

Development of the Cognition

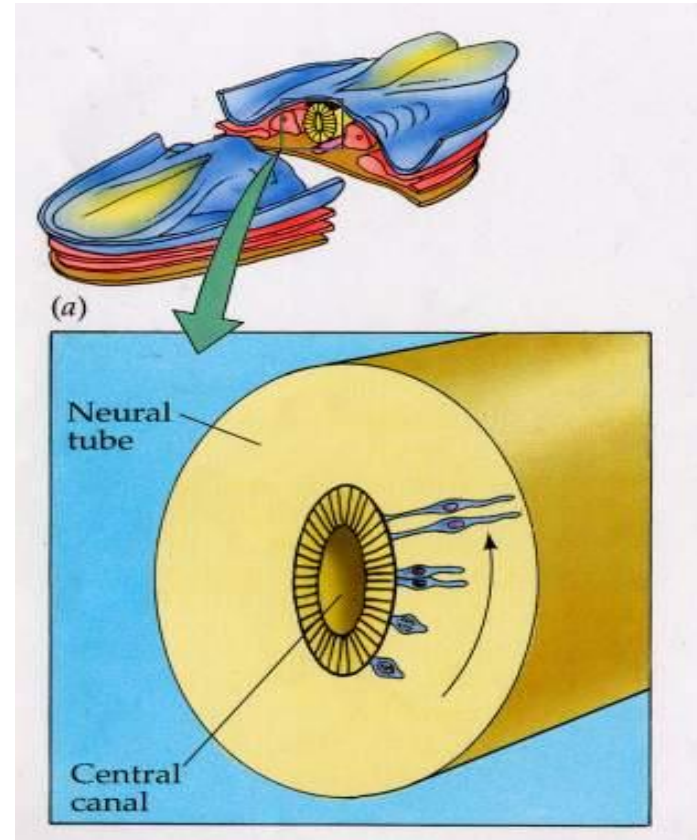
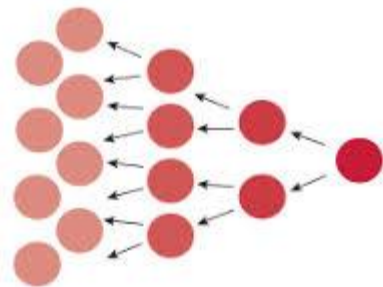
(The role of brain organization)



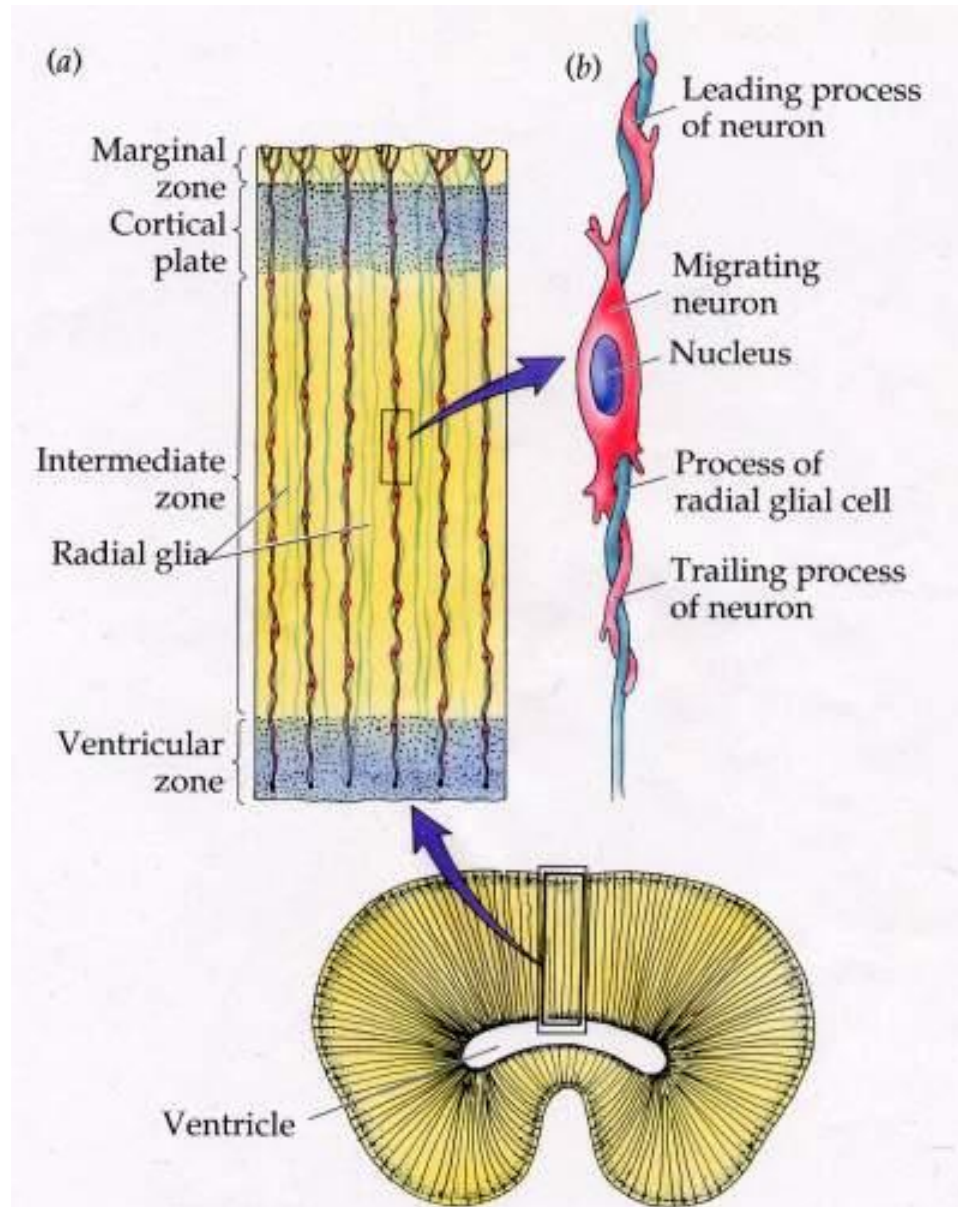
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□ Proliferation

