**Psychology transition project**

**What is psychology?**

Watch this link to start - [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo4pMVb0R6M**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vo4pMVb0R6M)

Psychology is all about explaining human and animal behaviour. Within Psychology we explore a range of possible reasons as to why people act the way they do.

There are numerous psychological theories, all of which take a slightly different approach to explaining behaviour.

Your task will be to use these theories to explain the behaviour of an infamous criminal of your choice.



**The project**

* Find an example from the media (past or present) of someone who has committed a crime and been found guilty of it.
* Create a fact file about their background, the crime they committed and the consequences, and what sentence they were given.
* Give at least 3 psychological reasons as to why they have committed the crime: E.g. Biological, behavioural and cognitive each explanation needs to be supported with at least one piece of research - <https://scholar.google.com/>
* Write a conclusion stating which explanation you believe to be the most valid and why. Your conclusion could also include a suggestion on what needs to be done to stop future crimes like this.
* Make a suggestion about what, if any, methods of modifying behaviour the perpetrator could/should be given to prevent re offending (treatment).

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