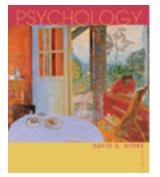
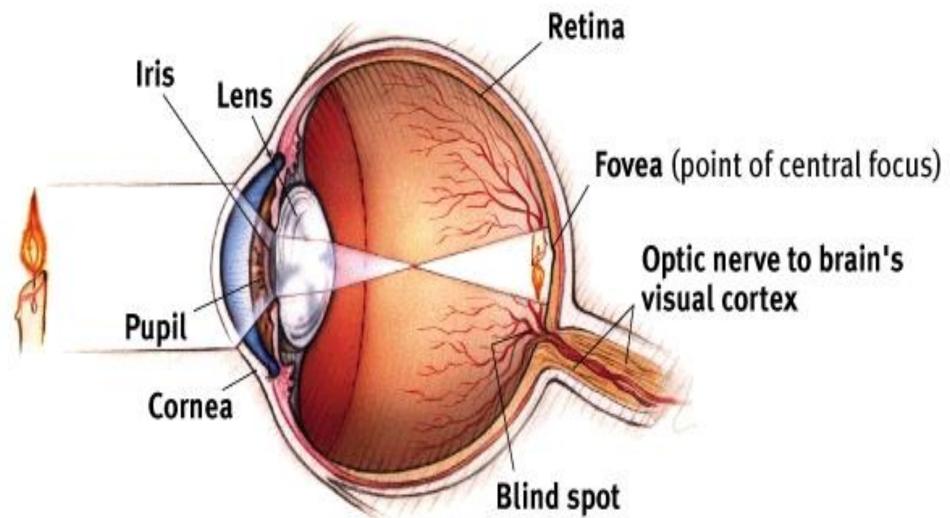
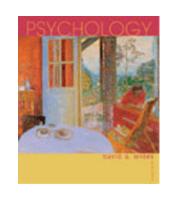


- Pupil- adjustable opening in the center of the eye
- Iris- a ring of muscle that forms the colored portion of the eye around the pupil and controls the size of the pupil opening
- Lens- transparent structure behind pupil that changes shape to focus images on the retina

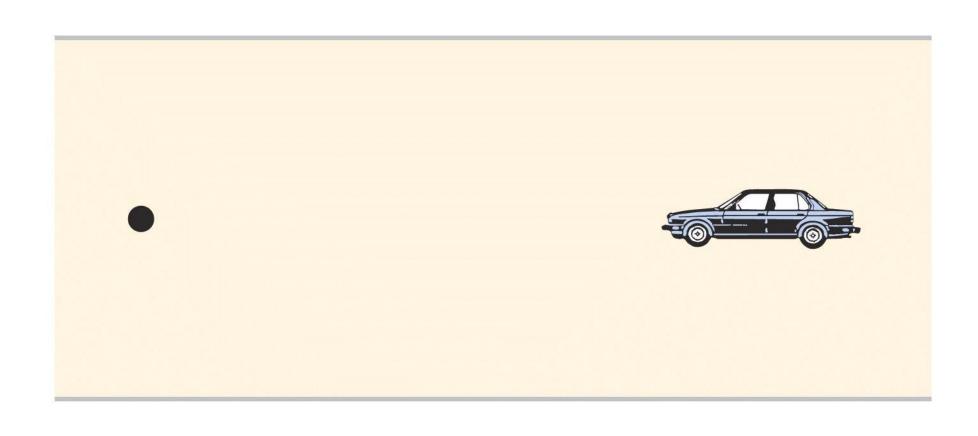


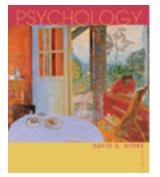


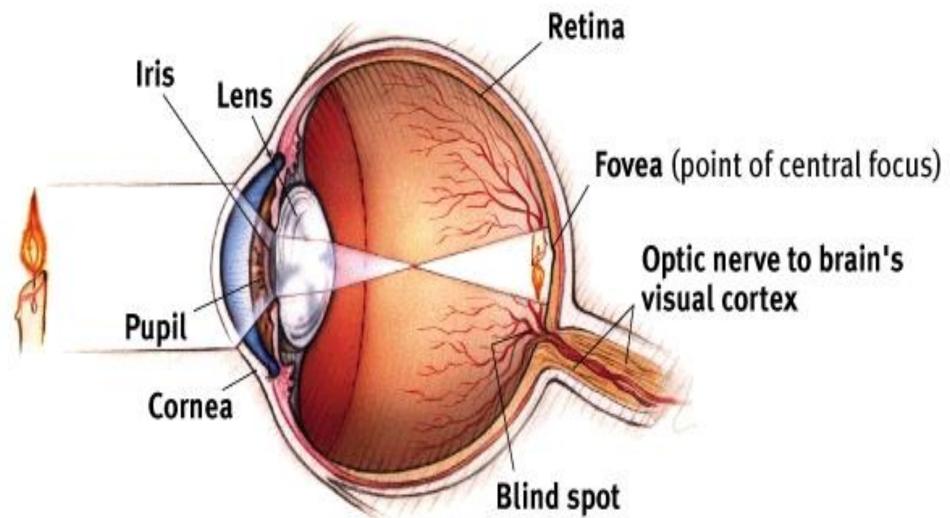
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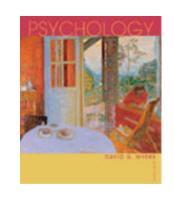
- Optic nerve- nerve that carries neural impulses from the eye to the brain
- Blind Spot- point at which the optic nerve leaves the eye, creating a "blind spot" because there are no receptor cells located there
- Fovea- central point in the retina, around which the eye's cones cluster