Generation of new cells



Migration

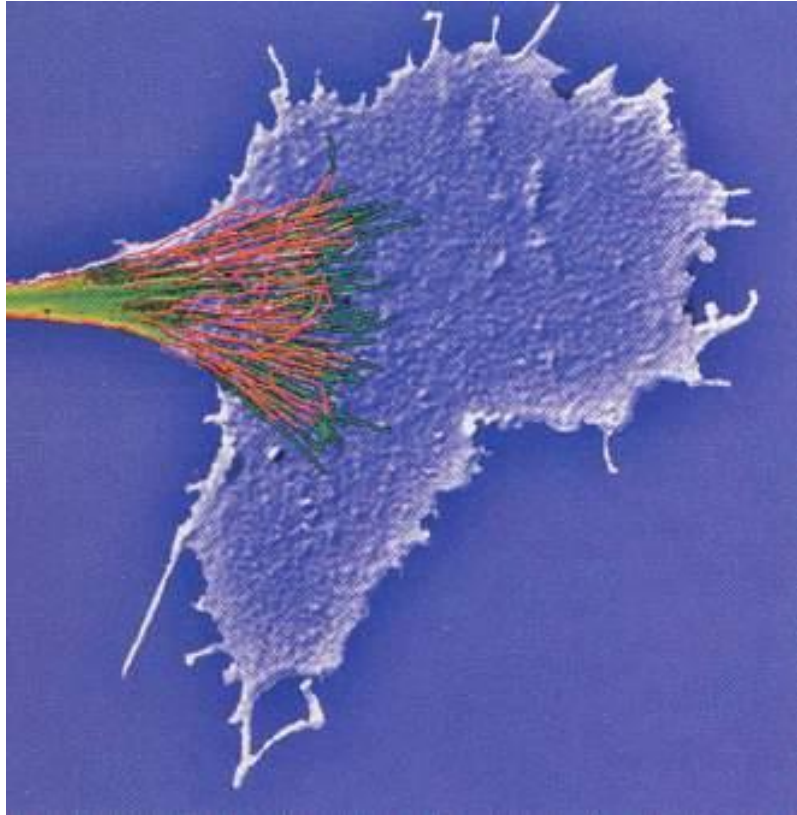


Radial glial cells act as guide wires for the migration of neurons

Migrating cells are immature, lacking dendrites

Cells that are done migrating align themselves with others cells and form structures

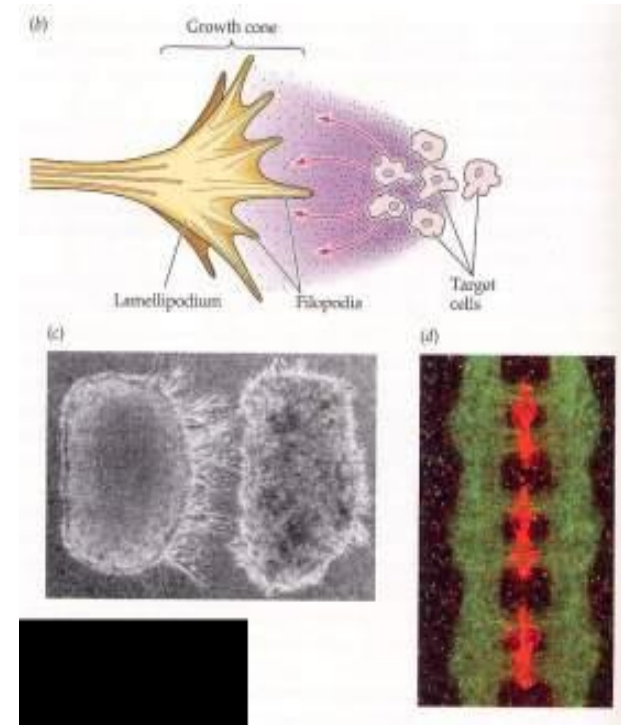
Growth Cones: tips of axons on migrating, immature neurons



Growth cones crawl forward as they elaborate the axons trailing behind them. Their extension is controlled by chemical cues in their outside environment that ultimately direct them toward their appropriate targets.

