



14-19 CHANGES  
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# AS/A Level Psychology for first teaching from September 2008

## New and improved support

The OCR Psychology A Level course has been redeveloped in response to feedback obtained in extensive consultation with teachers. As well as revising the specification, special attention has also been given to approving the support available to teachers and students.

### New and improved support includes:

- **Overarching scheme of work:** topic outlines, suggested teaching and homework activities, suggested resources and points to note. Available from the OCR website in Word, enabling teachers to adapt to their own needs. ★ NEW
- **Sample lesson plans:** detailed breakdowns of suggested teaching formats for the more difficult concepts within the unit(s). Available from the OCR website in Word, enabling teachers to adapt to their own needs. ★ NEW
- **Exemplar candidate work:** real learner answers to Specimen Assessment Materials, including indicative marks and examiner commentaries. ★ NEW
- **Teacher guidance documents:** accompanies the specification and includes a summary of the resources available, progression from AS to A2, opportunities for 'stretch and challenge', useful websites and wider reading. ★ IMPROVED

*All the above items will be available from autumn 2007 with the exception of exemplar candidate work which will be available in January 2008, and can be found via the OCR website [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk)*

### A Level Psychology e-community

Need advice from fellow teachers? Developed resources you would like to share? Join the Psychology A Level OCR community where you can share ideas and resources with other OCR centres.

[Click here to join the e-community](#)

## Heinemann: official publisher partner for OCR Psychology



Heinemann and OCR are working together to provide better support for you in Psychology.

### What are Heinemann publishing?

#### Student Books

AS Book: March 2008

A2 Book: September 2008



- **The books are tailored to the new specification.**
- **Comprehensive support for core studies** helping to engage learners and bring the core studies to life.
- Learner-friendly **Exam Café** sections give learners a motivating way to prepare thoroughly for their exams.
- Lots of **inspiring activities** for use in class or for homework, helping to add variety to your lessons.
- Plus – free in the back of every book: an **Exam Café CD-ROM for Students** – a wealth of extra exam preparation in an exciting interactive format.

#### Planning and Delivery Resources with CD-ROMs

AS Resource: March 2008

A2 Resource: September 2008

These resources make it quick and easy for you to plan varied, active lessons. Because Heinemann is working closely with OCR, the materials complement OCR's scheme of work:

- The printed packs include teacher's notes and guidance for every unit, worksheets and sample lesson plans to inspire you.
- The CD-ROMs give you interactive materials to inspire your learners as well as customisable versions of all the Planning and Delivery Resource sheets, so you can tailor them to meet your own needs.

### Contact our customer contact team

OCR's team of knowledgeable advisors can deal with all your queries. For enquiries about our A Level Qualifications, call **01223 553998** or email **general.qualifications@ocr.org.uk**

To receive the very **latest information** on A Level psychology by email, register at **www.ocr.org.uk/14-19signup**

Visit our website for all the most up-to-date information – **www.ocr.org.uk**

### Revision Guides

Coming in 2009 – watch this space!

For more information, contact Heinemann at **01865 888080** or visit **www.harcourt.co.uk/psychology**

### More INSET training then ever before

**Get Ready** – **FREE** half day events designed to give you an overview of the new OCR specifications.

**Get Started** – full day sessions will give guidance and support in planning to teach the new AS/A Level specifications.

Places are allocated on a first come first serve basis – so if you're interested in attending one of these events visit **www.ocr.org.uk/training**, email **training@ocr.org.uk** or telephone **024 76 496398**.

### New Resources

★ **NEW**

The British Psychological Society's Research Digest is packed with engaging reports on the latest psychological findings from around the world. It provides a host of useful weblinks, free online psychology-related magazine articles, and much more.

It is delivered in the form of a fortnightly email, which highlights how the research reports relate to the A Level syllabus.

To subscribe to the email and view the daily blog, see **www.researchdigest.org.uk/blog**. Also, if you visit **www.researchdigest.org.uk/ocr**, you will find a special posting relating to the OCR core studies element, including resources and comment from the original authors.

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