Retina's Reaction to Light- Receptors

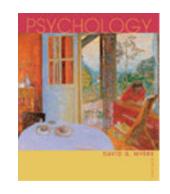


Rods

- peripheral retina
- detect black, white and gray
- twilight or low light

Cones

- near center of retina
- fine detail and color vision
- daylight or well-lit conditions

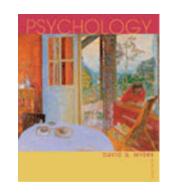


Transduction

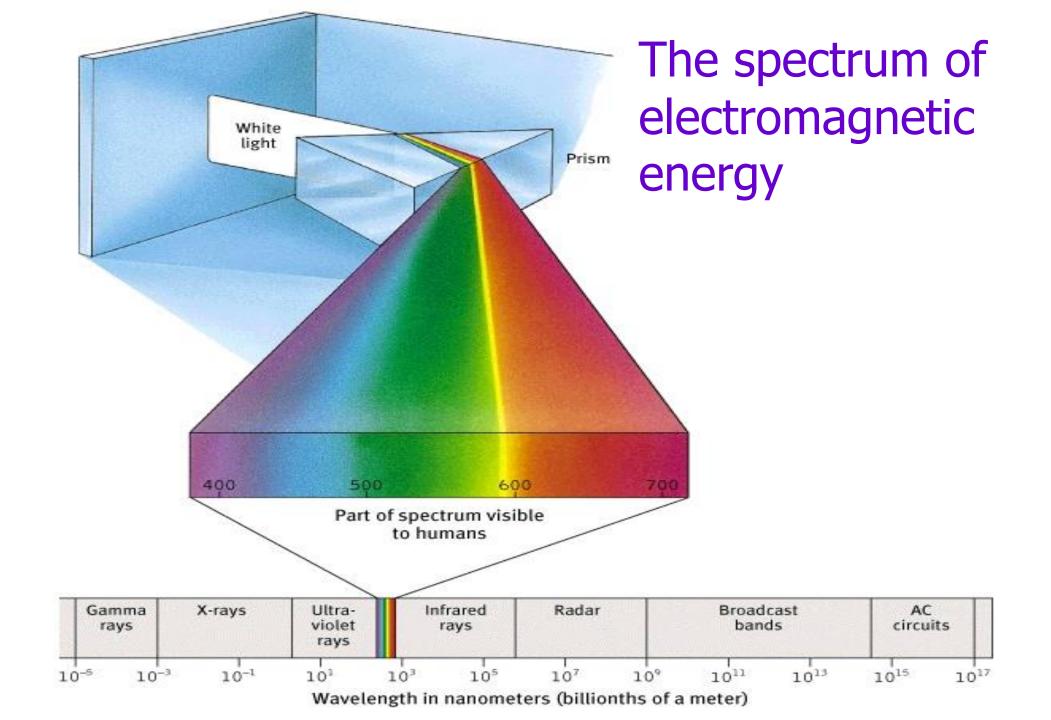
- conversion of one form of energy to another
- in sensation, transforming of stimulus energies into neural impulses

Wavelength

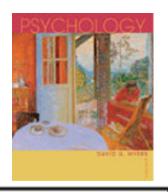
 the distance from the peak of one wave to the peak of the next



- Hue
 - dimension of color determined by wavelength of light
- Intensity
 - amount of energy in a wave determined by amplitude
 - brightness
 - loudness



Vision- Physical Properties of Waves



Short wavelength=high frequency (bluish colors, high-pitched sounds)



Long wavelength=low frequency (reddish colors, low-pitched sounds)

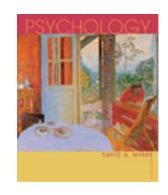


Great amplitude (bright colors, loud sounds)



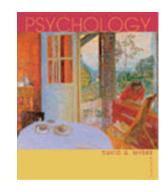
Small amplitude (dull colors, soft sounds)





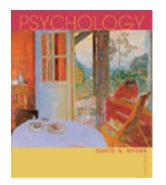
 Accommodation- the process by which the eye's lens changes shape to help focus near or far objects on the retina