Axon Growth/Synaptogenesis

□ Axons (with growth cones on end) and dendrites form a synapse with other neurons or tissue (e.g. muscle)



Synaptogenesis

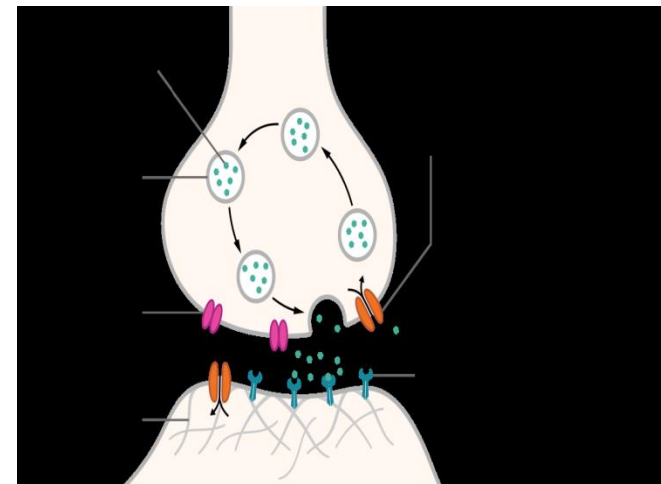
- Formation of new synapses
- Depends on the presence of glial cells – especially astrocytes
- Chemical signal exchange between pre- and postsynaptic neurons is needed

Neuronal pruning

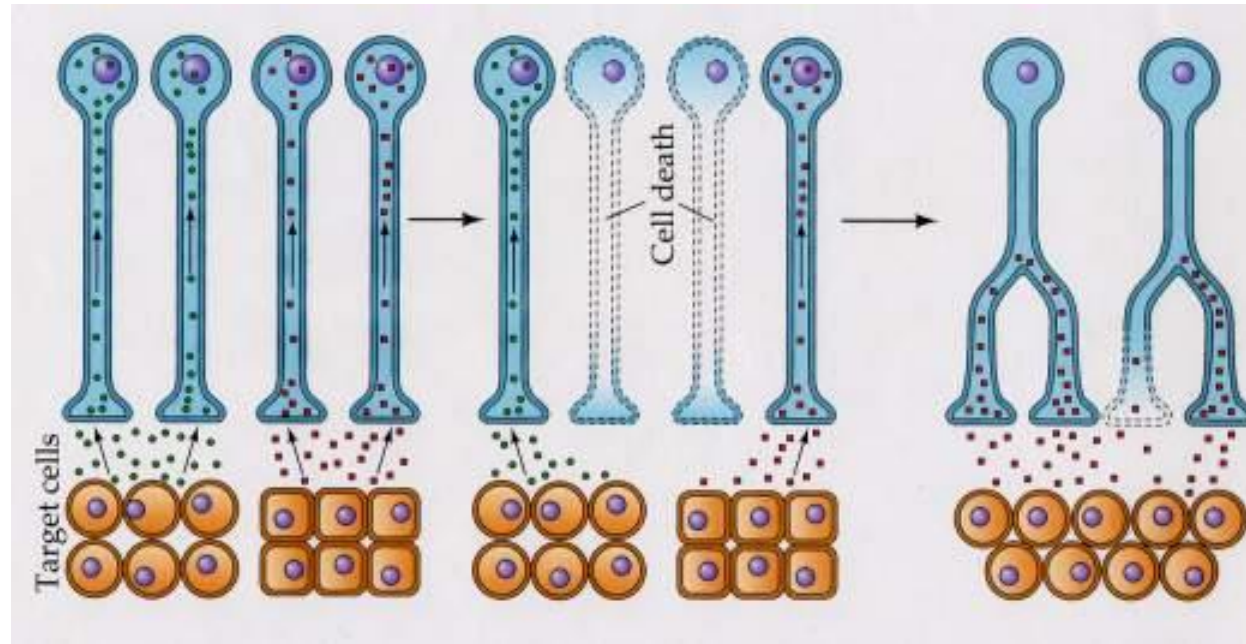
- Between 40-75% neurons made, will die after migration – death is normal and necessary !!
- Neurons die due to failure to compete for chemicals provided by targets

