



# SIXTH FORM INDUCTION TASKS





Dear student,

Congratulations on your enrolment for the Sixth Form at The Heathland School.

The leap from GCSE to Post 16 study is significant and it is essential that you make a strong and committed start to your courses in September.

In order to help you do this, we have asked departments to prepare some preliminary work for you to start before your first lessons begin. There are tasks to complete for each A Level or BTEC subject you are going to study in Year 12. Teachers will refer to these tasks during the first two weeks of study.

I would also ask you to view the specification for each subject by viewing the curriculum section on the school website.

The best of luck with your Sixth Form studies – we look forward to seeing you make good progress during Year 12 and beyond.

## Personalised Checklists (PLCS)

A PLC is a Personalised Learning Checklist. It is an organised list of topics that you will study in your chosen subjects taken from the syllabus. It also provides an opportunity for you to reflect on your progress in your subjects.

MyPLC (<https://www.my-plc.co.uk/register/>) has a large bank of subject and exam board specific information. Sign up as a student and join the Sixth Form Students class by entering the code **ab4870**.

You will then have access to all the available PLC's for your subject and exam board. This will:

1. Show you all the topics you will be studying for your subjects
2. Allow you to rate your level of understanding for each topic as you study them
3. Help you direct your revision to make it specific, focused and individual to you; ensuring your revision is an effective use of time and energy

Previous students have said:

“PLC's help me see in advance what we will be learning so I can do some additional reading before the lesson”

“Using the PLC has helped me to focus my revision on areas I need to improve”

“It has been really helpful when Topic tests come up. I know specifically what to revise”



# PSYCHOLOGY

## Psychology Summer Homework Task

### Research Methods

#### MUST:

Produce a **poster presentation** illustrating the *difference* between the following research methods and concepts:

1. Qualitative vs quantitative data
2. Types of experiment, laboratory, field experiments, natural and quasi-experiments.
3. Observational techniques. Types of observation: naturalistic vs controlled observation, covert vs overt observation and participant vs non-participant observation.
4. Self-report techniques. Questionnaires vs interviews (difference between structured and unstructured interviews).
5. The difference between correlations and experiments.

If it is not a **poster** you will be required to re-do this homework.

It should be a **minimum size** of A3.

Evidence of research from at least three different sources (you need to **reference** your sources).

#### COULD:

*Stretch and Challenge* - As well as completing the above task you could research and explain the following approaches in Psychology:

- Biological
- Cognitive
- Behavioural

You may also want to purchase the following items in preparation:

#### Shopping list

Lever arch file

Two smaller folders

1 set of 12 dividers

2 sets of 6 dividers

Green pen (for green pen marking)

Black pen (because you can only use black in your exams - get into the habit now)