

Year 11 Transition Work...Welcome to BTEC Psychology!



The Social Sciences department at Wombourne High School would like you to develop an understanding of Psychology and Psychological issues before you embark on your course in September by exploring the resources below. They should help you to start thinking more critically about issues surrounding mental health, racism, gender, and nature vs nurture- are we born 'good'? We hope you find this task enjoyable. You are advised to spend a minimum 6 hours completing this work.

Task: write a 1000-word essay discussing how psychology can be used to address controversial issues in society with reference to the books, articles, films etc that you have completed. You can discuss one issue in detail or several issues (e.g. gender, mental health etc) in your essay.



	<p>www.theguardian.com/uk The Guardian www.telegraph.co.uk The Telegraph www.sunday-times.co.uk Sunday Times www.observer.co.uk The Guardian#</p> <p>www.bps.org.uk/blogs British Psychological Society (BPS) blogs</p>	<p>Topics Studied at Wombourne High School</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of key approaches in Psychology (including social, biological, cognitive, and learning approach) are applied to 3 key issues: aggression, gender, and consumer behaviour. • Health psychology including stress and addiction • Psychopathology including diagnosis and treatment of psychological disorders • Research methods and conducting your own research
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	<p>General podcasts</p> <p>The Psychology Podcast Mind Changers – Radio 4 PsychCrunch Podcast All in the Mind Podcast</p>	<p>Biopsychology</p> <p>The Psychology Podcast – How DNA Makes Us Who We Are My Head – James Piercy (BBC Radio 4)</p>	<p>Social Influence podcasts</p> <p>The Dangerous History Podcast – The Psychology of Power and Obedience</p>
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<p>www.ted.com/topics/psychology</p>	<p>Psychopathology</p> <p>Everything you think you know about addiction is wrong by Johann Hari (TED Talks: Addiction) Stephen Fry: The Secret Life of a Manic depressive (documentary) The Psychology of Evil – Philip Zimbardo (TED Talk)</p> <p>Memory</p> <p>How reliable is your memory? Elizabeth Loftus (TED Talk) Why eyewitnesses get it wrong – Scott Fraser (TED Talk)</p> <p>Biopsychology</p> <p>What we're learning from 5000 brains – Read Montague (TED Talk) How your brain decides what is beautiful – Anja Chatterjee (TED Talk)</p> <p>Social Influence</p> <p>Why do people join Cults? Janja Lalich (TED Talk) The Psychology of Evil – Philip Zimbardo (TED Talk)</p>
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Deadline: 1st lesson in September

