IB Psychology - New Syllabus (First Assessment 2027)

Paper 3 Planning Templates

Question 1 – Explain one issue that limits the interpretation of the data in source 1.

Paragraph 1

A detailed description of the issue related to the title, axes scales and titles, clarity of results, operationalisation of variables and what the graph does not show

Paragraph 2

A detailed explanation of why the issue limits the interpretation of the data.

Question 2 – Analyse the findings from source 2 and state a conclusion linked to the claim that…

Paragraph 1

A detailed analysis of one key statistic or pattern from the source, explaining what it shows and how it relates to the claim.

Paragraph 2

A second detailed analysis of another key statistic or pattern from the source, explaining what it shows and how it relates to the claim.

Paragraph 3 A conclusion linked to the findings.

Question 3 – Qualitative question on credibility/bias/transferability.
Paragraph 1 A detailed discussion of one point related to the source and triangulation (credibility), sampling (bias) or the sample (transferability).
Paragraph 2 A detailed discussion of one point related to the source and researcher reflexivity (credibility), procedure (bias) or the setting (transferability).
Paragraph 3 A detailed discussion of one point related to the source and peer review (credibility), analysis of findings (bias) or theories(transferability).

Question 4 – To what extent can we conclude that …
Paragraph 1 A detailed discussion and evaluation of source 2 related to the conclusion.
Paragraph 2 A detailed discussion and evaluation of source 3 related to the conclusion.
Paragraph 3 A detailed discussion and evaluation of source 4 related to the conclusion.
Paragraph 4 A detailed discussion and evaluation of source 5 related to the conclusion.
Paragraph 5 A detailed discussion and evaluation of your own knowledge related to the conclusion.
Paragraph 3 A conclusion summing up the main points and stating the measurable extent that the conclusion is supported.