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# Psychology

**International Advanced Subsidiary**  
**Paper 2: Biological Psychology, Learning**  
**Theories and Development**

Thursday 17 May 2018 – Afternoon

**Time: 2 hours**

Paper Reference

**WPS02/01**

**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.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*

## Information

- The total mark for this paper is 96.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The list of formulae and statistical tables are printed at the start of this paper.
- Candidates may use a calculator.

## Advice

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

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## FORMULAE AND STATISTICAL TABLES

### Standard deviation (sample estimate)

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}\right)}$$

### Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

$$1 - \frac{6 \sum d^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

### Critical values for Spearman's rank

N	Level of significance for a one-tailed test				
	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005	0.0025
N	Level of significance for a two-tailed test				
	0.10	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005
5	0.900	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
6	0.829	0.886	0.943	1.000	1.000
7	0.714	0.786	0.893	0.929	0.964
8	0.643	0.738	0.833	0.881	0.905
9	0.600	0.700	0.783	0.833	0.867
10	0.564	0.648	0.745	0.794	0.830
11	0.536	0.618	0.709	0.755	0.800
12	0.503	0.587	0.678	0.727	0.769
13	0.484	0.560	0.648	0.703	0.747
14	0.464	0.538	0.626	0.679	0.723
15	0.446	0.521	0.604	0.654	0.700
16	0.429	0.503	0.582	0.635	0.679
17	0.414	0.485	0.566	0.615	0.662
18	0.401	0.472	0.550	0.600	0.643
19	0.391	0.460	0.535	0.584	0.628
20	0.380	0.447	0.520	0.570	0.612
21	0.370	0.435	0.508	0.556	0.599
22	0.361	0.425	0.496	0.544	0.586
23	0.353	0.415	0.486	0.532	0.573
24	0.344	0.406	0.476	0.521	0.562
25	0.337	0.398	0.466	0.511	0.551
26	0.331	0.390	0.457	0.501	0.541
27	0.324	0.382	0.448	0.491	0.531
28	0.317	0.375	0.440	0.483	0.522
29	0.312	0.368	0.433	0.475	0.513
30	0.306	0.362	0.425	0.467	0.504

The calculated value must be equal to or exceed the critical value in this table for significance to be shown.



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**Chi-squared distribution formula**

$$X^2 = \sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$$

$$df = (r - 1)(c - 1)$$

**Critical values for chi-squared distribution**

df	Level of significance for a one-tailed test					
	0.10	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005	0.0005
df	Level of significance for a two-tailed test					
	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.001
1	1.64	2.71	3.84	5.02	6.64	10.83
2	3.22	4.61	5.99	7.38	9.21	13.82
3	4.64	6.25	7.82	9.35	11.35	16.27
4	5.99	7.78	9.49	11.14	13.28	18.47
5	7.29	9.24	11.07	12.83	15.09	20.52
6	8.56	10.65	12.59	14.45	16.81	22.46
7	9.80	12.02	14.07	16.01	18.48	24.32
8	11.03	13.36	15.51	17.54	20.09	26.12
9	12.24	14.68	16.92	19.02	21.67	27.88
10	13.44	15.99	18.31	20.48	23.21	29.59
11	14.63	17.28	19.68	21.92	24.73	31.26
12	15.81	18.55	21.03	23.34	26.22	32.91
13	16.99	19.81	22.36	24.74	27.69	34.53
14	18.15	21.06	23.69	26.12	29.14	36.12
15	19.31	22.31	25.00	27.49	30.58	37.70
16	20.47	23.54	26.30	28.85	32.00	39.25
17	21.62	24.77	27.59	30.19	33.41	40.79
18	22.76	25.99	28.87	31.53	34.81	42.31
19	23.90	27.20	30.14	32.85	36.19	43.82
20	25.04	28.41	31.41	34.17	37.57	45.32
21	26.17	29.62	32.67	35.48	38.93	46.80
22	27.30	30.81	33.92	36.78	40.29	48.27
23	28.43	32.01	35.17	38.08	41.64	49.73
24	29.55	33.20	36.42	39.36	42.98	51.18
25	30.68	34.38	37.65	40.65	44.31	52.62
26	31.80	35.56	38.89	41.92	45.64	54.05
27	32.91	36.74	40.11	43.20	46.96	55.48
28	34.03	37.92	41.34	44.46	48.28	56.89
29	35.14	39.09	42.56	45.72	49.59	58.30
30	36.25	40.26	43.77	46.98	50.89	59.70
40	47.27	51.81	55.76	59.34	63.69	73.40
50	58.16	63.17	67.51	71.42	76.15	86.66
60	68.97	74.40	79.08	83.30	88.38	99.61
70	79.72	85.53	90.53	95.02	100.43	112.32

The calculated value must be equal to or exceed the critical value in this table for significance to be shown.



