

Aims of Spiritual Development	Spiritual Development in Psychology
Explore beliefs and experience; respect faiths, feelings and values; enjoy learning about oneself, others and the surrounding world; use imagination and creativity; be reflective.	Psychology is the scientific study of brain and behaviour, every lesson looks at some aspect of human behaviour, experience and emotions and the many explanations available.  Students are encouraged to debate human behaviour, considering all viewpoints.  The subject itself allows them to learn about themselves and reflect on their behaviour.

#### Examples of good practice:

- Considering cultural variations of patterns of behaviour linking this to belief systems
- Creating their own research studies to explore patterns of behaviour.



Aims of Moral Development	Moral Development in Psychology
Recognise right and wrong; respect the law; understand consequences; investigate moral and ethical issues; offer reasoned views.	Ethical issues within psychological research is an A level syllabus topic in itself.  Students must be familiar with ethical guidelines for research as issued by the British Psychological Society and be able to put these into practice during project work

### Examples of good practice:

- Knowledge of possible ethical conflicts in research
- Examples of poor practice
- Knowledge of BPS guidelines



Aims of Social Development	Social Development in Psychology
Use a range of social	
skills; participate in the	The nature of the subject encourages appreciation of different
local community;	viewpoints. A Level essays must debate/discuss but not just stating opinion, but use critical analysis and carefully selected evidence
appreciate diverse	
viewpoints; participate,	Students are encouraged to work together to solve problems and take part in research projects as part of a team.
volunteer and cooperate;	
resolve conflict; engage	
with the 'British values'	
of democracy, the rule of	
law, liberty, respect and	
tolerance.	

### Examples of good practice:

\* Replication of research studies both within and outside the classroom



Aims of Cultural Development	Cultural Development in Psychology
Appreciate cultural influences; appreciate the role of Britain's parliamentary system; participate in culture opportunities; understand, accept, respect and celebrate diversity.	Many of the topics covered within the syllabus explore human behaviour across cultures.  Students must be able to identify aspects of cultural bias in research studies.

#### Examples of good practice:

- ❖ Aggression how this is expressed in different cultures
- Eating behaviour food choices
- ❖ Schizophrenia how the rate of diagnosis changes in different cultures
- Social influences how rates of conformity change
- Development psychology styles of parenting and attachment behaviour