

Psychology Bridging Work

We hope you enjoyed the Psychology taster lesson! To prepare you for starting the course in September, we kindly ask that you do some further research. This will build on the bridging lesson which loosely touched on Social Psychology and Research Methods.

Research Methods

1. What is an independent variable (IV)?
2. What is a dependent variable (DV)?
3. Find out about the following research methods:

	Definition	Strengths	Weaknesses
Lab experiment			
Field experiment			

Social Psychology

Watch the following video about the famous study conducted by Milgram: [The Milgram Experiment: Obedience to Authority](#)

Read the following information about Milgram's study: [Milgram Experiment | Summary | Results | Ethics](#)

Complete notes on paper in relation to the questions below.

1. What did Milgram aim to investigate?
2. What did Milgram tell the participants he was wanting to investigate?
3. Was the participant allocated the role as 'teacher' or 'learner'? Why?
4. Briefly summarise the procedure.
5. Explain what the 'verbal prods' were in the study and why they were so important when studying obedience.
6. What % of participants went to the full 450v on the shock generator?
7. How did participants feel whilst doing this research? Why do you think this is a problem?
8. Do you think we could get away with doing research like this today? Why?

