

Summary

3.2 Cultural Origins of Behaviour

Subject	Year	Start date	Duration
Psychology	IB2	Week 1, September	2 weeks 8 hours

Course Part

Sociocultural Approach: Cultural Origins of Behaviour

Description

Culture and its influence on behaviour and cognition: Study one example of culture and its influence on behaviour and cognition.

Cultures are made up of a set of attitudes, behaviours, and symbols shared by a large group of people, and usually communicated from one generation to the next. *Cultural groups* are characterized by different norms and conventions.

Study the following.

- *Cultural groups*

Cultural dimensions: Study one cultural dimension.

Cultural dimensions refer to the values of members of a society living within a culture.

Study one of the following.

- Individualism/collectivism
- Uncertainty avoidance
- Power/distance
- Masculinity/femininity
- Long term/short term
- Time orientation
- Indulgence/restraint

Inquiry & Purpose

Inquiry / Higher Order Questions

Type

Inquiry Questions

Debatable

Are the methods of natural science applicable to social science?

Curriculum

Syllabus Content

Core

Sociocultural approach to understanding behaviour

Cultural origins of behaviour and cognition

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Cultural dimensions: Cultural dimensions refer to the values of members of a society living within a particular culture. They include: individualism/collectivism; uncertainty avoidance; power/distance; masculinity/femininity; long term/short term; time orientation; indulgence/restraint.