

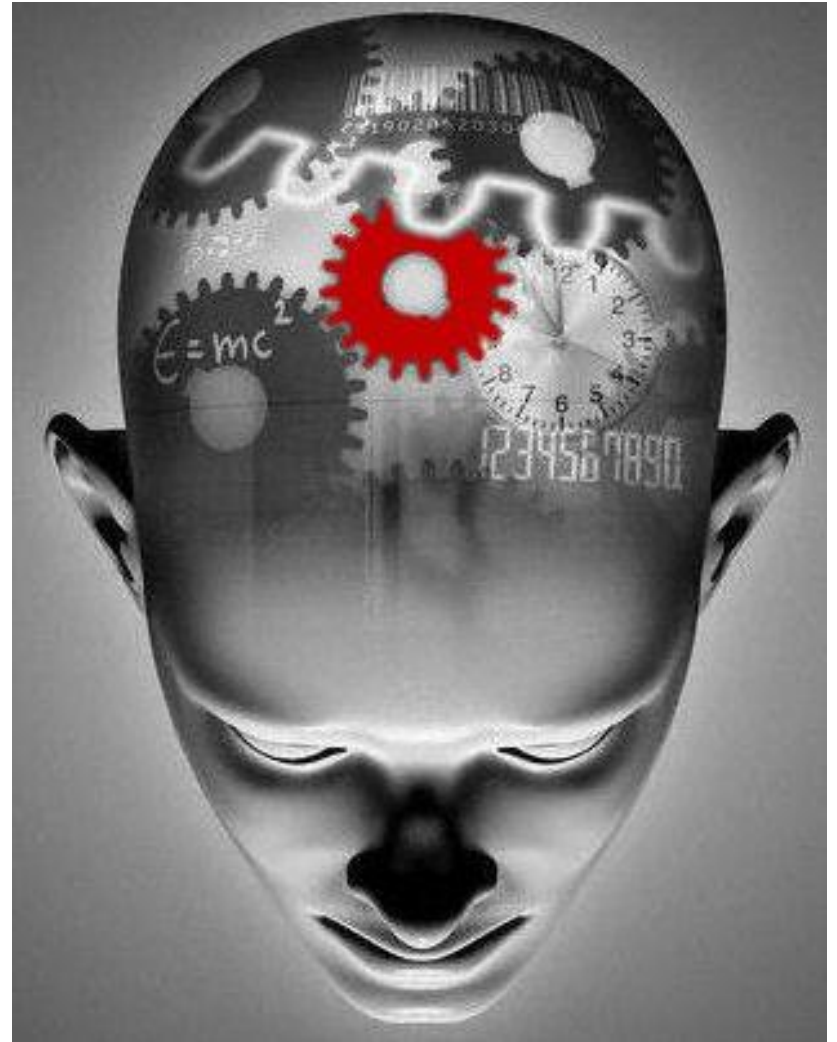
# Welcome to Psychology

*The department has two members of staff...*

*Mr Tricker*

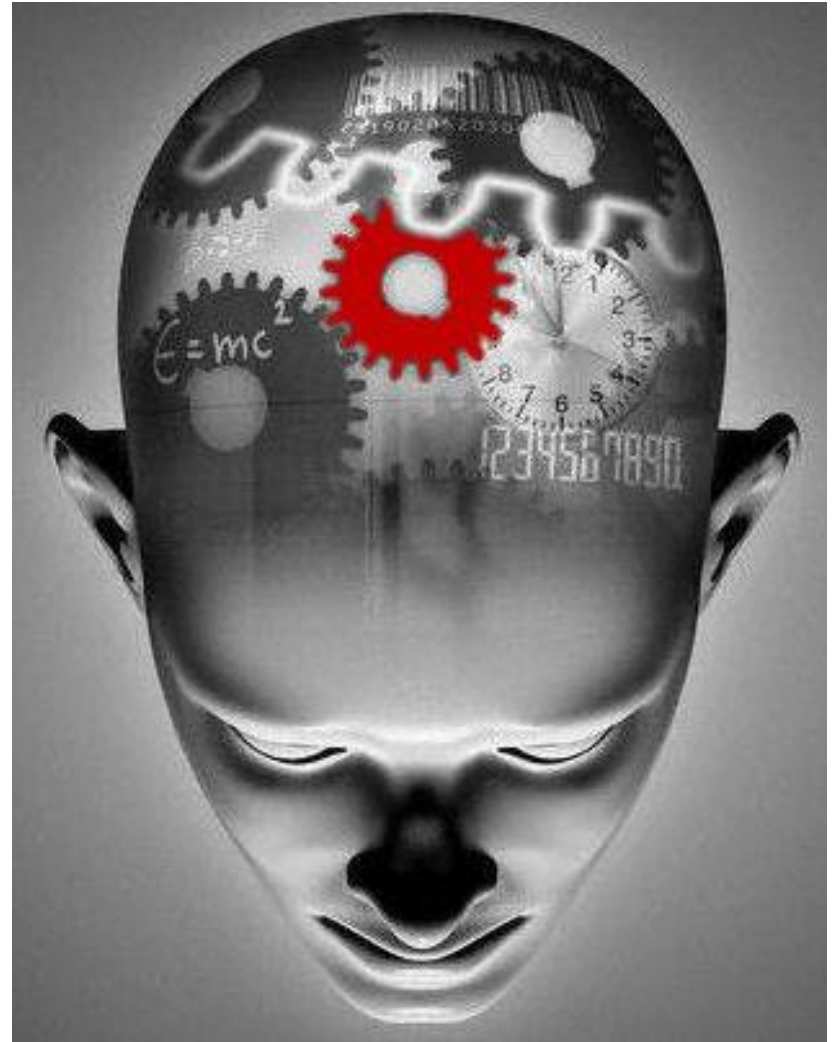
*Miss Halls*

# *What is Psychology?*

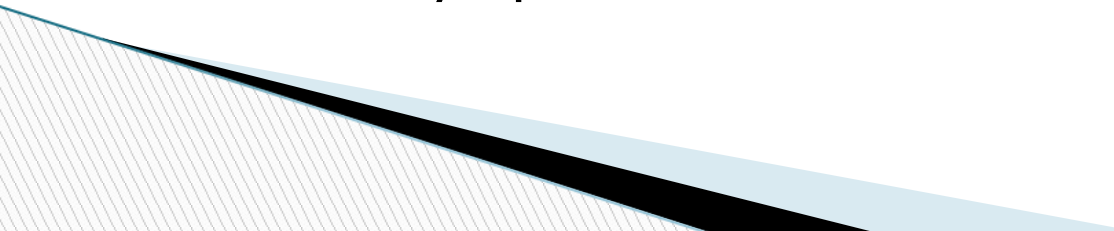


# *What is Psychology?*

Psychology is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour.



# What grades do you need?

- ❑ You need a 6 in English GCSE – you have to be good at writing essays.
  - ❑ You need a 6 in Science GCSE – psychology is a science; some aspects of the course have lots of biology and you have to think like a scientist. You will carry out small scale experiments, get data, analyse it and write it up.
  - ❑ You need a 6 in Maths. 10% of the course is Maths.
  - ❑ If you have studied psychology at GCSE that is great, but it is NOT ESSENTIAL for A level.
  - ❑ **WARNING:** do not choose psychology because you think it is an easy option – it is not!
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# Subject content

❑ Social influence

❑ Memory

❑ Attachment

❑ Psychopathology

❑ Approaches in Psychology

❑ Biopsychology

❑ Research methods

❑ Issues and debates in Psychology

❑ Relationships

❑ Stress

❑ Forensic Psychology

❑ Assessment

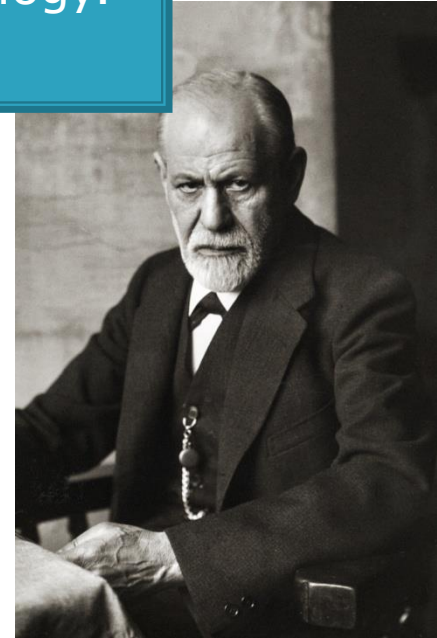
❑ 3 x 2 hour papers end of A level year.

Some say that I am the  
grandfather of psychology.  
Who am I?

***Psychology is very popular  
and of course we are all  
psychologists every day.***

***It is a very enjoyable  
subject and looks at areas  
which we all find relevant to  
ourselves.***

***It is therefore a self awareness exercise as well!***



# Psychology careers


❓ For example:

- Forensic psychologist
- Clinical psychologist
- Business psychologist
- Sports psychologist
- Research
- Teaching



Lots of useful info at: <http://www.bps.org.uk/careers-education-training/careers-education-and-training>

