

Introduction to Learning

Chapter 1

A Definition of Learning

- 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

- 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.