

**AS91844 Examine different psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour
6 Credits**

Achieved	Merit	Excellence
Examine different psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour. Comprehensively examine	Examine, in depth, different psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour.	Different psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour.
Examine involves providing an explanation from at least three psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour. The explanation includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● how the psychological approach explains the behaviour ● the differences in psychological approaches in explaining the behaviour. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Examine, in depth, involves providing a detailed explanation of the selected psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour. The explanation includes: descriptions of psychological theories or studies from published works; ● and references to psychological theories or studies from published works. 	Comprehensively examine involves evaluating the selected psychological approaches used to explain a behaviour. The evaluation includes a justification of which approach has the best explanation of the behaviour.

**Please note the colour coding on the marking schedule aligns with the highlights on this internal. Some areas identified as Achieved may also count for the Merit if the answer examines them in depth.*

Instructions

This internal assessment is split into four parts.

Part 1 - Use the identified approach to explain the general behaviour and the behaviour seen in the case study. Explain how the research supports the approach.

Part 2 - Explain how the approaches differ from each other. This can include theoretical or methodological differences.

Part 3 - using full sentences, evaluate each of the approaches.

Part 4 - Justify which approach has the strongest or weakest explanation of the behaviour.

Supporting materials can be found [here](#)
Case Study _____: _____

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Approaches and studies

Approach	Theory	Study
Biological Approach		
Behavioural Approach		
Cognitive Approach		
Psychodynamic		
Cross-cultural approach		

Part 1

Approach number 1: _____

Describe how the approach would explain the behaviour

Use the approach to explain the behaviour in the case study

Apply relevant supporting research to explain the behaviour

Teacher to insert the study here

Explain how the above research supports how the approach explains the behaviour

Approach number 2: _____

Describe how the approach would explain the behaviour

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Use the approach to explain the behaviour in the case study

Apply relevant supporting research to explain the behaviour

Teacher to insert the study here

Explain how the above research supports how the approach explains the behaviour

Approach number 3: _____

Describe how the approach would explain the behaviour

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Use the approach to explain the behaviour in the case study

Apply relevant supporting research to explain the behaviour

Teacher to insert the study here

Explain how the above research supports how the approach explains the behaviour

Part 2

Explain how the approaches differ in their explanation of the behaviour

How is Approach 1 different to Approach 2?

How is Approach 2 different to Approach 3?

How is Approach 3 different from Approach 1?

Part 3

Evaluate each of the approaches		
	Strengths	Weaknesses
Approach 1: ----- -----		
Approach 2: ----- -----		
Approach 3: ----- -----		

Part 4

Relating to the evidence you have already provided, justify which approach has the best explanation for the behaviour

----- *is the weakest approach because*

----- *is the strongest approach because*