

## Introduction to



# A Level Physical Education

Exam Board: OCR

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This is a linear course which means you will study the full A Level Specification over Year 12 and 13 and then sit three exams at the end of Year 13.

## **Content Overview**

## **Assessment Overview**

The final exams are structured, taught by and weighted as follows:

- Applied anatomy and physiology
- Exercise physiology
- Biomechanics

#### Mr Jones & Miss Peet

- Physiological factors affecting performance (01)\*
  - 90 marks
  - 2 hour written paper
- 30% of total A level

- Skill acquisition
- Sports psychology

#### Mrs Chapman

- Psychological factors affecting performance
  - (02)\*
  - 60 marks
  - 1 hour written paper
- 20% Of total A level

- Sport and society
- Contemporary issues in physical activity and sport

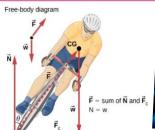
#### Miss Rolfe

- Socio-cultural issues in physical activity and sport (03)\*
  - 60 marks
  - 1 hour written paper

20% of total A level











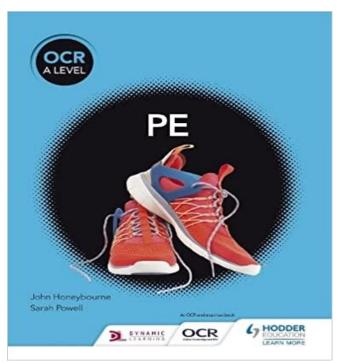
The performance in your <u>one</u> practical sport is worth 15% and the Evaluation and Analysis of Performance for Improvement is also worth 15%.

#### **Getting organised**

We will issues you with course folders for each of the key theory areas. As well as these folders, you will need to come with the following to every lesson:

- 1. A pencil case with different colour pens, highlighters, ruler, pencil and rubber
- 2. Lined paper
- 3. Plastic wallets for sheets that cannot (or that you do not want to) hole-punch
- 4. Your A level PE textbook (see information below)

The textbook we will be using in class is the following:



There is a revision guide that you can purchase to support you on the course, but this is by no means compulsory: <a href="https://www.amazon.co.uk/My-Revision-Notes-OCR-Level/dp/1510405216">https://www.amazon.co.uk/My-Revision-Notes-OCR-Level/dp/1510405216</a>

#### Suggested reading for the summer:

- > 'The Effects of Smoking on the Respiratory System' by Mark Thompson
- 'EPOC explained' by Mark Thompson
- 'The Emergence of Women's Sport' by Luke Harris

Over the summer, in preparation for studying A Level Physical Education you should aim to watch/read about as much, and as varied, sport as possible. Many exam questions now expect to you to apply your theory knowledge to a range of sporting situations and if you are unsure what the context of the question is, it makes it more difficult to answer. For example, the June 2018 'Socio-cultural Issues' paper referred to Sport Climbing...do you know what this is?