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**MODULE TITLE: Psychology in Context**

<b><u>DATE: 28/07/2016</u></b>	<b><u>TIME: 2.00PM</u></b>
<b><u>WRITING TIME: 2 hours</u></b>	<b><u>READING TIME: 5 minutes</u></b>

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Answer 3 questions  
Each question has equal value.

Answer each question in a separate book.

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### **Answer THREE questions**

1. What is functionalism and what contribution has it made to our understanding of the mind?
2. Are there features common to all human beings across a variety of contexts? Discuss.
3. With reference to one key area of activity consider how psychology has been influenced by political context.
4. The structure of the population of Scotland (like populations elsewhere in the UK) is changing. Is this type of change likely to influence performance on psychological measures? Please explain your answer by referring to psychological research.
5. Discuss how developments in biological science have contributed to the progress of explanations in Psychology.
6. Discuss how our understanding of memory has shifted from that of a video camera to that of a bread machine (i.e., constructive and reconstructive) and the implications of this shift for the recovered memory debate.