



Edexcel A Level Psychology 2023 Exam Feedback Training

Paper 3 Exemplars – marks awarded

Q3b

Response 1: 3 marks

1 AO2 for application of SLT to the findings in terms of role models.

1 AO2 for application of operant conditioning in terms of positive punishment to the findings.

1 AO2 for application of operant conditioning in terms of positive reinforcement to the findings.

No AO2 credit for SLT at the end as 3 AO2 maximum has already been reached. No AO3 content presented, so no further marks can be awarded.

Response 2: 4marks

1 AO3 for Skinner study supporting OC – only credited in support of the AO2 point that follows. If the AO2 point were absent, this would not be creditworthy as it is generic.

1 AO2 for application of operant conditioning in terms of positive reinforcement to the findings (enables credit of the AO3 point above).

1 AO2 for application of SLT to the findings in terms of role models No separate credit for material towards top of page 2 regarding motivation as too similar to content at the bottom of page 1 (no double crediting).

1 AO3 for Bandura study supporting SLT at the end.

Response 3: 6 marks

1 AO2 for application of SLT to the findings in terms of role models and 1 AO3 for Bandura study supporting SLT.

1 AO2 for application of operant conditioning in terms of positive reinforcement to the findings and 1 AO3 for Skinner study supporting OC.

1 AO2 for application of classical conditioning to the findings and 1 AO3 for Pavlov's study supporting CC.

Q4

Response 1: 8 marks

AO1 Level 3 - Demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding.

AO3 Level 2 - Candidates will produce statements with some development in the form of mostly accurate and relevant factual material, leading to a superficial conclusion being made.

Start at 7, move up to 8 marks due to the AO1. Overall: Level 2 and 8 marks.

**Response 2: 12 marks**

AO1 Level 4 - Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding.

AO3 Level 3 - Arguments developed using mostly coherent chains of reasoning leading to a conclusion being presented. Candidates will demonstrate a grasp of competing arguments, but evaluation may be imbalanced.

Start at 11, move up to 12 marks due to the AO1. Overall: Level 3 - 12 marks

Response3: 16 marks

O1 - Level 4 - Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding.

AO3 - Level 4 - Displays a well-developed and logical evaluation, containing logical chains of reasoning throughout. Demonstrates an awareness of competing arguments, presenting a balanced conclusion.

Start at 15, move up to 16 marks due to the AO3 (AO1 already achieved). Overall: Level 4 - 16 marks

Q5

Response 1: 6 marks

AO1 - Level 2 - Demonstrates mostly accurate knowledge and understanding.

AO2 - Level 3 - Line(s) of argument supported by applying relevant evidence from the context (scientific ideas, processes, techniques & procedures). Might demonstrate the ability to integrate and synthesise relevant knowledge.

AO3 - Level 2 - Candidates will produce statements with some development in the form of mostly accurate and relevant factual material, leading to a superficial conclusion being made.

Overall level 2. Start at 5 marks and AO2 moves it up to 6 marks.

Response 2: 8 marks

AO1 - Level 3 - Demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding.

AO2 - Level 3 - Line(s) of argument supported by applying relevant evidence from the context (scientific ideas, processes, techniques & procedures). Might demonstrate the ability to integrate and synthesise relevant knowledge.

AO3 - Level 3 - Arguments developed using mostly coherent chains of reasoning. Leading to a conclusion being presented. Candidates will demonstrate a grasp of competing arguments, but evaluation may be imbalanced.

Overall level 3. Start at 8 marks, stay at 8 marks. Overall: Level 3 - 8 marks.

Response 3: 10 marks

AO1 - Level 3 - Demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding.



AO2 - Level 4 - Line(s) of argument supported throughout by sustained application of relevant evidence from the context (scientific ideas, processes, techniques or procedures). Demonstrates the ability to integrate and synthesise relevant knowledge.

AO3 - Level 4 - Displays a well-developed and logical evaluation, containing logical chains of reasoning throughout. Demonstrates an awareness of competing arguments, presenting a balanced conclusion.

Overall level 4. Start at 11 marks, AO1 pulls down to 10 marks.

Q6

Response 1: 10 marks

AO1 - Level 3 (top) - Demonstrates accurate knowledge and understanding.

AO3 - Level 3 (bottom) - Arguments developed using mostly coherent chains of reasoning, leading to an assessment being presented which considers a range of factors. Candidates will demonstrate understanding of competing arguments/factors but unlikely to grasp their significance. The assessment leads to a judgement, but this will be imbalanced.

Overall Level 3 - start at 11 marks and AO3 brings it down to 10.

Response 2: 13 marks

AO1 - Level 4/5 - Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding.

AO3 - Level 3 - Arguments developed using mostly coherent chains of reasoning, leading to an assessment being presented which considers a range of factors. Candidates will demonstrate understanding of competing arguments/factors but unlikely to grasp their significance. The assessment leads to a judgement, but this will be imbalanced.

Overall Level 4 - start at 11 marks (L3 due to AO3) and AO1 just pushes it into L4 - 13 marks.

Response 3: 18 marks

AO1 - Level 4/5 - Demonstrates accurate and thorough knowledge and understanding.

AO3 - Level 5 - Displays a well-developed and logical assessment, containing logical chains of reasoning throughout. Demonstrates a full understanding and awareness of the significance of competing arguments/factors leading to a balanced judgement being presented.

Overall Level 5 - start at 19 marks and AO3 brings it down to 18.