

WJEC AS/A Level Psychology

Newsletter – Autumn 2022

I hope the new school year has started well for you and your learners. I just wanted to share a few updates with you that might prove helpful.

Personal Investigations Titles Update

Just to confirm that the titles for the Personal Investigations for Summer 2024 and Summer 2025 have been added to page 26 of the specification.

Assessment	Investigation one	Investigation two
Summer 2022	An experiment on helping behaviour.	An interview on the use of social media.
Summer 2023	A content analysis of anti-social behaviour in the media.	A questionnaire on pet ownership and stress.
Summer 2024	An experiment on a context dependent memory task.	A non-participant observation of mobile phone use.
Summer 2025	A quasi-experiment on age and sleep.	A correlational study involving a Stroop test.

Ever thought about becoming a Psychology examiner?

Although the Summer 2022 series has only just ended, we are starting to recruit Examiners for the AS and A Level units in Psychology in Summer 2023.

We will provide you with all the training and support that you need in order to effectively examine our qualifications. In addition, you will receive the following benefits. You will:

- gain an insight into the examining process
- receive invaluable Continual Professional Development (CPD)
- enjoy opportunities to network with experienced professionals
- enhance your teaching skills and knowledge of your subject
- gain an extra source of income.

For further information about these vacancies, please visit our [Appointees page](https://www.wjec.co.uk/appointees) [Appointees \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk) or for a more informal chat about becoming an Examiner, please contact us at psychology@wjec.co.uk

Upcoming CPD

We have a variety of upcoming CPD events for GCE Psychology, including face to face and online events.

Please go to the Subject Page>Training>Upcoming Courses or click on this link [AS/A Level Psychology \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk/AS/A-Level-Psychology) to access more details about these events.

Talking Shop

As part of our commitment to supporting centres in Wales, we are offering an opportunity for teachers to join free Talking Shop events, to put questions to our subject teams and to network with other teachers. Once registered, you can join for the whole session or just drop-in.

Our Talking Shops will be hosted by the WJEC Subject Officer. There will be no pre-determined agenda and (within the constraints of regulations) will be an open discussion including questions and answers, and an opportunity for teachers to talk to other teachers.

If you are interested in taking part in a Talking Shop even this term, please let us know at psychology@wjec.co.uk

Other ways of keeping in touch

If you are unable to join us at our Talking Shop this term, we have a variety of ways in which you can keep in touch with us and other teachers of WJEC GCE Psychology:

Centre Maps - This is a sign-up service that, after sharing your centre's information, allows you to access a Google Map of centres in Wales that offer WJEC Psychology (it also shows the centres offering the Eduqas specification in England).

Facebook - Keep in touch with other teachers of the WJEC and Eduqas Psychology specifications using this social media platform.

Email - We are of course always happy to receive queries from teachers at psychology@wjec.co.uk

Caroline and I hope that the remainder of this term runs smoothly for you and, as ever, if you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

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