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.

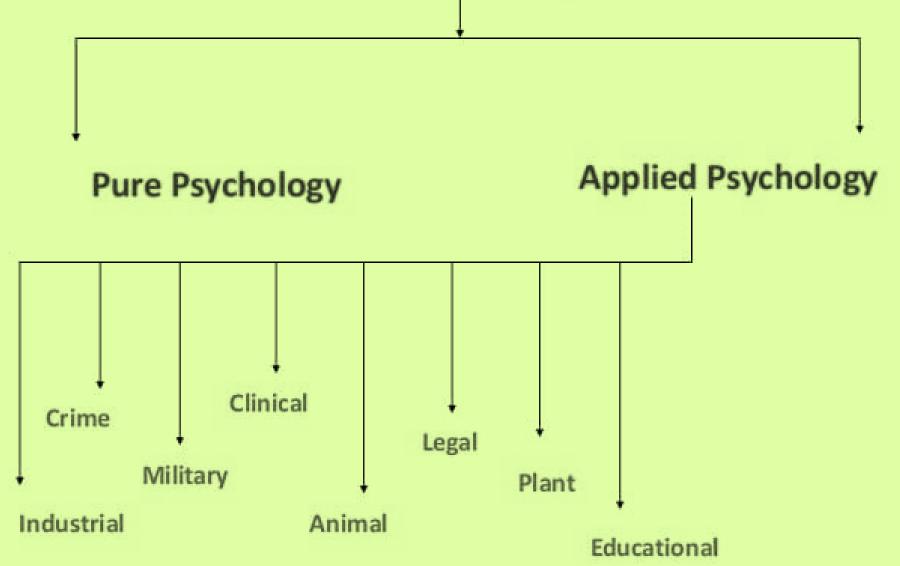
Definitions

 "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



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