

# What is Learning

## Learning Definitions

There are numerous definitions of learning depending on the point of view. Some of them claim that learning is:

- the acquisition of knowledge by study.
- “all relatively permanent changes in potential for behavior that result from experience but are not due to fatigue, maturation, drugs, injury, or disease.”<sup>1)</sup>
- “a relatively permanent change in behavior due to experience. This refers to a change in behavior, an external change that we can observe.”<sup>2)</sup>
- “a relatively permanent change in mental associations due to experience. This definition focuses on a change in mental associations, an internal change that we cannot observe.”<sup>3)</sup>
- the sudden or slow acquisition of insight into the rules governing certain relationships in the environment.

<sup>1)</sup>

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<sup>2)</sup> <sup>3)</sup>

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