### Wilcoxon Signed Ranks test process

- Calculate the difference between two scores by taking one from the other
- Rank the differences giving the smallest difference Rank 1

Note: do not rank any differences of 0 and when adding the number of scores, do not count those with a difference of 0, and ignore the signs when calculating the difference

- Add up the ranks for positive differences
- Add up the ranks for negative differences
- T is the figure that is the smallest when the ranks are totalled (may be positive or negative)
- N is the number of scores left, ignore those with 0 difference

### Critical values for the Wilcoxon Signed Ranks test

<i>n</i>	Level of significance for a one-tailed test		
	0.05	0.025	0.01
	Level of significance for a two-tailed test		
	0.1	0.05	0.02
N=5	0	-	-
6	2	0	-
7	3	2	0
8	5	3	1
9	8	5	3
10	11	8	5
11	13	10	7
12	17	13	9

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**SECTION A**

**BIOLOGICAL PSYCHOLOGY**

**Answer ALL questions in this section. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

- 1** Synaptic transmission occurs throughout the body, including in the brain.

Describe what is meant by 'synaptic transmission'.

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**(Total for Question 1 = 3 marks)**



2 Oti carried out an experiment to determine the effects of drinking coffee on behaviour.

- In Condition A participants were given a puzzle to complete.
- In Condition B the same participants were given a cup of coffee to drink and then asked to complete the same puzzle again.

Oti timed how many seconds it took the participants to complete the puzzle in Condition A and Condition B.

(a) State a fully operationalised directional (one-tailed) hypothesis for the experiment Oti carried out.

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Oti's results are shown in **Table 1**.

<b>Condition A</b>	<b>Condition B</b>
<b>Mean number of seconds taken to complete the puzzle before drinking coffee</b>	<b>Mean number of seconds taken to complete the puzzle after drinking coffee</b>
360	600

**Table 1**

(b) Interpret the results of this experiment, using the data from **Table 1**.

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Oti carried out a statistical test to determine whether her results were significant or not.

(c) State which statistical test Oti would have used for her data. (1)

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(d) Explain **one** improvement Oti could have made to her experiment. (2)

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(b) Explain **one** strength and **one** weakness of brain functioning as an explanation for Anastacia's aggression.

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- 4 Gorka carried out a study that looked at the effect of age on the number of minutes children slept per night during a week. He compared a group of 1- to 5-year olds, a group of 6- to 10-year olds and a group of 11- to 15-year olds.

Gorka's results are shown in **Table 2**.

Age range in years	Mean number of minutes slept per night
1- to 5-year olds	660
6- to 10-year olds	600
11- to 15-year olds	540

**Table 2**

- (a) Calculate the ratio of minutes slept for 1- to 5-year olds compared to minutes slept for 6- to 10-year olds.

You **must** express this ratio in its lowest form.

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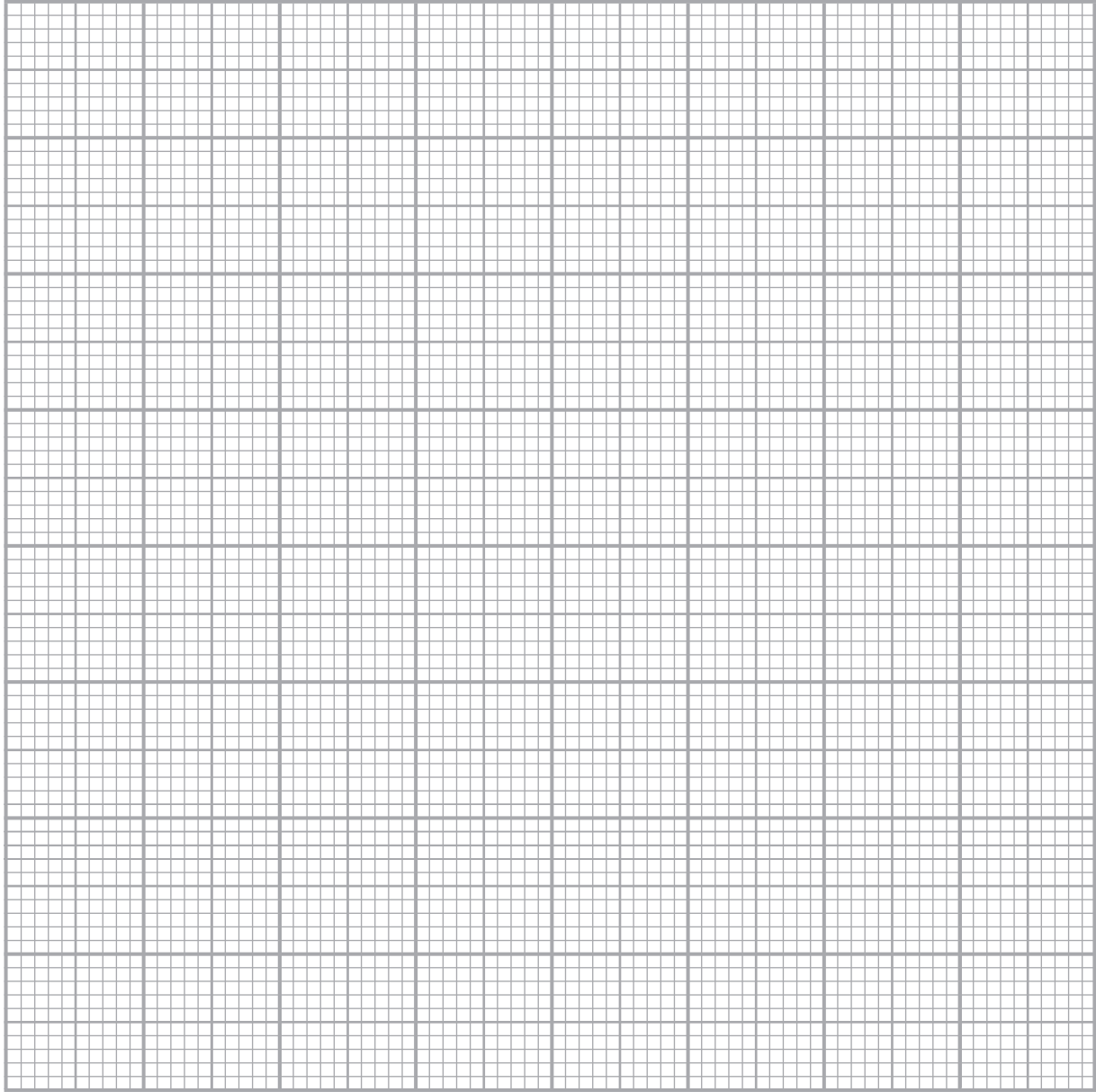
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(b) Draw a suitable graph to represent the data shown in **Table 2**.

