

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS
ADVANCED GCE
2548
PSYCHOLOGY
Psychology and Sport

FRIDAY 29 JANUARY 2010: Morning
DURATION: 1 hour 30 minutes

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

8 page Answer Booklet

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.**
- **Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.**
- **Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.**
- **Answer ONE question in Section A and ONE question in Section B.**

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- **The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.**
- **The total number of marks for this paper is 50.**
- **You will be awarded marks for the quality of written communication where an answer requires a piece of extended writing.**

SECTION A

**Answer EITHER Question 1 OR Question 2
from this section.**

- 1 (a) Outline ONE measure of aggression in sport. [6]**
- (b) Discuss the validity of measures of aggression in sport. [10]**

[Total: 16 marks]

- 2 (a) Describe ONE piece of research into personality and sport performance. [6]**
- (b) Discuss the limitations of research into personality and sport performance. [10]**

[Total: 16 marks]

SECTION B

**Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4
from this section.**

- 3 (a) Describe research into attention and imagery in sport. [10]**
- (b) Evaluate research into attention and imagery in sport. [16]**
- (c) An elite archer is finding events in her life are affecting her concentration when she is shooting in competition. Using your knowledge of psychology, how could you help her address this problem? Give reasons for your answer. [8]**

[Total: 34 marks]

- 4 (a) Describe research into leadership and coaching in sport. [10]**
- (b) Evaluate research into leadership and coaching in sport. [16]**
- (c) You serve on your nation's Olympic Committee which has to choose a captain for its national squad for London 2012. Using your knowledge of psychology, what advice would you give the committee to help them make their choice? Give reasons for your answer. [8]**

[Total: 34 marks]

[Total paper marks: 50]

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