

Introduction to Psychology

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Our Introduction to Psychology course is designed to help you understand the scientific study of the mind and behaviour. You will explore the biological, cognitive and social aspects of psychology, and how these interact to shape our thoughts and actions. The course is delivered by leading experts in the field, and includes a range of practical activities to help you apply your learning. You will also have the opportunity to undertake a research project, which will allow you to gain valuable experience in conducting psychological research. For more information, please visit our website: <https://www.brunel.ac.uk/psychology>

Sample lecture/coursework questions

1. A person who is unable to recall events that occurred before the age of 3 is said to have a/an _____ memory.
2. How does the brain process information? Explain the flow of information from the environment through the senses to the brain, and then to the muscles and glands.
3. Compare and contrast the functions of the cerebral cortex, cerebellum, and brainstem. What are the main differences between the two hemispheres of the brain?
4. Describe the role of the hypothalamus in the control of behaviour. How does it interact with the pituitary gland and the endocrine system?



Reading list

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For more information on APA style, please visit [our website](#).

Indicative content

Learn how to design and deliver a lesson plan that is effective and engaging for your students.

Learn how to manage a classroom that is safe, respectful, and conducive to learning.

Learn how to assess student learning and provide feedback that promotes growth and achievement.

Learn how to collaborate with colleagues and parents to support student learning and well-being.

Learn how to reflect on your own practice and seek out opportunities for professional development.