appropriate **empirical studies** and **evaluation**.

Evaluate two research methods (e.g. experiments, case study) used in the biological perspective. [20 marks]
Explain the extent to which free will and determinism relate to the cognitive perspective. [20 marks]
Evaluate one or more applications of one theory from the learning perspective. [20 marks]
Evaluate the influence of historical or cultural conditions on the humanistic perspective. [20 marks]