## Memory

## How good is yours?



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## Let's get that brain warmed up

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Three Words

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I remember exactly what I was doing,


## Flashbulb Memory

A unique and highly emotional moment may give rise to a clear, strong, and persistent memory called flashbulb memory. However, this memory is not free from errors.


President Bush being told of $9 / 11$ attack.

Memory is a mental process of storage and retrieval of information and experience.

Information makes its way into your memory through your senses. It is then processed by multiple systems throughout your brain and stored for later use

Parente and Stapleton 1993


Without a memory of the past we cannot operate in the present or think about the future.

We would not be able to remember what we did yesterday, what we have done today or what we plan to do tomorrow.

Without memory we could not learn anything.

## For memory to properly function, information must be correctly received through the senses

Three important aspects of information processing

## Stages of Memory

## Encoding



## Storage



Retrieval

## Memory Encoding

There are three main ways in which information can be encoded (changed):

- 1. Visual (picture)
- 2. Acoustic (sound)
- 3. Semantic (meaning)


## Memory Retrieval

## RETRIEVAL

- Retrieval is the process of getting information out of memory.
- Retrieval cues are stimuli that can be used to help retrieve memories.
- Priming is the process of identifying traces (perhaps associations made at the time the memory was formed) that lead to a memory.

Retrieval clues-
Sound, picture, taste, meaning and many more


## Memory as we age

- The hippocampus, a region of the brain involved in the formation and retrieval of memories, often deteriorates with age. Hormones and proteins that protect and repair brain cells and stimulate neural growth also decline with age. So.......


## Short-Term Memory



## 7 Tips to Improve Memory

- Stay mentally active
- Socialize regularly
- Get organized
- Sleep well
- Eat healthy
- Physical activity
- Manage chronic conditions
- Seek help for memory loss


# The difference between men and women's brains 

- It is literally mind blowing!
https://youtu.be/SZ6mVumHY9|


What was the number I stated at the beginning of the lecture?

What are the 3 words?

Name the 13 pictures you saw at the start of the lecture

## Thank you

## Questions?



