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**PSYCHOLOGY  
HIGHER LEVEL  
PAPER 2**

Wednesday 2 November 2011 (morning)

2 hours

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer two questions, each from a different option.

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Each question is worth [22 marks]. Marks will be awarded for demonstration of knowledge and understanding (including the use of relevant psychological research), evidence of critical thinking (e.g. application, analysis, synthesis, evaluation), and organization of answers.

### **Abnormal psychology**

1. Compare and contrast individual and group approaches to treatment.
  
2. Describe psychological research (theories and/or studies) relevant to diagnosis.  
  
Evaluate the psychological research (theories and/or studies) relevant to diagnosis that you have described.
  
3. For **one** affective **or** eating disorder, discuss the relationship between etiology and therapeutic approach.

### **Developmental psychology**

4. Evaluate **two** examples of psychological research (theories and/or studies) relevant to attachment.
  
5. To what extent do sociocultural factors influence the formation and development of gender roles?
  
6. Outline **one** theory of cognitive development.  
  
Evaluate the theory of cognitive development that you have outlined.

### **Health psychology**

7. Evaluate **two** examples of psychological research (theories and/or studies) related to physiological and/or psychological aspects of stress.
8. Discuss prevention strategies **or** treatments for addictive behaviour.
9. “Lifestyle is an important factor in people’s health.”

With reference to this statement, discuss sociocultural factors related to the development of obesity.

### **Psychology of human relationships**

10. Discuss factors influencing bystanderism.
11. Contrast **one** biological explanation of the origin of attraction with **one** psychological **or** social explanation.
12. Evaluate psychological research (theories and/or studies) related to sociocultural explanations of the origins of violence.

### **Sport psychology**

13. Outline **two** techniques for skill development in sport.

Discuss the **two** techniques for skill development in sport that you have outlined.

14. Outline psychological research (theories and/or studies) in relation to athlete response to stress and chronic injury.

Evaluate the psychological research (theories and/or studies) in relation to athlete response to stress and chronic injury that you have outlined.

15. Evaluate **two** theories of motivation in sport.