

VERSION 1
AS PSYCHOLOGY: PSYA1: COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY
RESEARCH METHODS INTEGRATED
 UNIT CONTENT: 27 Lessons (18 memory, 9 research methods)
New Specification

Topic Number	Lesson Number	Topic	No. of Lessons	
		Models of Memory		
		Introduction	1	
1	1	The Multi-Store Model of memory	1	
	2	Capacity	1	
	3	<i>RM: Choosing a research method</i>	1	
	4	Duration	1	
	5	<i>RM: Aims & hypotheses</i>	1	
	6	Encoding	1	
	7	<i>RM: Variables</i>	1	
	8	Strengths & Weaknesses of the Multi-Store Model	1	
2	1	The Working Memory Model	1	
	2	<i>RM: Experimental design</i>	1	
	3	Strengths & Weaknesses of the Working Memory Model	1	
	4	<i>RM: Graphs</i>	1	
	5	Summary/Review Exam technique - Short Answer Questions	1	
		Memory in Everyday Life		

		Introduction	1	
3	1	Eyewitness Testimony	1	
	2	<i>RM: Sampling</i>	1	
	3/4	Factors Affecting the accuracy of EWT including anxiety and age	2	
	5	<i>RM: Measures of central tendency Measures of dispersion</i>	1	
	6	Misleading information & the use of the cognitive interview	1	
4	1/2	Strategies for memory improvement	2	
	3	<i>RM: Surveys & interviews</i>	1	
	4	<i>RM: Qualitative analysis</i>	1	
	5	Summary/Review Exam Technique – long answer questions	1	
	6	Test	1	
Total Lessons			27	

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AS PSYCHOLOGY: PSYA1: DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY
RESEARCH METHODS INTEGRATED
 UNIT CONTENT: 27 Lessons (18 Attachments, 9 research methods)
New Specification

Topic Number	Lesson Number	Topic	No. of Lessons	
		Attachment		
		Introduction	1	
5	1/2	Explanations of Attachment – Learning Theory & Evolutionary Theory	2	
	3/4	Types of Attachment – secure & insecure attachment	2	
	5	<i>RM: Observational methods</i>	1	
	6	<i>RM: Reliability & Validity</i>	1	
	7	<i>RM: Exam technique</i>	1	
	8	Cultural variations in attachment	2	
6	1/2	Disruption to attachment	2	
	3	<i>RM: Case Study</i>	1	
	4/5	<i>RM: BPS Code of Ethics</i> <i>Ethical issues</i>	2	
	6	Summary/Review Exam Skills – short answer questions	1	
	7	<i>RM: Exam Skills</i>	1	
	8	Test	1	
		Attachment in everyday life		

		Introduction	1	
7	1/2	Impact of day care on social development	2	
	3	<i>RM: Correlational method</i>	1	
8	1/2	Implications of research for child care practices	2	
	3	Summary/Review Exam Skills – long answer questions, and timing	1	
	4	<i>RM: Summary/review</i>	1	
	5	Test	1	
Total lessons			27	

VERSION 2
AS PSYCHOLOGY: UNIT 1 : COGNITIVE PSYCHOLOGY
UNIT CONTENTS : 18 Lessons
New Specification

Topic Number	Topic	No. of Lessons	
	Models of Memory		
	Introduction	1	
1	The Multi-Store Model of memory	1	
	Encoding	1	
	Capacity	2	
	Duration	1	
	Strengths & Weaknesses of the Multi-Store Model	1	
2	The Working Memory Model	1	
	Strengths & Weaknesses of the Working Memory Model	1	
	Summary/Review	1	
	Memory in Everyday Life		
	Introduction	1	
3	Eyewitness Testimony	1	
	Factors Affecting the accuracy of EWT including anxiety and age	2	
4	Misleading information & the use of the cognitive interview	1	
5	Strategies for memory improvement	1	
	Summary/Review	1	
	Test	1	
	Total Lessons	18	

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Topic Number	Topic	No. of Lessons	
	Attachment		
	Introduction	1	
1	Explanations of Attachment – Learning Theory & Evolutionary Theory	2	
2	Types of Attachment – secure & insecure attachment	2	
3	Cultural variations in attachment	2	
4	Disruption to attachment	2	
	Summary/Review	1	
	Test	1	
	Attachment in everyday life		
	Introduction	1	
5	Impact of day care on social development	2	
6	Implications of research for child care practices	2	
	Summary/Review	1	
	Test	1	
	Total lessons	18	

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 UNIT CONTENTS : 18 Lessons
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Topic Number	Topic	No. of Lessons	
	Methods , Techniques & Design		
	Experimental method & design, including aims, hypotheses, operationalisation of variables, pilot studies, control of variables.	3	
	Correlational analysis	1	
	Observation techniques including design	1	
	Self-Report techniques, including interview & questionnaires including design	2	
	Case Studies	1	
	Reliability & Validity	1	
	BPS Code of Ethics	1	
	Ethical issues	2	
	Selection of participants & sampling techniques	1	
	Demand characteristics & investigator effects	1	
	Data Analysis & presentation		
	Graphs, scattergrams & tables	1	
	Analysis & interpretation of quantitative data		
	Analysis & interpretation of correlational data	1	
	Presentation of qualitative data		
	Processes involved in content analysis	1	
	Test	1	
	Total lessons	18	