# Psychology is useful for many things...

- ▣ Any jobs that involve working with people – pretty much most jobs
  - ▣ Psychology is particularly useful for:
    - Legal careers – police service, lawyer, barrister
    - Health service jobs – doctor, nursing
    - Sports – coaching, management of teams
    - Management roles – motivating staff, keeping staff engaged at work, managing stress in staff
    - Teaching
    - Lots more...
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# To our students

- ❑ Leave your excuses at the door
  - ❑ If you didn't do your homework, just admit it but there will be a consequence
  - ❑ If you didn't understand the assignment, ask for help
  - ❑ If you didn't study for the test accept the grade and resolve to do better next time, with our help, if necessary.
- ❑ We are here to teach you. We will do our bit, but you need to do yours which is to take responsibility for your own learning.

# Any questions?

- feel free to email Mr Tricker  
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Should you have any other questions about psychology.

# Topics we cover

Attachment

Social influence

Memory

Psychopathology

Biopsychology

Approaches

Research methods

Stress

Forensics

Relationships

Issues and debates

Should you want to find more information out on these - have a read through the A LEVEL handbook - which has a breakdown on the topics.

# Things to be done in the meantime...

Have a read through the psychology library - This has films, books, documentaries, series and podcasts which can all be related to psychology.

Through psychology you will learn various theories and ideas which you can then relate to real life - whether it be your own or those around you.

Use the skills learnt to understand why criminals are the way they are, or why your friends relationships may be breaking down.

