

Vocationally Related Qualification
Advanced Level Examination

2006

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN COUNSELLING
Unit 2 Therapeutic Practice

V22W



STUDY OF SUPERVISED COUNSELLING PRACTICE

Information for Tutors

- Do **not** mark the candidates' work.
- The completed study to be submitted to AQA by **31 January 2006** for the Winter series and **30 June 2006** for the Summer series. Failure to do so will result in the study being referred.
- Ensure that a Candidate Record Form (CRF) is attached to the front of each candidate's submission.

Information for Candidates

- Read the instructions overleaf.
- State which core model you are working to.
- The maximum mark for this Study is 100.

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The study includes a synoptic assessment, which will test the candidates' knowledge and understanding of counselling practice and practises.

The candidate must state at the outset which of the following core models he or she is working to:

- Humanistic
- Psychodynamic
- Cognitive-Behavioural

Complete an academic study, in essay form, of 8, one to one, clinically supervised counselling sessions. With particular reference to:

- a) your own experiences of supervised counselling;
and
- b) your chosen theoretical approach to counselling.

Other Instructions for Candidates

1 State clearly which of the following theoretical approaches to counselling you have worked from:

- 1.1 Humanistic
- 1.2 Psychodynamic
- 1.3 Cognitive-Behavioural

2 Write within the stated word limit

- 2.1 Observe the maximum word limit of 2500.
- 2.2 Direct quotations from appropriate texts must be clearly identified and these are not included in the word limit.
- 2.3 For assessment purposes the maximum word limit will be strictly applied. In the event that you exceed 2500 words (excluding direct quotations) the assessor will only consider the first 2500 words.

3 Presentation

- 3.1 A4 size paper only.
- 3.2 Word-processed or Typed with double spacing on one side only.
- 3.3 Number each page on the bottom right hand corner.
- 3.4 Leave margins of at least 12mm (½ inch) on both sides of each page.
- 3.5 Bind the pages in order with candidate record form in front. (Work which is not suitably held together will be returned to the centre unmarked.)
- 3.6 A bibliography or reading list to be included, as an appendix (not included in the word limit).
- 3.7 State the number of words used.
- 3.8 Attach a Candidate Record form (CRF).

4 Confidentiality

- 4.1 Ensure that clients are protected and are neither identified nor identifiable within the text of your study.
- 4.2 Use fictitious names "the client, whom I shall call ..." or codes such as "Client A" to ensure that the code of confidentiality is not breached.

5 Assessment

5.1 Your work will be awarded a single grade of either pass **(P)** or refer **(R)**.

5.2 In establishing a grade the examiners will mark the work in strict accordance with the following scheme:

		Marks
(a)	Identify and evaluate key concepts of the core model.	25
(b)	Reflect on challenges to and limitations of the core model.	10
(c)	Show developing self-awareness in relation to the core model.	15
(d)	Understand the skills of contracting with clients and forming a therapeutic relationship.	20
(e)	Work ethically over the contracted period with clients.	10
(f)	Analysis and evaluation.	10
(g)	Presentation.	10