

EDEXCEL Paper 1 Exam Analysis



ISSUES & DEBATES

2026

Assess the extent to which biological psychology has developed over time (8)

Evaluate knowledge from social and cognitive psychology – scenario (12)

2025

Discuss practical issues in the design and implementation of learning theories practical (8)

Evaluate whether social and cognitive can be considered scientific (12)

2024

Assess ethical issues in research in biological (8)

To what extent is the research socially sensitive in social and cognitive (12)

2023

Assess ethical issues when using animals in research in the learning theories (8)

Evaluate knowledge from cognitive Psychology – scenario (12)

2022

Assess how far learning theories can be considered reductionist (8)

To what extent does nurture influence cognitive and biological Psychology (12)

2021

Practical issues in the design and implementation of your social practical investigation (8)

Evaluate the use of psychological knowledge from cognitive Psychology and learning theories in society (12)

2020

Assess how learning theories have changed over time (8)

Evaluate issues of social control from social and biological Psychology (12)

2019

How far research from social and cognitive Psychology can be considered ethical (8)

The extent to which biological Psychology is scientific (12)

2018

Practical issues in research in learning theories and biological Psychology (8)

Social Psychology and cognitive Psychology consider human behaviour to be determined by nurture (12)

2017

Cognitive approach reductionist (8)

Evaluate knowledge from social and biological approach – scenario (12)

Specimen Practice Papers

Evaluate socially sensitive research (social and biological) (8)

Psychology understanding of behaviour (12)

Scientific status of Sherif (1954/1961) and Baddeley (1966b) (8)

Evaluation of reductionism in biological and learning theories (12)





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