



# Introduction to Learning

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## Chapter 1



# A Definition of Learning

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- Learning is:
  - An experiential process
  - Resulting in a relatively permanent change
  - Not explained by temporary states, maturation, or innate response tendencies.



# Three Limits on the Definition

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- The change that occurs during learning is a potential for behavior that depends on other conditions.
- Learning is not always a permanent change.
  - What can be learned can be unlearned.
- Changes also occur for other reasons - maturation, motivation.