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A Level Physical Education

H555/02 Psychological factors affecting performance

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INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **60**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in the question marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document consists of **12** pages.

Section A

Answer **all** the questions.

1 Using sporting examples, explain both visual and verbal guidance.

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2 Define the terms 'learned helplessness' and 'mastery orientation'.

Learned helplessness

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Mastery orientation

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3 Identify **two** characteristics of effective leadership in sport.

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4 Other than imagery, identify **two** other cognitive stress management techniques used by sports performers.

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5 Using practical examples from sport, explain the **two** types of reinforcement that may be used during operant conditioning when learning motor skills.

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Section B

Answer **all** the questions.

6 (a) (i) A dive in a swimming race could be classed as a closed skill.

Which **one** of the following terms could also be used when classifying this skill?

Put a tick (✓) in the box next to the correct answer.

A. Fine

B. Gross

C. Continuous

D. Self-paced

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(ii) Give **one** reason for your answer given above.

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(iii) Front crawl in swimming can be classified as an open skill or a closed skill.
Explain when front crawl could be classified as an open skill.

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(b) (i) Define positive transfer and negative transfer when learning motor skills.

Positive transfer:

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Negative transfer:

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(ii) What makes negative transfer most likely to occur in sport?

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(iii) Give **one** way in which a coach in sport can minimise negative transfer occurring.

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(c) (i) Bandura's model identifies four processes involved in the copying of behaviour. Two of these are 'retention' and 'motor reproduction'. Explain these terms.

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(ii) Discuss factors that affect successful modelling in physical activity and sport.

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(d) (i) Outline **two** key aspects of the Atkinson and Shiffrin multi-store memory model.

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(ii) Evaluate this multi-store approach to memory.

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7 Chelladurai's multi-dimensional model of sports leadership, shown in Fig. 7 below, identifies different factors that affect leader behaviour.

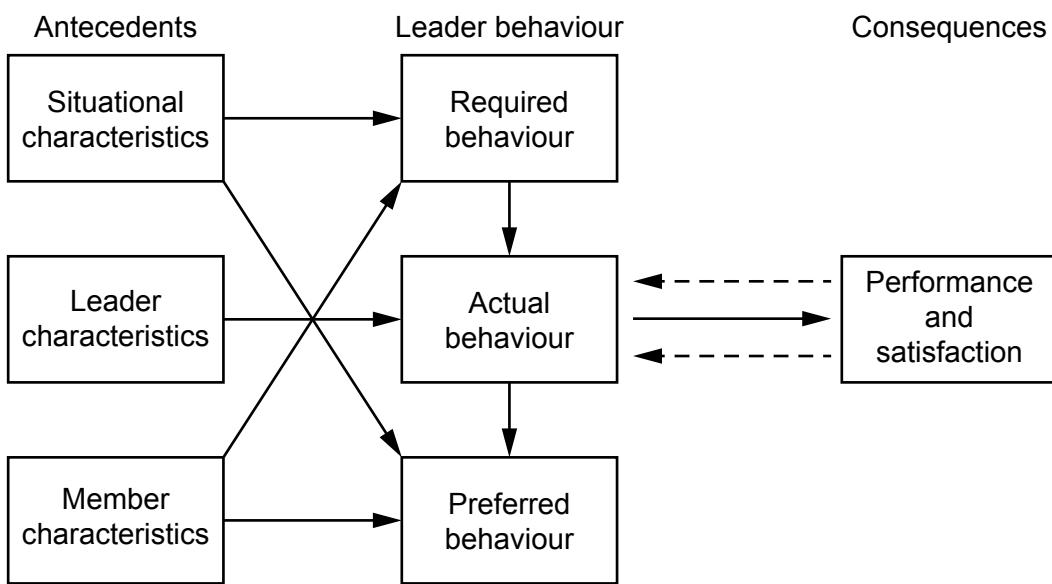


Fig. 7

(a) Using examples from physical activity and sport, explain how effective leadership can be achieved according to the model.

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(b) Coaches aim to develop positive attitudes towards sport and physical activity.

(i) Explain the term 'cognitive dissonance' in relation to changing an attitude in sport.

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(ii) Persuasive communication is a method of changing an individual's attitude.

Using practical examples from sport, explain **three** factors which influence the effectiveness of persuasive communication in changing attitudes.

