



**PSYCHOLOGY**  
**HIGHER AND STANDARD LEVEL**  
**PAPER 1**

Friday 3 November 2000 (afternoon)

2 hours

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not turn over this page until instructed to do so.
- Answer two questions.

*This paper covers the four Perspectives (cognitive, behavioural, humanistic/phenomenological, and psychodynamic) and the six elements of each perspective (historical/cultural context, conceptual framework, basic assumptions, methodologies, application to psychological issues, and critical evaluation). Theoretical and empirical support is required in **all** answers.*

1. (a) What are the characteristic procedures for data collection and data analysis of the behavioural perspective? [30 marks]
  - (b) Is there resistance to these procedures by theorists within this perspective and/or by various cultures? [20 marks]
  2. In what ways does the cognitive perspective contribute to the further development of psychology as the systematic study of human behaviour? [50 marks]
  3. (a) Choose **one** perspective and analyse its current standing within contemporary psychology. [30 marks]
  - (b) Are there any implicit cultural assumptions which may limit this perspective's universality? [20 marks]
  4. (a) Define and explain the key concepts within the humanistic perspective. [25 marks]
  - (b) Compare the effectiveness of these concepts in explaining behaviour with the key concepts of another perspective. [25 marks]
  5. Increasing attention within psychology is given to the linkage between human and non-human animal behaviour. Describe how **each** of the four perspectives views the relationship between human and other animal behaviour. [50 marks]
  6. Choose any **two** perspectives and compare their strategies and their effectiveness in helping individuals with psychological disorders. [50 marks]
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