□ Neurotrophins

- ▣ promote growth and survival
- ▣ guide axons
- ▣ stimulate synaptogenesis



Synaptic rearrangement

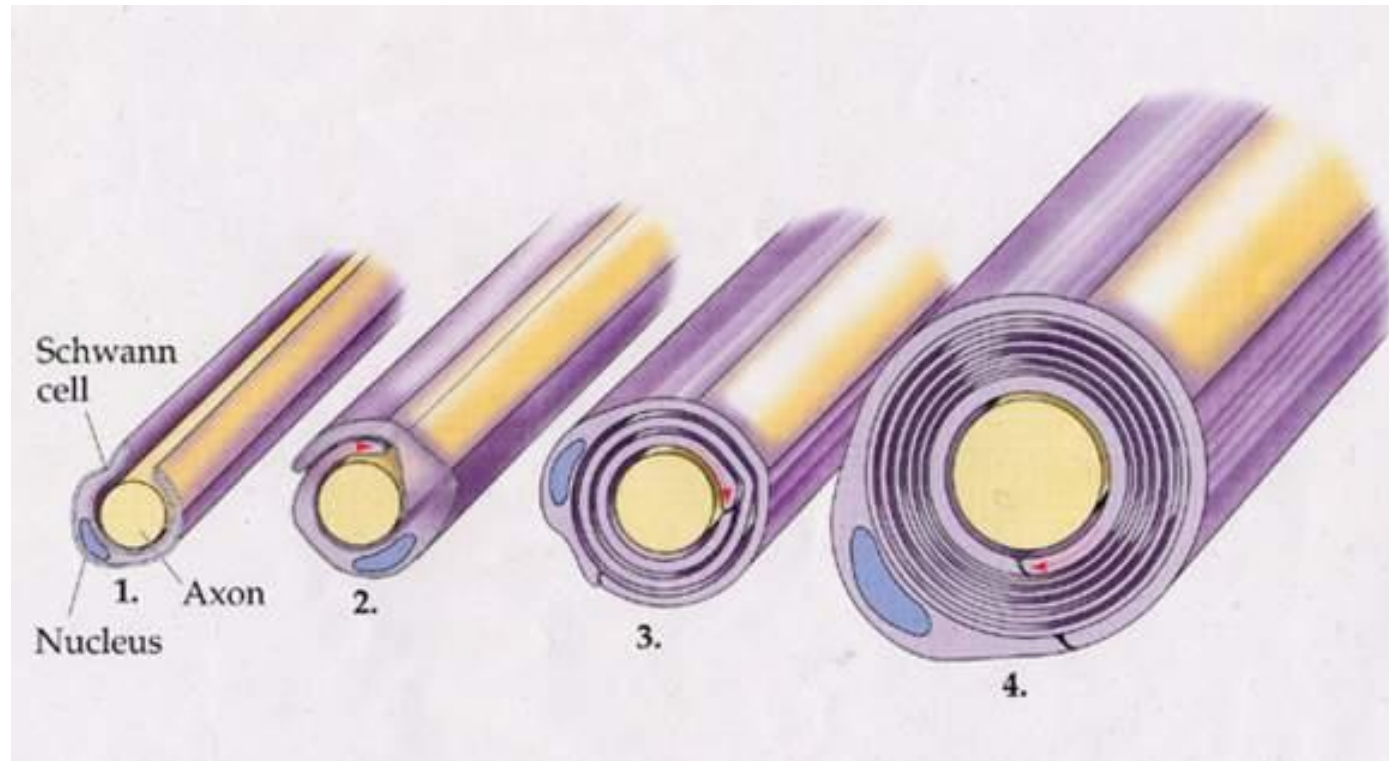


Release and uptake
of neurotrophic
factors

Neurons receiving
insufficient neurotrophic
factor die

Axonal processes
compete for limited
neurotrophic factor

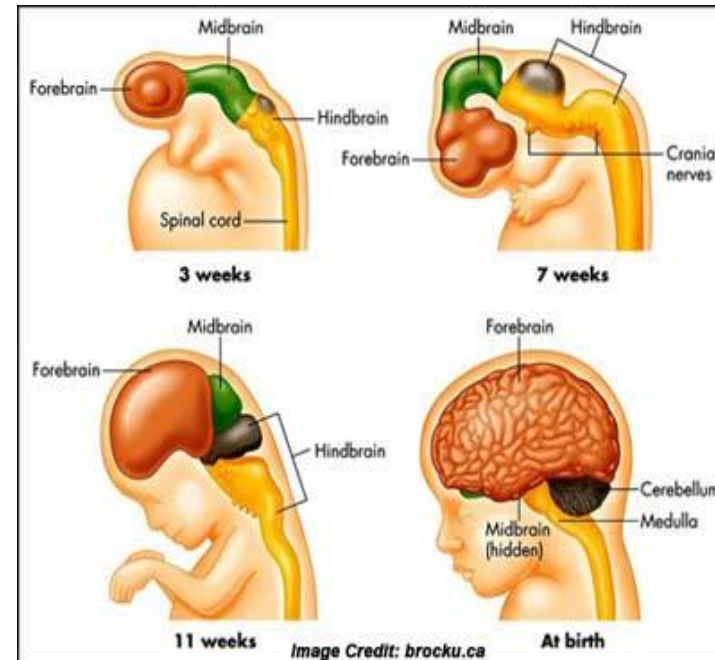
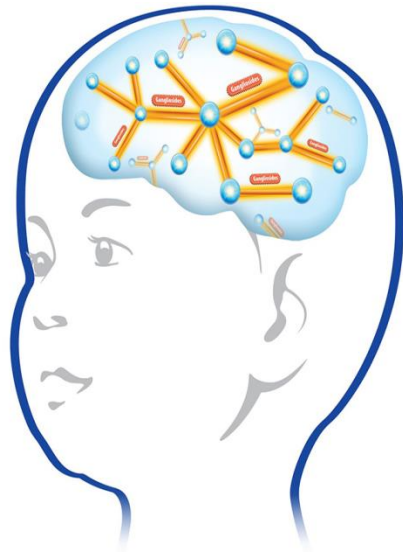
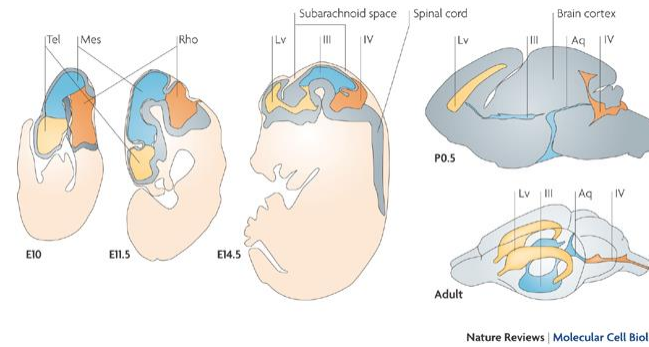
Myelination