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(c) Explain **one** weakness of the mean as a measure of central tendency.

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5 Evaluate research into the role of hormones in aggression.

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(Total for Question 5 = 8 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 34 MARKS**





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**SECTION B**

**LEARNING THEORIES AND DEVELOPMENT.**

**Answer ALL questions in this section. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

**6** Ore observed his father painting a picture of a local scene. When the painting was finished Ore's mother praised his father and said how good the painting was. Ore decides to try and paint the same local scene.

(a) Explain, using social learning theory, why Ore's father is a role model for Ore.

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(b) Describe, using social learning theory, what may have motivated Ore to try and paint the same local scene as his father.

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Ore also likes to be outside playing cricket with his friends. His mother gives Ore his favourite food when he comes back home after playing cricket.

- (c) Describe, using positive reinforcement, **one** reason why Ore likes to be outside playing cricket with his friends.

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**(Total for Question 6 = 6 marks)**



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7 Aljaz carried out a study to investigate whether the use of an electric shock would teach pigeons not to peck at a circle. He placed one pigeon at a time in a box that contained a circle on one of the walls. When they pecked at a circle, the pigeons either received an electric shock or did not receive an electric shock.

- In Condition A, pigeons did not get an electric shock if they pecked at the circle.
- In Condition B, pigeons did get an electric shock if they pecked at the circle.

On the following day, the pigeons were placed in the box again. Aljaz recorded how many pigeons pecked at the circle and how many pigeons did not peck at the circle. The results are shown in **Table 3**.

	Number of pigeons that did not peck at a circle	Number of pigeons that pecked at a circle
<b>Condition A</b>		
<b>Did not get electric shock</b>	13	20
<b>Condition B</b>		
<b>Did get electric shock</b>	22	5

**Table 3**

(a) Calculate *df* using **Table 3**.

The formula can be found in the formulae and statistical tables at the front of the exam paper.

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**Space for calculations**

*df* = .....



(b) Calculate the chi-squared for the data gathered by Aljaz by completing **Table 4**.

You should give your answer to **two** decimal places.

The formula can be found in the formulae and statistical tables at the front of the exam paper.

		Observed	Expected	O-E	(O-E) <sup>2</sup>	(O-E) <sup>2</sup> /E
<b>Condition A</b> <b>Did not get electric shock</b>	Did not peck at circle	13	19.25			
	Pecked at circle	20	13.75			
<b>Condition B</b> <b>Did get electric shock</b>	Did not peck at circle	22	15.75			
	Pecked at circle	5	11.25			
<b>Chi-squared =</b>						

**Table 4**

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(c) Describe **two** ethical issues, using the Scientific Procedures Act (1986), regarding the use of animals in laboratory experiments.

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(d) Explain **one** weakness with generalising results from an animal study to humans.

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**(Total for Question 7 = 11 marks)**







9 Assess the effectiveness of systematic desensitisation as a treatment/therapy.

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(Total for Question 9 = 8 marks)

**TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 34 MARKS**



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**SECTION C**

**Answer ALL questions in this section. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

**10** To what extent does light therapy work effectively for people diagnosed with seasonal affective disorder?

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**(Total for Question 11 = 16 marks)**

**TOTAL FOR SECTION C = 28 MARKS**

**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 96 MARKS**

