

# ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE

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**PSYCHOLOGY** 

Core Studies 1

**THURSDAY 10 JANUARY 2008** 

Morning

Time: 1 hour

Each candidate must be given:

1. One copy of this question paper;

2. One 8-page answer booklet

Additional materials: 4-page answer books may be issued to candidates who require them.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer all the questions.

## **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks for each question is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 60.
- You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where an answer requires a
  piece of extended writing.



This document consists of 4 printed pages.

#### Answer all questions.

## **Cognitive Psychology**

- 1 From the study by Loftus and Palmer, outline **one** limitation of the laboratory method used to investigate memory. [2]
- 2 In the study by Baron-Cohen, Leslie and Frith, autistic children were studied.
  - (a) Identify the other two groups of children who were studied.

[2]

**(b)** Explain why it was necessary to have these other groups.

[2]

- 3 Outline one ethical implication of teaching Washoe to use sign language in the study by Gardner and Gardner.
  [2]
- 4 Deregowski describes various experiments on pictorial perception carried out in Africa.

Outline the procedure for **two** of these experiments.

[4]

## **Developmental Psychology**

- **5** From the study by Bandura, Ross and Ross on imitation of aggression:
  - (a) Identify two of the independent variables in this study.

[2]

**(b)** Outline **one** weakness of conducting this study on children.

[2]

- From the study by Hodges and Tizard, identify **two** differences in the quality of relationships experienced by the ex-institutional adolescents and the control group. [2]
- 7 Outline **one** way in which the study by Freud on little Hans may have been biased.

[2]

**8** The table below shows some of the results from the study by Samuel and Bryant on conservation.

Outline **two** conclusions that could be drawn from this table.

[4]

#### Mean errors made in each condition across materials

Age	Standard	One judgement	Fixed array
5yr	9	7	7
5yr 6yr	6	4	6
7yr	3	3	5
8yr	2	1	6

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### Physiological Psychology

- 9 Identify two measurements that were taken in the study on sleep and dreaming by Dement and Kleitman.
  [2]
- **10** From the study by Sperry on split brain patients:
  - (a) Identify **two** ways in which information could be sent to the left hemisphere. [2]
  - **(b)** Outline **one** difficulty Sperry may have experienced in attempting to present information to one hemisphere in the split brain patients. [2]
- 11 From the study on murderers' brains by Raine, Buschbaum and LaCasse, outline how the PET scans worked. [2]
- 12 Outline **two** ways in which the study by Schachter and Singer on emotions lacked ecological validity. [4]

## **Social Psychology**

- 13 From the study on obedience by Milgram, suggest **one** reason why the participants were given a sample shock. [2]
- **14** From the subway study by Piliavin, Rodin and Piliavin:
  - (a) Outline one finding about the helping behaviour of the bystanders. [2]
  - (b) Outline one difficulty that may have been experienced conducting this field experiment. [2]
- 15 Suggest one way in which the study conducted by Tajfel could be considered reductionist. [2]
- Outline **two** pieces of evidence that suggest that the guards enjoyed their role in the prison simulation by Haney, Banks and Zimbardo. [4]

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## **Individual Differences**

17	From the study by Gould, explain why the military recruits were given IQ tests.	[2]		
18	From the study by Hraba and Grant on racial preference:			
	(a) Identify two features of their sample.	[2]		
	(b) Outline one reason why it could be difficult to generalise from this sample.	[2]		
19	From the study by Rosenhan (sane in insane places):	[0]		
	(a) Describe one type of data that was gathered.	[2]		
	(b) Outline one advantage of this type of data.	[2]		
20	Identify <b>two</b> methods used to collect data in the study by Thigpen and Cleckley on methods personality disorder.	ultiple [2]		

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