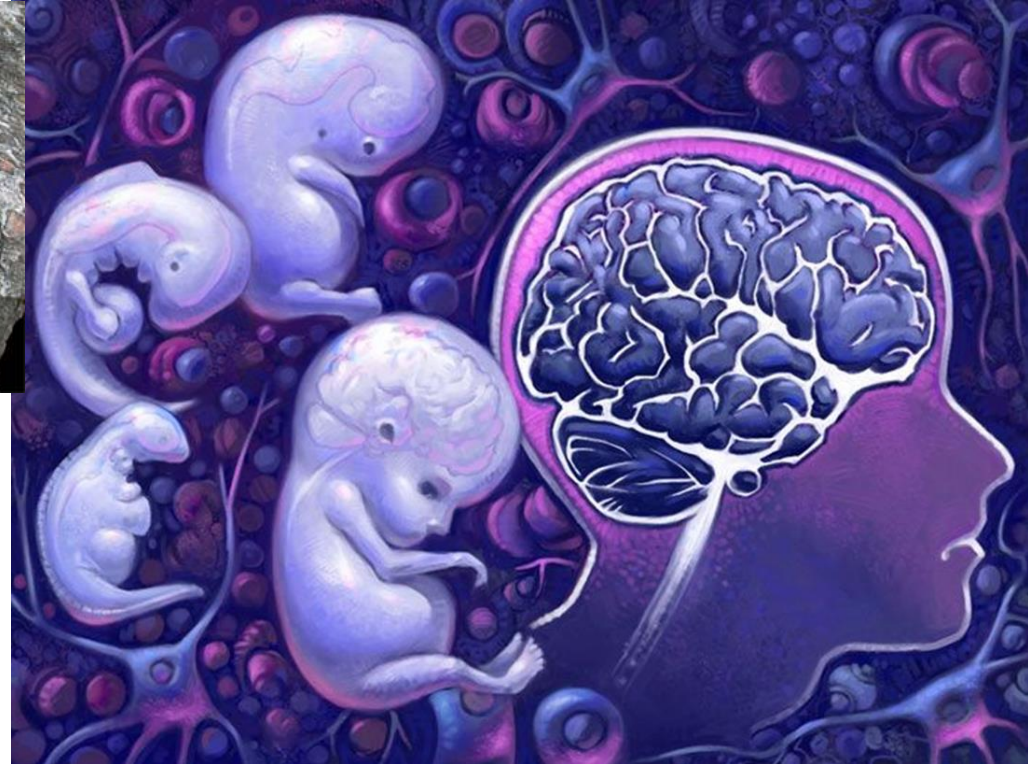
Time after synaptogenesis 

Brain Development

- Pathologic states
- Exceptional States



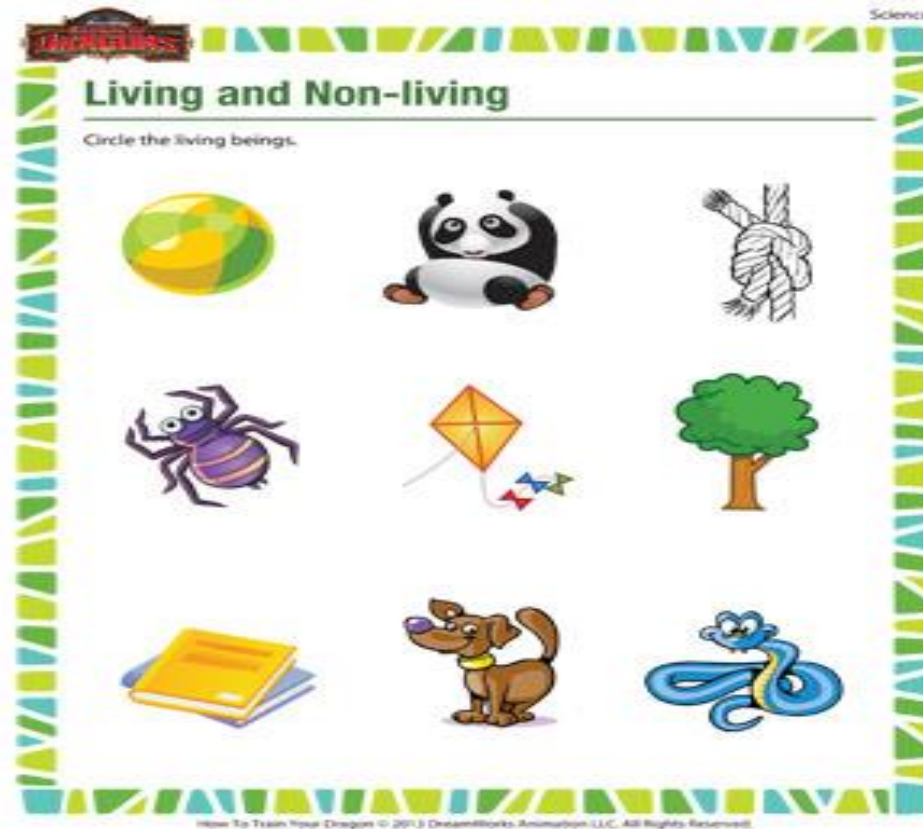
Brain Development and self organization



Gene Environment

From qualia to concept

Symbolization and Mapping of the World



Categoryzation

Perceptual and Conceptual clustering



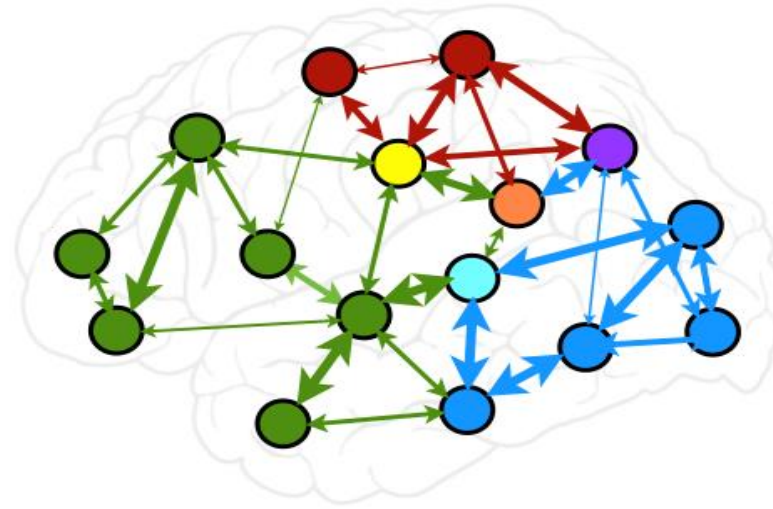


Fig. 1. Examples of the stimuli.

