

# Psychology Sixth Form Induction: Home Learning

When you return in September we will be making a start on the Approaches unit. This will give you a detailed understanding of the main viewpoints within the subject of Psychology and throughout the A Level course we will refer to these on a frequent basis.

Before we start our A Level work on the approaches you need to have a basic understanding of them. Using this web address: <http://www.simplypsychology.org/perspective.html> you need to do the following:

- 1) Research the basic principles to each of the following approaches including definitions for key terms noted next to each:
  - Behaviourism – operant and classical conditioning
  - Psychodynamic – ID, Ego, Superego, Psychosexual stages, unconscious
  - Cognitive – schemas, thought processes, computer models
  - Humanism – self actualisation, person centred approach, free will
  - Evolutionary – adaptive behaviours, natural selection
  - Biological – genetics, neuroanatomy, biochemistry
  - Social Learning Theory – imitation, role models, vicarious reinforcement
  
- 2) You should also ensure that you research two strengths and two weaknesses for each theory.

**It may be that you need to use alternative sources to the one above, however this should be used as a basis to your research.**