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Paper 3 Specialist Options: Theory

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

There is a choice of four specialist options in this question paper. In each of your **two** chosen specialist options, answer **all** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.
The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Psychology and abnormality

Answer **all** questions.

- 1 (a) Explain what is meant by 'unipolar depression'. [2]
- (b) Describe **two** drug treatments for depression. [4]
- (c) Explain **one** similarity and **one** difference between drug treatments for depression and cognitive restructuring treatment for depression (Beck, 1979). [6]
- 2 (a) Describe the causes of impulse control disorders and non-substance addictive disorder. [8]
- (b) Evaluate the causes of impulse control disorders and non-substance addictive disorder, including a discussion of reductionism. [10]

Psychology and consumer behaviour

Answer **all** questions.

- 3 (a) Explain what is meant by the term 'personal space'. [2]
- (b) Describe **two** findings of the study by Milgram et al. (1986) on defending a place in a queue. [4]
- (c) Explain **one** strength and **one** weakness of the study by Milgram et al. (1986). [6]
- 4 (a) Describe what psychologists have discovered about lighting, colour and smell in the physical environment. [8]
- (b) Evaluate what psychologists have discovered about lighting, colour, and smell in the physical environment, including a discussion of ecological validity. [10]

3**Psychology and health**

Answer **all** questions.

- 5** (a) Explain what is meant by a 'Type II error' in relation to practitioner diagnosis. [2]
- (b) Describe the procedure used in the study by McKinstry and Wang (1991) on the style of doctors' clothing. [4]
- (c) Explain **two** strengths of the study by McKinstry and Wang (1991). [6]
- 6** (a) Describe what psychologists have discovered about causes of stress. [8]
- (b) Evaluate what psychologists have discovered about causes of stress, including a discussion on reliability. [10]

Psychology and organisations

Answer **all** questions.

- 7** (a) Explain what is meant by 'slow rotation' in shiftwork. [2]
- (b) Describe the study by Gold et al. (1992) on shiftwork and accidents. [4]
- (c) Explain **one** strength and **one** weakness of the study by Gold et al. (1992). [6]
- 8** (a) Describe measures of job satisfaction used by psychologists. [8]
- (b) Evaluate measures of job satisfaction used by psychologists, including a discussion of self-reports. [10]

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