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Edexcel GCE

Psychology

Advanced

Unit 3: Applications of Psychology

Thursday 19 January 2012 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

6PS03/01

You do not need any other materials.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions from **two** of the four Sections: **A, B, C** and **D**.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an **asterisk (*)** are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
– *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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Answer ALL questions from TWO of the four Sections: A, B, C and D.

If you answer the questions in Section A put a cross in this box .

SECTION A: CRIMINOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Answer ALL questions.

If you answer a question on your practical investigation in more than one Section, make sure you refer to your **content analysis** in answering one and your **summary of two article sources** in answering the other.

A1 (a) Chris, a prison officer, has been involved in a prison-wide programme to improve offender behaviour. When they behave well and cooperate with prison staff, the offenders are given phone cards and extra home visits. This treatment is known as 'token economy'.

(i) Identify the psychological theory that 'token economy' is based on.

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Name of theory

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(ii) Chris is worried that a token economy programme will not improve the behaviour of the prisoners.

Outline **two** weaknesses with token economy programmes. You should relate the use of such programmes to prisons at least once in your answer.

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(b) (i) Outline **one** treatment/therapy that could be used to treat offender behaviour, **other than** token economy.

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(ii) Outline **one** weakness of the treatment/therapy you outlined in (b)(i).

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(Total for Question A1 = 9 marks)



A2 During your course you will have conducted a practical investigation on a topic in criminological psychology using **either** a content analysis **or** a summary of two article sources.

(a) What was the aim/purpose of your practical investigation?

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(b) A summary or a content analysis require different methods of gathering information to produce data. They also involve different ways of analysing/summarising the findings.

Describe how you went about gathering **and** analysing/summarising the data for your practical investigation.

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(c) Explain the findings (results and/or conclusions) you have drawn from your practical investigation. You must use psychological concepts (e.g. research and/or theories) that you have studied.

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***A3** Describe the methodology of **one** study you have learned about in criminological psychology **and** evaluate the study in terms of both practical applications and ethics.

Do **not** use Loftus and Palmer (1974).

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(Total for Question A3 = 12 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 30 MARKS



If you answer the questions in Section B put a cross in this box .

SECTION B: CHILD PSYCHOLOGY

Answer ALL questions.

If you answer a question on your practical investigation in more than one Section, make sure you refer to your **content analysis** in answering one and your **summary of two article sources** in answering the other.

B1 (a) John Bowlby's theory of parent-infant attachment is based on evolutionary principles, among others.

Outline what is meant by the evolutionary basis of attachment.

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(c) (i) Identify **one** study you have learned about in child psychology.

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(ii) Outline **one** strength of the study you identified in (c)(i).

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TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 30 MARKS



C2 During your course you will have studied the investigation conducted by Blättler et al (2002).

(a) State **one** aim of Blättler et al's study.

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(b) Blättler et al (2002) used standardised procedures as controls to ensure that the participants experienced similar conditions during the study.

Outline **two** ways that Blättler et al used controls in their study.

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(c) Evaluate Blättler et al's (2002) study in terms of **either** generalisability **or** ethics.

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TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 30 MARKS



If you answer the questions in Section D put a cross in this box .

SECTION D: SPORT PSYCHOLOGY

Answer ALL questions.

If you answer a question on your practical investigation in more than one Section, make sure you refer to your **content analysis** in answering one and your **summary of two article sources** in answering the other.

D1 (a) Define the term 'arousal' as it is used in psychology.

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(c) (i) Identify **one** study you have learned about in sport psychology.

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(ii) Outline **one** strength of the study you identified in (c)(i).

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TOTAL FOR SECTION D = 30 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 60 MARKS

