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Psychology Exam #3: Module 11 - Types of Memory

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- Chunking: Combining separate items of information into a larger unit, or chunk, and then remembering these chunks rather than individual items
 - Example: Daniel Tammet's amazing memory is in part due to the way synesthesia promotes chunking
- Declarative memory: involves memories for facts or events, such as scenes, stories, words, conversations, faces, or daily events
 - These memories are explicit, or consciously known
- 3 Elaborative rehearsal: using effort to actively make meaningful associations between new information that you wish to remember and old or familiar information already stored in longterm memory
- Encoding: refers to making mental representations of information so that it can be placed into memory
- 5. Extraordinary episodic memory: The case of Jill Price—she can't forget any of her life events since the age of 14
- Features of long-term memory: Large capacity and relatively permanent
 - Chances of retrieval depend on how information was encoded and how much interference occurred at time of encoding
 - Not always as accurate as people believe
- 7. Flashbulb memories: Vivid recollections, usually in great detail, of dramatic or emotionally charged incidents that are of interest to the person
 - Encoded effortlessly and may last for long periods of time
- 8 Information processing model: The ability to retain information over time involves three processes: encoding, storing, and retrieving
- 9. Levels of processing: Theory says that remembering depends on how

information is encoded

- Information encoded at a shallow level results in poor recall
- Deeper and deepest processing: encode by making new association, resulting in better recall
- 10. Long-term memory: Process of storing almost unlimited amounts of information over long periods of time with the potential of retrieving, or remembering, such information in the future
- II. Long-Term Memory:Storing Primacy effect: better recall, or improvement in retention of information, presented at the beginning of a body of information
- 12. Long-Term Memory:Storing Residency effect: better recall, or improvement in retention of information, presented at the end of a body of information

- 13. Long-Term Memory:Storing Serial Position effect: better recall of information presented at the beginning and end of a body of information rather than in the middle
- 14. Maintenance rehearsal: simply repeating or rehearsing information rather than forming any new associations
 works better for short-term memory
- 15. Memory: Active system that allows people to retain information over time
- 16. Photographic memory: Occurs in adults; ability to form sharp, detailed visual images after examining a picture or page for a short period of time and to recall the entire image at a later date
- Procedural or nondeclarative memory: involves memories for motor skills (playing tennis), some cognitive skills (learning to read), and emotional behaviors learned through classical conditioning (fear of spiders)
 - is a form of implicit memory
 - Implicit memories cannot be consciously known
- 18. Retrieval: Process of selecting information from long-term memory and transferring it back into short-term memory
- 19. Retrieving: process of getting or recalling information that has been placed into short- or long-term storage
- 20. Sensory Memory: Recording Echoic Memory: Form of sensory memory that holds auditory information for 1 to 2 seconds
 - Holds speech sounds long enough to know that sequences of certain sounds form words
- 21. **Sensory Memory: Recording Iconic Memory:** Form of sensory memory that automatically holds visual information for about a quarter of a second or more; as soon as you shift your attention, the information disappears
 - Icon means image
- 22. Short-term memory: Process of holding a limited amount of information (an average of seven items) for a limited period of time (2 to 30 seconds)
- 23. **Storage:** process of placing encoded information into relatively permanent mental storage for later recall
- 24. Three Stages of Memory:Long-term: Process of storing almost unlimited amounts of information over long periods of time
- 25. Three Stages of Memory: Sensory: Initial process that receives and holds environmental information in its raw form for a brief period of time, from an instant to several seconds
- 26. Three Stages of Memory:Short-term: Process that can hold only a limited amount of information (an average of seven items) for a short period of time (from 2 to 30 seconds)

- 27. **Two Kinds of Encoding: Automatic encoding: •** transfer of information from short- to long-term memory without effort and usually without any awareness
- 28. **Two Kinds of Encoding: Effortful encoding: •** transfer of information from short- to long-term memory by working hard to rehearse the information or by making associations between new and old information
- 29. **Two types of declarative memory: Episodic memory:** type of declarative memory that involves knowledge of specific events, personal experiences (episodes), or activities, such as naming or describing favorite restaurants, movies, songs, habits, or hobbies
- 30. **Two types of declarative memory:Semantic memory:** type of declarative memory that involves knowledge of facts, concepts, words, definitions, and language rules
- 31. Working memory: More recent understanding of short-term memory
 - Involves active processing of incoming information from sensory memory and the retrieval of information from long-term memory