

EDEXCEL Paper 1 Exam Analysis



COGNITIVE

2026

Tulving's explanation of long-term memory – scenario (3)

Draw a histogram – scenario (3)

Interpret the skew in the histogram – scenario (1)

Strength of repeated measures design – scenario (2)

One improvement – scenario (2)

Evaluate Baddeley's study (8)

2025

Two features of STM used in the MSM of memory (2)

Dependent variable – scenario (1)

Draw a bar chart – scenario (3)

Evaluation of case study method in LTM – scenario (4)

Working memory model – scenario (8)

2024

Developmental influence on memory (2)

Individual difference that influences memory (2)

Multi-store model of memory – scenario (2)

Limitation of multi-store model of memory – scenario (2)

Evaluate use of experiments in memory (8)

2023

State operationalised IV and DV in own practical (2)

Two strengths of own practical (4)

One improvement to own practical (2)

Reconstructive memory – scenario (8)

2022

IV/ DV -scenario (2)

Calculate the Mann-Whitney U test – scenario (4)

Interpret the Mann Whitney U test (1)

Working Memory Model (3)

Evaluate contemporary study (8)

2021

Reconstructive memory – scenario (2)

Strength and weakness of reconstructive memory – scenario (4)

Stratified sampling – scenario (2)

Which statistical test is appropriate (2)

Evaluate the Multi-Store Model of Memory (8)

2020

Working Memory Model – scenario (2)

Semantic memory (2)

Strength of Tulving LTM (2)

Calculate Wilcoxon test – scenario (4)

Interpret Wilcoxon result (1)

Assess case studies of brain-damaged patients (8)



2019

Semantic memory (2)

Two findings of Baddeley (1966b) (2)

Two weaknesses of Baddeley (1966b) (4)

Key Question for cognitive (8)

2018

Calculate mean (1)

Choose a stats test (2)

Strength of quantitative data (2)

Schema Theory – scenario (4)

Evaluate the working memory model (8)

2017

Multi-store model of memory (4)

Calculate range (2)

Calculate standard deviation (4)

Usefulness of experiments (8)

Specimen Practice Papers

Calculate mean (2)

Calculate Wilcoxon test (4)

Significance of Wilcoxon result (2)

Usefulness of case studies (e.g. HM) (8)

Reconstructive memory (4)

Care for brain damaged patients (3)

Independent Groups Design (1)

Choosing a statistical test (2)

Multi-store model of memory (8)



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