Neural Network Modulation

A common approach to understanding neuronal processing is to reduce complexity by defining subunits and infer their functional role by selectively modulating them.

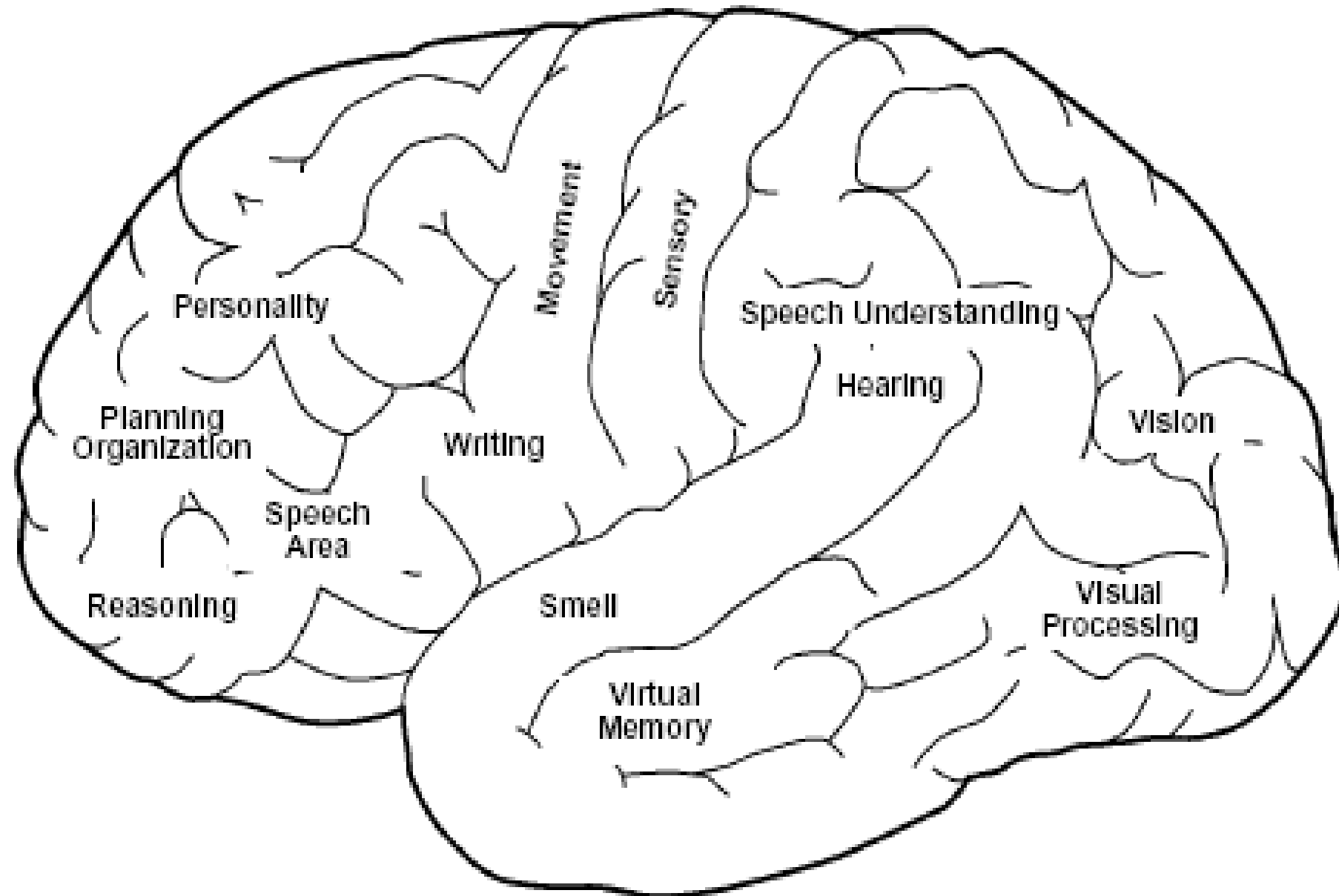
- Effortless work
- Energy saving



Automatization

Developmental periods

Functional Areas of the Brain



Conscious Attention

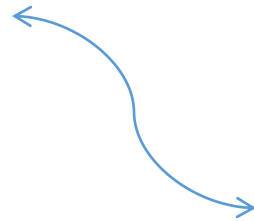
Transparent perception \longrightarrow Automatization

