

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

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Meaning & Historical Background Of Psychology

- The word psychology is derived from Greek word psycho & logos. 'Psycho' means "soul" and 'logos' means "science". The science of soul.
- First Stage: Psychology was defined as the "study of the soul"
- Second Stage: It was again defined as the "study of the mind"

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- Third Stage: Again it was defined by William James (1890) as the “Study of Consciousness”
- Fourth Stage: “Study of total Behaviour” (consciousness and unconsciousness).
- It is scientific because it is systematic study of observable events/behavior and behavior is unlearned process where in include reflexes, physiological process and instincts and it is learned behavior also because all behavior acquire through practice.
- Today Psychology is scientific method of collecting data about individual and groups to analyze and predict their behavior.

Definitions

- **“Psychology is the scientific study of the activities of the individual in relation to his environment”**

by: Woodworth & Marquis

“Psychology today concerns itself with the scientific investigation of behaviour”

by: N.L. Munn

Psychology

Pure Psychology

Applied Psychology

Crime

Clinical

Legal

Plant

Military

Animal

Educational

Industrial

BRANCHES OF PSYCHOLOGY

Basic branch

- General psychology
- Abnormal psychology
- Developmental Psychology
- Experimental Psychology
- Social Psychology

Applied branches

- Educational Psychology
- Clinical psychology
- Industrial psychology
- Forensic Psychology
- Health Psychology
- Personality Psychology