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Psychology

Higher level

Paper 2

8 November 2023

Zone A afternoon | Zone B afternoon | Zone C afternoon

2 hours

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer two questions, each from a different option. Each question is worth **[22 marks]**.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[44 marks]**.

Answer **two** questions, each from a different option. Marks will be awarded for demonstration of knowledge and understanding (which requires the use of relevant psychological research), evidence of critical thinking (for example, application, analysis, synthesis, evaluation), and organization of answers.

Abnormal psychology

1. Discuss **one or more** ethical considerations related to research on factors influencing diagnosis.
2. Contrast the biological approach and the sociocultural approach to understanding the etiology of abnormal psychology.
3. Discuss **one** biological treatment **and one** psychological treatment for **one or more** disorders.

Developmental psychology

4. Discuss the impact of childhood trauma **and** resilience on development.
5. Evaluate **one or more** theories and/or studies relevant to the development of gender identity and/or social roles.
6. To what extent is development as a learner influenced by sociocultural factors?

Health psychology

7. Discuss the biopsychosocial model of health and well-being.
8. Discuss **one or more** explanations of health problems.
9. Discuss the effectiveness of **one or more** health promotion programmes.

Psychology of human relationships

10. Discuss **one or more** explanations for why relationships change and/or end.
 11. Evaluate **one or more** studies investigating origins of conflict and/or conflict resolution.
 12. To what extent is the understanding of social responsibility (by-standerism, prosocial behaviour) influenced by biological factors?
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