

## Assessment Specifications

# Scholarship Psychology 2025

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## General information

<b>Performance Standard:</b>	93405
<b>Assessment method:</b>	Examination
<b>Assessment medium:</b>	Online digital exam or printed paper

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## Format of the assessment

Candidates will be required to answer three questions in an exam booklet.

All questions will relate to the specified context below. Questions may require candidates to refer to provided resources. An in-depth understanding of the psychology related to the specified context is expected.

Questions will examine the candidates' ability to:

- Critique research methods in the specified context
- Develop solutions to a given issue using psychological approaches, within the specified context
- Critique debates that are prevalent within the specified context.

## Content/context details

In 2025, the specified context is **cognitive psychology**. Candidates are expected to have in-depth knowledge of **learning, attention and memory**.

## Resources or information supplied

A resource booklet will be provided.

## Special notes

The Psychology Performance Standard should be read in conjunction with these Assessment Specifications, and can be accessed through the Subject page on the NZQA website.

## Special assessment conditions

Refer to the NZQA website for further information:

[Aromatawai special assessment conditions](#)