AQA Approaches Origins of Psychology **Learning Approaches** Social Learning Theory **Biological Approach** Cognitive Approach Psychodynamic Approach **Humanistic Approach** Comparison of Approaches

Social Influence

- Types of Conformity **Explanations for Conformity** Variables affecting Conformity
- investigated by Asch Conformity to Social Roles
- **Agentic State** Legitimacy of Authority
- Situational variables affecting
- **Authoritarian Personality** Explanations of resistance to
- social influence

obedience

- Minority Influence
 - Social influence processes in social change

Memory

- Multi-store model of memory Types of long-term memory
- Working Memory Model
- Interference Theory
- Retrieval Failure
- Accuracy of EWT: misleading information and anxiety
- Cognitive Interview

Attachment

- Caregiver-infant interactions
- Schaffer's Stages
- The role of the father
- Animal studies
- Learning Theory
- Bowlby's Monotropic Theory
- Strange Situation
- Types of attachment Cultural variations in attachment
- Bowlby's Theory of Maternal Deprivation
- Romanian orphan studies
- Influence on childhood and adult relationships

Psychopathology

- Definitions of Abnormality
- Behavioural, emotional and cognitive characteristic of phobias, depression and OCD
- Two-process model
- Systematic Desensitisation
- Flooding
- Beck's negative triad
- Ellis's ABC model
- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy
- Biological explanations of OCD
- **Drug Therapy**

Forensics

- Offender & Geographical Profiling
- Atavistic form
- Genetic & neural explanations
- Eysenck's Theory
- Cognitive explanation Differential Association theory
- Psychodynamic explanations
- Dealing with offending behaviour

- Gender
- Sex and Gender
- Sex-role stereotypes
- Androgyny
- Role of chromosomes & hormones
- Atypical sex chromosome patterns
- Kohlberg's theory of gender development
- Freud's psychoanalytic theory Social Learning Theory
- Influence of culture and media
- Atypical gender development

Schizophrenia Classification including symptoms

- Reliability & validity in diagnosis
- Genetics & neural correlations
- **Dopamine Hypothesis**
- Cognitive Explanations
- **Drug Therapy**
- Cognitive Behaviour Therapy

Family Dysfunction

- Family Therapy
- **Token Economy Programmes**
- Interactionist Approach

Biopsychology

- The Nervous & Endocrine System
- Structure & Function of neurons
- Fight or Flight
- Localisation of Function Lateralisation
- Split-brain research
- Plasticity & Functional Recovery
- Studying the brain
- Biological rhythms
- Endogenous pacemakers & exogenous zeitgebers

Research Methods

- Aims, hypotheses & variables (manipulating, controlling
- and operationalising) Types of experiment
- Sampling methods
- Pilot studies
- **Experimental Designs**
- Types of Observation & observational design
- Questionnaire construction
- Design of interviews
- Control: random allocation and counterbalancing, randomisation and standardisation
- Demand characteristics and investigator effects
- Ethics and dealing with ethical issues Correlations
- **Content Analysis Case Studies**
- Quantitative & Qualitative Data
- Primary & secondary data
- Meta-analysis
- Measures of central tendency
- Measures of dispersion
- Presentation of quantitative data
- Types of distribution

Research Methods

- Levels of Measurement
- **Content & Thematic Analysis**
- Probability & significance
- Statistical Testing Type 1 & 2 errors
- Peer Review Implications for the Economy
- Reliability (assessing & improving)
- Validity (assessing & improving)
- Features of science **Reporting Psychological Investigations**
 - **Issues & Debates**

Ethical Implications & Social Sensitivity

- Gender & Cultural Bias
- Free will vs Determinism
 - Nature vs Nurture
 - Holism vs Reductionism
 - Idiographic vs Nomothetic