Door of refrigerator



Attention

External Stimulations



Internal

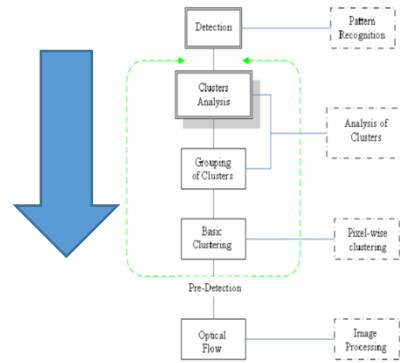


Emotional value

Is attention the same as consciousness?

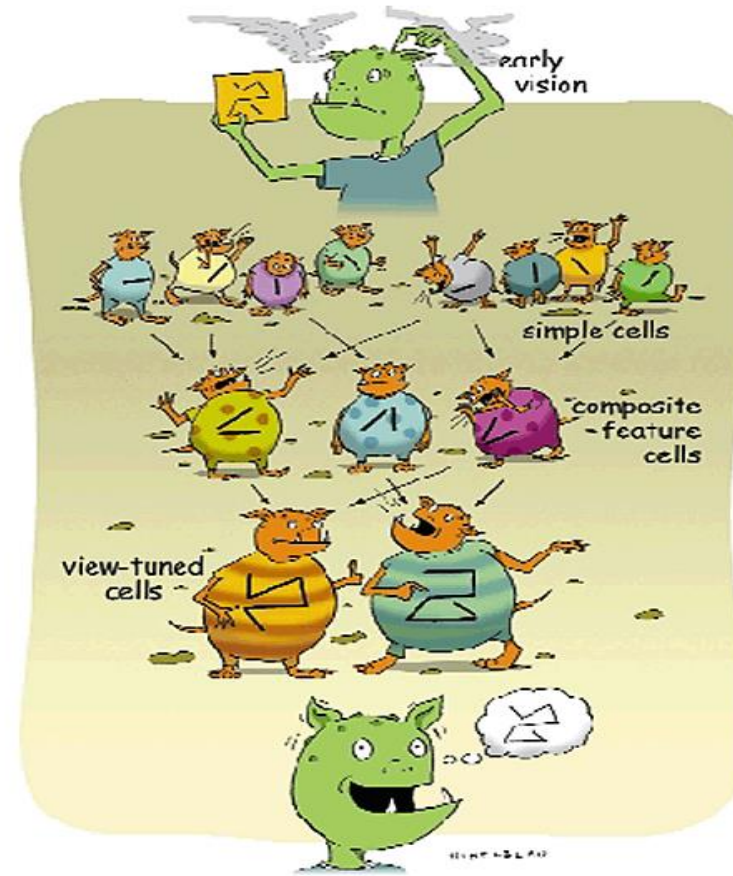
Attention

Perception



Mentality

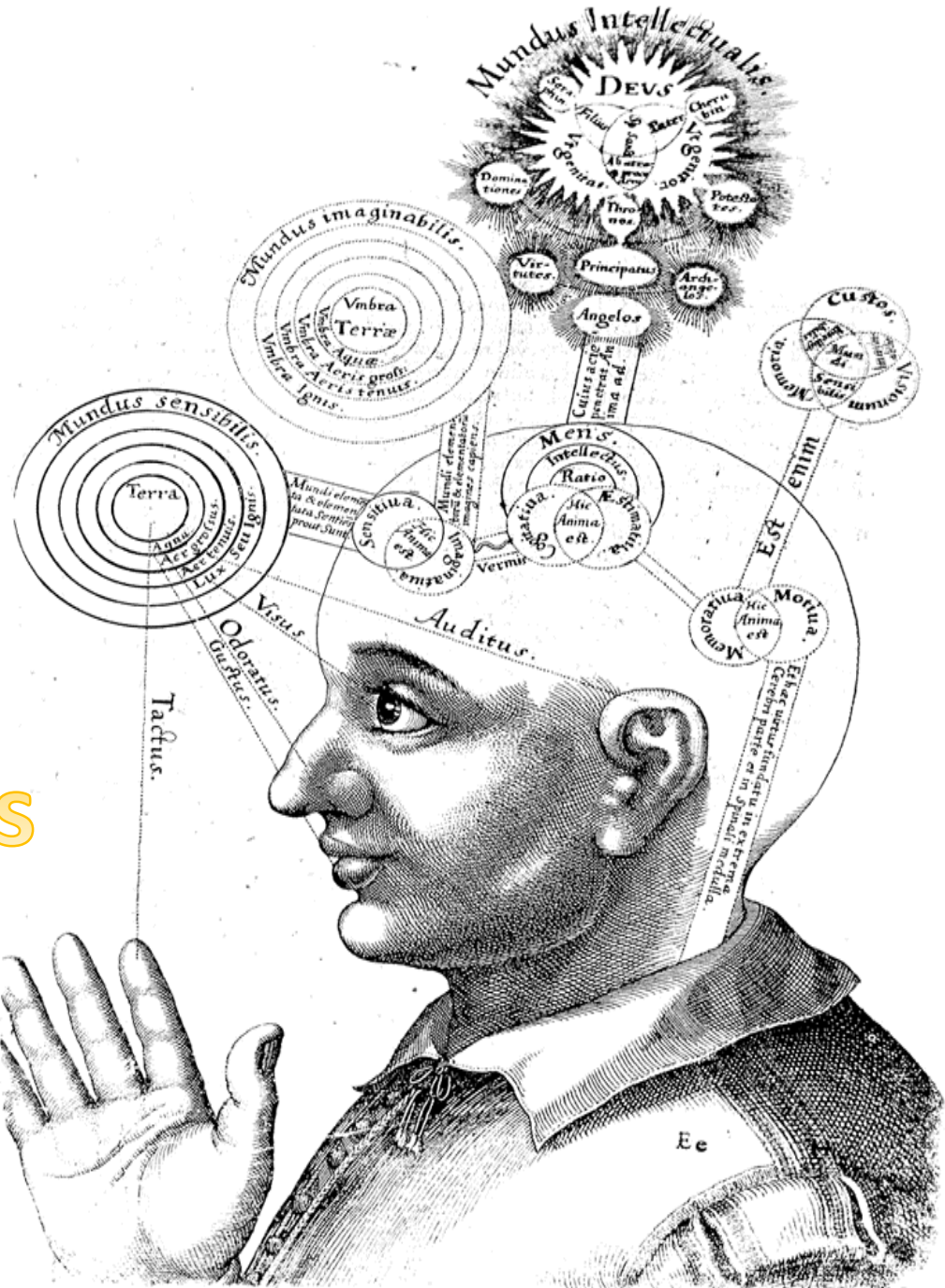
- Perceptual Integration
- Perceptual Comparison
- Attention role



