


# A Level Psychology

**H567/03** Applied psychology

**Mock Exam Paper January 2019**

**Time allowed: 2 hours**



**You must have:**

* Paper for your answers

## INSTRUCTIONS

* Use black ink.
* Section A: Answer **all** the questions in this section.
* Section B: Choose **two** options and answer **all** parts of the question in the options you have chosen.
* Write your answers on lined paper. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
* Do **not** write in the barcodes.

## INFORMATION

* The total mark for this paper is **105**.
* The marks for each question are shown in brackets **[ ]**.
* Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
* This document consists of **2 sides**.

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## SECTION A: Issues in mental health

Answer **all** the questions in Section A.

1. Outline **one** historical view of mental illness. **[2]**
2. Outline **one** way of defining abnormality. **[2]**
3. Discuss the usefulness of the key research by **Gottesman et al. (2010)**. **[10]**
4. Outline the cognitive explanation of mental illness. **[5]**
5. Discuss one strength and one weakness of the cognitive explanation of mental illness.  **[6]**
6. Discuss the extent to which explanations of mental illness are socially sensitive. **[10]**

## SECTION B: Options

Choose two options and answer all parts of the question in the options you have chosen.

**OPTION 1: Child psychology**

1. **(**a)\* Using the research by **Barkley-Levenson et al. (2014),** explain the relationship

between brain development and risk taking behaviour. **[10]**

(b)\* Discuss methodological issues involved in research into pre-adult brain

development. **[15]**

Max has just passed his driving test and often breaks the speed limit. He enjoys

driving fast and even a police warning has not stopped him. Max’s parents have

tried to punish him for this behaviour but their interventions have not been successful.

(c)\* Outline one strategy that a psychologist could use to reduce Max’s risk-taking

behaviour.  **[10]**

## OPTION 2: Criminal psychology

1. **(a)\*** Using the research by **Memon and Higham (1999)**, explain how evidence is collected from witnesses and suspects. **[10]**

**(b)\*** Discuss the free will - determinism debate in relation to research into the collection of

evidence from witnesses. **[15]**

After reading Memon and Higham (1999), the head of the Metropolitan Police Service

concluded that *‘interviewers differ in their ability and motivation to conduct a good interview’.*

**(c)**\* What strategy/ies for police interviews might a psychologist suggest to the head of

the Metropolitan Police Service? **[10]**

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**