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(c) Evaluate the instinct theory of aggression.

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(d) (i) Define 'sports confidence'.

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(ii) Analyse the impact of sports confidence on participation and performance in physical activity and sport.

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Section C

8* Arousal has a significant effect on performance in sport.

Evaluate the following theories of arousal:

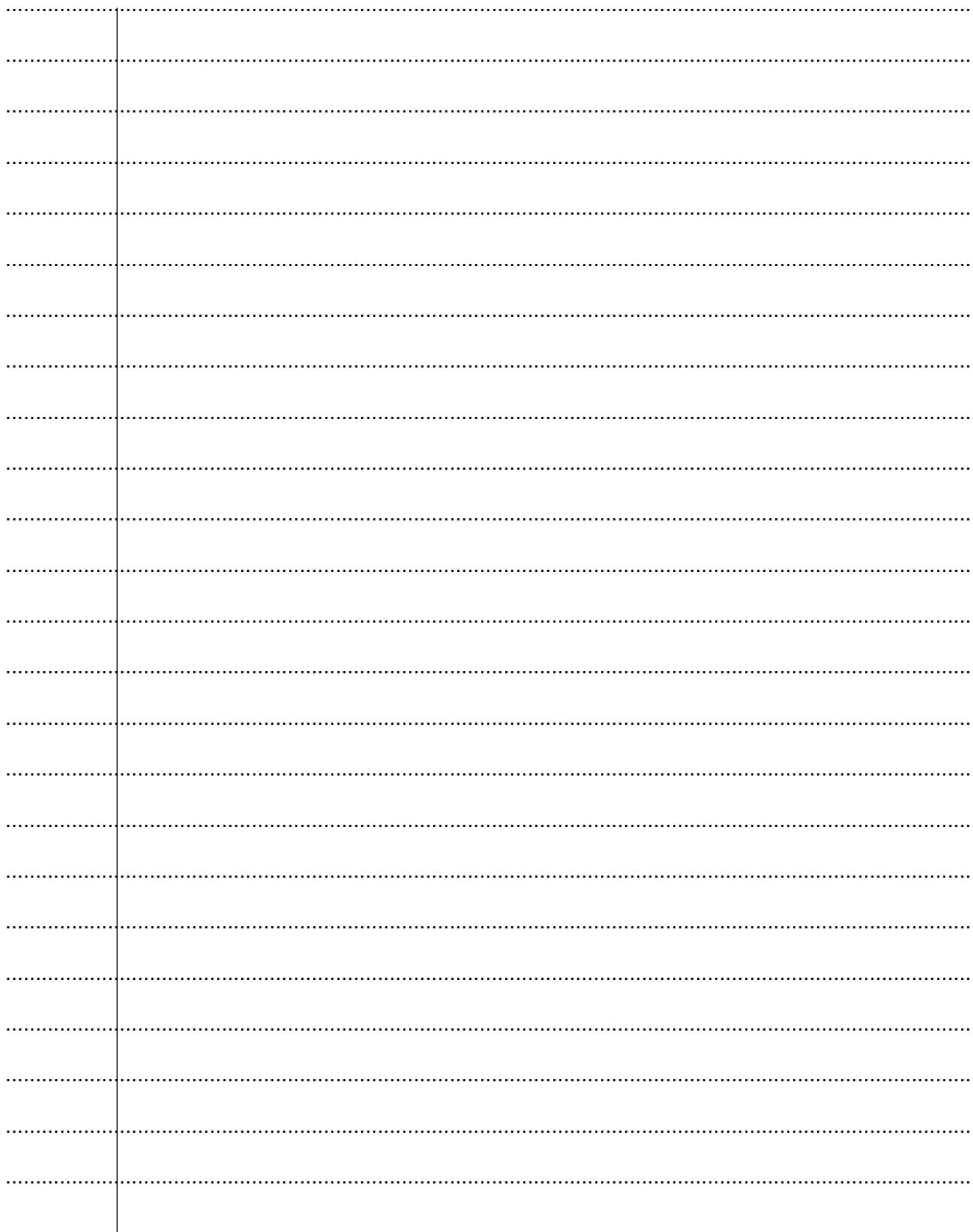
- Drive theory
- Inverted U theory
- Catastrophe theory.

Using practical examples from physical activity and sport, discuss how different types of skills may require different levels of arousal for optimum performance.

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