

Psychology Summer Task

For your summer task, you will need to carry out and write up an investigation. You need to choose one of the topics below and:

- 1) Conduct some background research to find out about studies psychologists have already carried out into these areas
- 2) Produce a questionnaire to investigate people's attitudes about these topic areas. You should aim to use a range of question styles, including rating scales, open questions, closed questions and Likert scales. Aim for a minimum of 10 questions.
- 3) Analyse the findings from your questionnaire, producing summary graphs for each question
- 4) Write a conclusion about what you have found out in your research

Topic areas:

Obedience (Milgram, 1963 & Bocchiaro et al, 2012)

Things you could investigate:

- Do people think students are obedient in school?
- Do people think children should be trained to be obedient?

Aggression (Bandura et al. 1961)

Things you could investigate:

- What do people think counts as aggressive behaviour?
- Do people think males are more aggressive than females?

Moral development and lying (Kohlberg, 1968 & Lee et al. 1997)

Things you could investigate:

- What do people believe are the biggest influences on their moral development?
- When do people think it is ok to lie?