



## A-Level Psychology: Transition Work

Welcome to Psychology! To help give you an understanding of this new topic, we would like you to complete the following tasks. The tasks consist of classic studies that you will be studying this year and background information about what psychologists do. All of the work needs to be completed in your **own words** and **ready for your first lesson** when you return in September. If you have any problems you can email [ismith@clcc.college](mailto:ismith@clcc.college) We look forward to seeing you in September.

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### What Is Psychology?

Have a look at the British Psychology Society's (BPS) website and read through the 'Introduction to Psychology' and 'A-Z of Psychology Terms' sections. You can access these via the 'Psychology and the Public' tab. Create a glossary of the following terms and revise their definitions, as you will be tested on them during your induction period!



Psychology  
Clinical Psychology  
Counselling Psychology  
Educational Psychology  
Forensic Psychology  
Health Psychology

Occupational Psychology  
Neuropsychology  
Sports and Exercise Psychology  
Teachers / Researchers in Psychology  
Counselling  
Psychiatry

### Classical Studies

Use the [www.simplypsychology.org](http://www.simplypsychology.org) website to read through the following pieces of classic research:

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|------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Pavlov (1902)          | Classical Conditioning      | Pavlov's Dogs  |
| Bandura (1961)         | Social Learning Theory      | Bobo Doll's  |
| Harlow (1958)          | Social Isolation Experiment | Harlow's Monkeys   |
| Loftus & Palmer (1974) | Eye Witness Testimony       | Car Crash Experiment One                                 |
| Zimbardo (1973)        | Conformity to Social Role   | Stanford Prison Experiment                               |
|                        |                             | <a href="http://www.prisonexp.org">www.prisonexp.org</a> |

You will then need to create a revision booklet, set out in the format below, so that you can review your research when each study is looked at in class. Your booklet will be marked for its level of detail, attractiveness and clarity; it therefore must be in **your own words!**

**Aims:** What was it trying to find out?

**Procedures:** What did the researchers actually do?

**Findings:** What were the results?

**Conclusions:** Do the findings support the original aims of the experiment?

**Evaluation:** What were the strengths and weaknesses of the study? Has the study been replicated?

