

UNITS 1 and 2 PSYCHOLOGY



INSTRUCTIONS TO TEACHERS:

Lesson 1:

Hand out information sheet below and discuss the subject including topics, structure, SAC results, Exam results, etc.

Lessons 2-4:

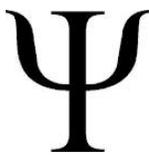
Teach the basics of Ethics (below) and watch the film the Truman Show. Discuss during and after the film how ethical considerations were breached with Truman and other main characters of the film.

Ethics

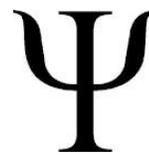
The code of Ethics are rules that **MUST** be adhered to by all practicing Psychologists. These ethics have been developed by the Registration Board of Victoria and the Australian Psychological Society to protect participants from any physical or mental harm that may be caused by experiments and also to protect relationships between patients and psychologists.

The Truman Show

| Ethical Guideline | Definition | Example (from the film) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| The Experimenters Role | | |
| Participants rights | | |
| Confidentiality | | |
| Voluntary Participation | | |
| Withdrawal Rights | | |
| Informed Consent | | |
| Deception | | |
| Debriefing | | |



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Psychology is the systematic study of behaviour and mental processes including perception, cognition and emotion. Psychology is considered a scientific study because research is conducted systematically meaning research is methodical. Psychological research allows us to manipulate our environment through conducting experiments to learn more about humans and their behaviours, dreams, desires and interactions.

TRANSITION PLAN

Introduction:

- Structure of course including SAC's and Exams
(Same as Units 3 & 4)
Unit 1 SACs – 20%
Unit 2 SACs – 20%
End of year Exam – 60%
- Topics covered
- Materials needed
Lever Arch Folder
Loose Leaf paper
Loose Leaf refills
Dividers
- Expectations

Activities during transition:

- Ethics in research
- Watch 'The Truman Show' and discuss ethical breaches relating to the main character and other characters with reference to his behaviour

Holiday Homework:

- Poster on Ethics in Research
- Textbook questions relating to ethics
Learning Activities 2.25
Learning Activity 2.27
- Student Activity Manual questions
Activity 1.9 'Ethical Issues'

Have a great Christmas and a good break and return to school in 2015 refreshed and ready to work hard!

Cheers,
The VCE Psychology Team



ETHICS POSTER



You need to produce a colourful and detailed poster, outlining all the ethical principles involved in Psychological Research.

1. Your poster must include a description of the following ethical guidelines:

- Informed Consent
- Withdrawal Rights
- Voluntary Participation
- Debriefing
- Deception
- Confidentiality
- The Experimenters Role

2. Research "Baby Albert".

Summarise "Baby Albert's" case and as a part of your poster include examples where ethical guidelines were breached (broken) with an explanation of how they were breached.

3. Your poster must be no smaller than A3 and must be as creative, colourful and imaginative as possible

Submit your completed, colourful poster, ready for display on the first day back in 2015.