

IB DIPLOMA

FIRST TEACHING 2025
FIRST ASSESSMENT 2027

PSYCHOLOGY

The systematic study of behaviour and mental processes

KEY AIM 1

To promote psychological literacy
so that you think like a
psychologist

KEY AIM 2

To promote understanding of people
so that you can make the world a
better place

CONTEXTS

You will learn about:

- Health and well-being
- Human development
- Human Relationships
- Learning and cognition

SYLLABUS

CONTENT

You will use:

- The biological approach
- The cognitive approach
- The sociocultural approach
- Research methodology

CONCEPTS

You will consider:

- Bias
- Causality
- Change
- Measurement
- Perspective
- Responsibility

ASSESSMENTS

Paper 1 (SL and HL)

1.5 hours

35 marks
(questions from 4 - 15 marks)

Questions posed on contexts,
content and concepts

Paper 2 (SL and HL)

1.5 hours

35 marks
(questions from 4 - 15 marks)

Questions posed on four
practicals and evaluation of an
unseen study

Paper 3 (HL only)

1.75 hours

30 marks
(questions from 3 - 15 marks)

Questions posed on the
analysis and interpretation of
HL extension topics

IA (SL and HL)

20 hours

24 marks

Research proposal for a study
using one of four research
methods