De La Salle School Psychology Curriculum Year 10

Knowledge, Skills and Understanding

Half term 1a	Half term 1b	Half term 2a	Half term 2b	Half term 3a	Half term 3b
Research Methods • Planning psychological research • Experimental designs and variables • Sampling • Methods of investigations • Ethics • Data handling and maths	**Memory** • Key concepts • Memory as information processing • Structure and function of the brain in memory • The brain and amnesia • Theory – multi-store model of memory • Key Study – Wilson et al (2008) • Theory – Theory of reconstructive memory • Key study – Braun et al (2002) • Application – memory and advertising	**Criminal Psychology** Key concepts: • Different types of crime • Crime as a social construct • How crime is measured • Theory – Social Learning Theory as an explanation of criminal behaviour • Key study – Cooper and Mackie (1986) • Theory – Eysenck's Criminal Personality Theory • Key study – Heaven (1996) • Application – understanding the role of punishment and rehabilitation	Time given to complete topics Exam techniques preparation	**Developmental Psychology** • Key concepts • Theory 1 – Piaget's Theory of Cognitive development • Key study – Piaget (1952) • Theory – Learning theories of development including Dweck and Willingham • Key study – Blackwell et al (2007) • Application – how Piaget and the Learning Theories can be applied to education.	13 mark question introduction

Assessment and Assessment Focus

• Exam style questions on planning research / experimental design and variables • Exam style questions on methods of investigations • Exam style questions on sampling and ethics • Whiteboard questions used within lessons – identified in lessons where to use. • Exam style questions on analysing data • Weekly homework – MCQ recall		• Check in on information processing and forgetting. Mixed exam style questions			