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INTERNATIONAL A-LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY

Unit 4 Approaches and application

Tuesday 16 January 2024 07:00 GMT Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

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- a calculator, which you are expected to use where appropriate.

Instructions

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Section A: Approaches in Psychology

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Which **two** of the following researchers are best associated with the behaviourist approach in psychology?

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[2 marks]

A Bandura

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B Ellis

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C Pavlov

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D Piaget

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E Skinner

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Jenny keeps the food for her dog in a large container. She keeps the food for her cat in a small container. When Jenny takes out the large container her dog begins to salivate. However, this does not happen when she takes out the small container.

Use your knowledge of classical conditioning to explain the dog's behaviour when Jenny takes out the large container **and** when she takes out the small container.

[4 marks]

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Briefly outline the biological approach in psychology.

[2 marks]

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A study was conducted into the role of schemas in memory. Participants were asked to listen to a story that came from a different culture. They were then asked to recall the story. The stories that were recalled were much shorter than the original story, because lots of the cultural details had been left out.

Using your knowledge of the role of schemas, explain the results of this study.

[4 marks]

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Evaluate the cognitive approach.

[6 marks]



Arlo's father is baking a cake. Arlo, who is 3 years old, has his own bowl of ingredients. When his father mixes his ingredients with a spoon, Arlo watches carefully. Then Arlo gets a spoon and mixes the ingredients in his bowl.

[12 marks]

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Section B: Issues and Debates in Psychology

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Palika notices that people seem to be happier when the sun is shining than when it rains. She thinks that scores on a test of happiness will be higher when people are tested on days when the sun is shining, than when they are tested on days when it rains.

She decides to investigate her idea that being in the sun makes people happy.

Use your knowledge of theory construction **and** hypothesis testing to explain how Palika might carry out her investigation.

[4 marks]



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Explain **one** strength and **one** limitation of using the empirical method in psychology.
[6 marks]

Strength _____

Limitation _____

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Discuss the nature-nurture debate in psychology. Refer to **two** topics you have studied in your answer.

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Section C: Applied Psychology: Work and the Individual

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Kyle has observed a lesson given by a teacher in his department. Kyle has some ideas about how the teacher could improve his teaching. As he has very little time, Kyle decides to send his ideas to the teacher in an email, rather than having a meeting together.

Using your knowledge of the effects of email communication, explain why it might be better for Kyle to give his ideas for improvement in a meeting together rather than in an email.

[3 marks]

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Briefly explain **two** limitations of research studies into cultural differences in personal space.

[4 marks]

Limitation 1 _____

Limitation 2 _____



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Researchers looked at the stress-related illness records for two groups of workers. They counted the number of days the workers were absent.

Group A (low control): the workers were given a work schedule to follow.

Group B (high control): the workers arranged their own work schedules.

Table 1 shows the stress-related illness records for the two groups of workers.

Table 1 The number of days absent due to stress-related illness

Group A (low control)	Group B (high control)
180 days	64 days

Using your knowledge of the effects of workload and control on stress, explain the findings in **Table 1**.

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