

Psychology A Level

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AQA Specification

Year 1:

Social

Memory

Attachment

Psychopathology

Approaches

Research Methods

Year 2:

Biopsychology

Issues and Debates

Relationships

Eating Behaviour

Addiction

Research Methods



The Stanford Prison Experiment

Haney, Banks and Zimbardo (1971)

A QUIET SUNDAY MORNING...

On a quiet Sunday morning in August, a Palo Alto, California, police car swept through the town picking up college students as part of a mass arrest for violation of Penal Codes 211, Armed Robbery, and Burglary, a 459 PC. The suspect was picked up at his home, charged, warned of his legal rights, spread-eagled against the police car, searched, and handcuffed - often as surprised and curious neighbours looked on.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYtX2sEaeFE&feature=youtu.be>







How would you feel?

Consider the police procedures which make arrestees feel confused, fearful, and dehumanized.



STEADY P-TIME JOB

Working from own home, int. assignment doing charge acct. promotion for major Dept. Store. Good telephone personality required. No selling. Guar. hrly. Wage. Write Redwood City Tribune AD No. 499, include phone no.

Male college students needed for psychological study of prison life. \$15 per day for 1-2 weeks beginning Aug. 14. For further information & applications, come to Room 248, Jordan Hall, Stanford U.

TELEPHONE CONTACTS

Sell security systems. New air cond. office, parking. Exc. location & understanding boss. \$1.75 + comm. Call Mr. Nelson, 323-1339.
Killmurray, 592-3950.

GET MORE OUT OF LIFE!

More money, more friends, more fun. Call now and learn about being an Avon Representative. Come 260-1005.

What suspects had done was to answer a local newspaper ad calling for **volunteers** in a study of the psychological effects of prison life.

More than 70 applicants answered our ad and were given **diagnostic interviews and personality tests** to eliminate candidates with psychological problems, medical disabilities, or a history of crime or drug abuse. Ultimately, we were left with a sample of **24 college students** from the U.S. and Canada who happened to be in the Stanford area and wanted to earn \$15/day by participating in a study. On all dimensions that we were able to test or observe, **they reacted normally.**

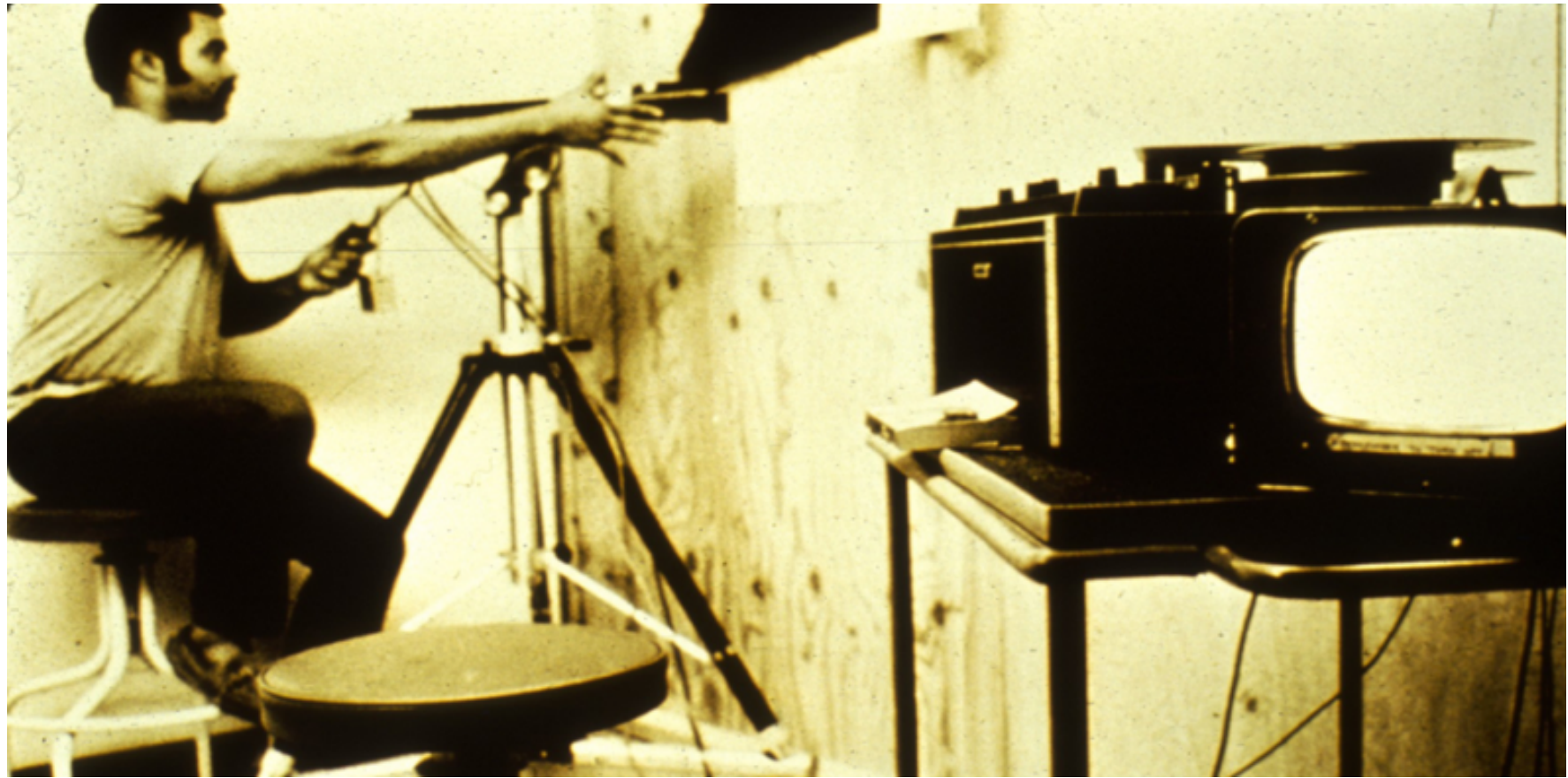
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TShFPParenk&feature=youtu.be>









How would an experience like this affect you?

Is it ethical?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fQnOkmvigi0>



(guard speaking)

What is going to happen?

What are the effects of living in an environment with no clocks, no view of the outside world, and minimal sensory stimulation?

The Stanford Prison Experiment

What could go wrong?

How is it relevant today?



What
could
possibly
go
Wrong?



Ir relevant



The guards were given no specific training on how to be guards. Instead they were free, within limits, to do whatever they thought was necessary to maintain law and order in the prison and to command the respect of the prisoners. The guards made up their own set of rules.





THE STANFORD PRISON EXPERIMENT: A FILM BY KYLE PATRICK ALVAREZ

<https://youtu.be/7LviGTHud5w>



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x3wxEmHqVCY&feature=youtu.be>





<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uTdttd7XTfQ&feature=youtu.be>





Most prisoners believed that the subjects selected to be guards were chosen because they were bigger than those who were made prisoners, but actually, there was no difference in the average height of the two groups.

What do you think caused this misperception?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gbDy4ZtB2fU&feature=youtu.be>



Zimbardo was the principal investigator and the prison superintendent.

Is this OK?

<https://youtu.be/Ol1KB-rIgA>

Psychology of Evil: Zimbardo (TED Talk)

https://www.ted.com/talks/philip_zimbardo_on_the_psychology_of_evil?language=en



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KND_bBDE8RQ (youtube original)

