

# AQA A-level Psychology

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## Assessments

Paper 1: Introductory topics in psychology	Paper 2: Psychology in context	Paper 3: Issues and options in psychology
<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <p>Compulsory content 1–4 above</p>	<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <p>Compulsory content 5–7 above</p>	<p><b>What's assessed</b></p> <p>Compulsory content 8 above</p> <p>Optional content, one from option 1, 9–11, one from option 2, 12–14, one from option 3, 15–17 above</p>
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