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PSYCHOLOGY

Paper 3 Specialist Options: Theory

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1 hour 30 minutes



You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **four** questions in total:
 - Answer questions from **two** options.
 - For each chosen option, answer **all** questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Psychology and abnormality

Answer all questions.

- **1** (a) Outline the cognitive explanation of depression (Beck, 1979). [2]
 - (b) Describe the study by Oruc et al. (1997) about a biological explanation for bipolar disorder.
 - [4]

[6]

- (c) Explain two strengths of the study by Oruc et al.
- 2 (a) Describe characteristics of obsessive-compulsive and related disorders (types, examples/ case studies, measures).
 [8]
 - (b) Evaluate characteristics of obsessive-compulsive and related disorders (types, examples/ case studies, measures), including a discussion of qualitative and quantitative data. [10]

Psychology and consumer behaviour

Answer all questions.

- 3 (a) Outline an associative learning explanation for consumers' preference for product colour (Grossman and Wisenblit, 1999). [2]
 - (b) Outline two methods used to collect data in the study by Porublev et al. (2009) on gift-wrapping. [4]
 - (c) Explain one strength and one weakness of the study by Porublev et al. [6]
- 4 (a) Describe what psychologists have discovered about environmental influences on consumers (cognitive maps of retail locations, crowding in retail environments, shopper movement patterns).
 - (b) Evaluate what psychologists have discovered about environmental influences on consumers (cognitive maps of retail locations, crowding in retail environments, shopper movement patterns), including a discussion of cultural bias. [10]

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Psychology and health

Answer all questions.

- 5 (a) Identify two of the measures used in the five-city project on health promotion in communities (Farquhar et al., 1985). [2]
 - (b) Describe the study on health promotion in worksites by Fox et al. (1987). [4]
 - (c) Explain one strength and one weakness of longitudinal research, using the study by Fox et al. as an example.
 [6]
- 6 (a) Describe what psychologists have discovered about patient and practitioner diagnosis and style (practitioner style, practitioner diagnosis, disclosure of information). [8]
 - (b) Evaluate what psychologists have discovered about patient and practitioner diagnosis and style (practitioner style, practitioner diagnosis, disclosure of information), including a discussion of field experiments. [10]

Psychology and organisations

Answer all questions.

- 7 (a) Give the equation proposed by Vroom (1964) to calculate motivation. [2]
 - (b) Outline two non-monetary rewards that are motivators at work. [4]
 - (c) Explain one strength and one weakness of using non-monetary rewards as motivators at work.
 [6]
- 8 (a) Describe what psychologists have discovered about group decision-making in organisations (the decision-making process, groupthink, cognitive limitations and errors). [8]
 - (b) Evaluate what psychologists have discovered about group decision-making in organisations (the decision-making process, groupthink, cognitive limitations and errors), including a discussion of practical applications. [10]

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