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Consciousness

Consciousness

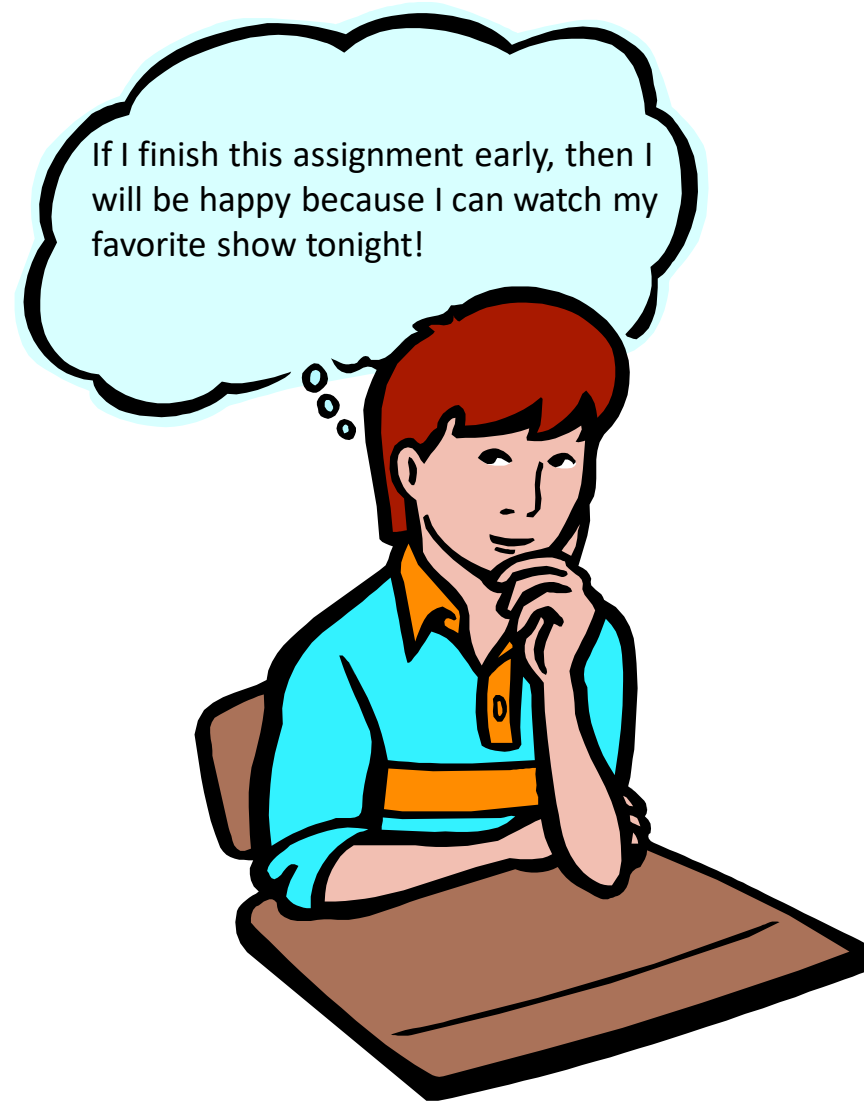


Motivation :

comes from imagining the emotion of the future.

Motivation and Need

- Being in love and Blindness
- Addiction



Learning and Memory

- **Learning and memory** are higher-level functions of the nervous system.
- **Learning** is the neural mechanism by which a person changes his or her behavior as a result of experiences.
- **Memory** is the mechanism for storing what is learned.

MEMORY