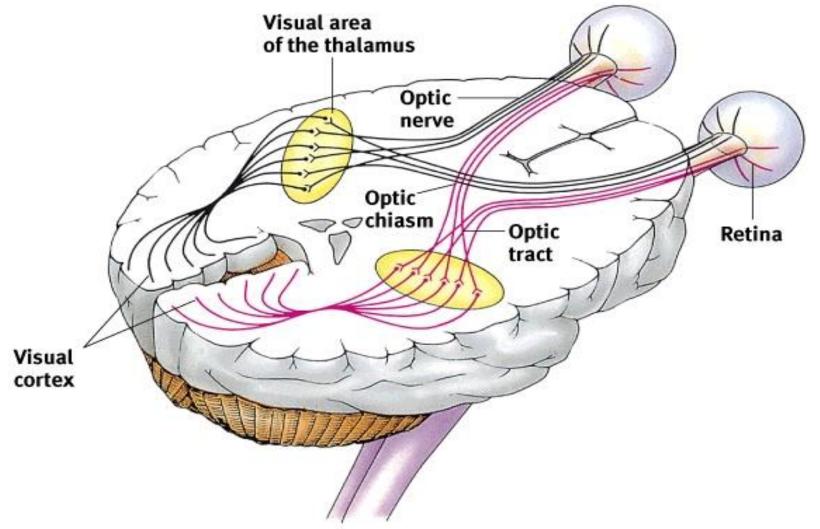
 Retina- the light-sensitive inner surface of the eye, containing receptor rods and cones plus layers of neurons that begin the processing of visual information

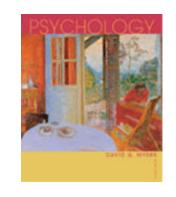


- Acuity- the sharpness of vision
- Nearsightedness- condition in which nearby objects are seen more clearly than distant objects.
- Farsightedness- condition in which faraway objects are seen more clearly than near objects.

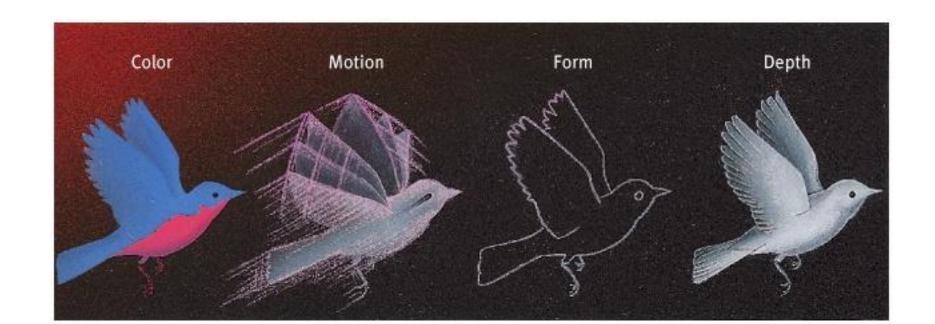
Pathways from the Eyes to the Visual Cortex

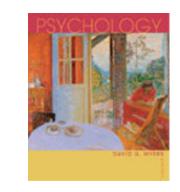




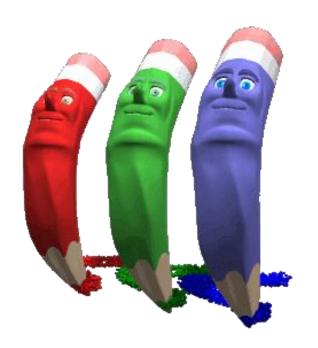


- Parallel Processing
 - simultaneous processing of several aspects of a problem simultaneously

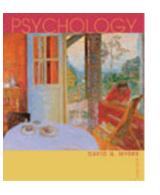


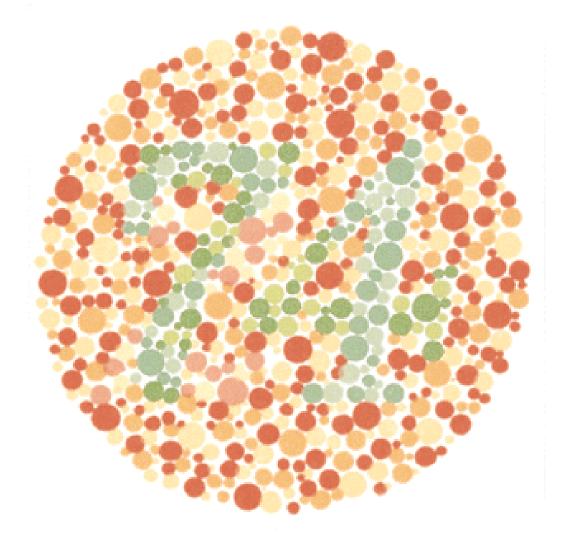


- Trichromatic (three color)
 Theory
 - Young and Helmholtz
 - three different retinal color receptors
 - red
 - green
 - Blue
 - These three types of cones can make millions of combinations of colors.

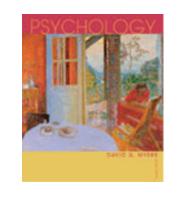


Color-Deficient Vision





 People who suffer red-green blindness have trouble perceiving the number within the design



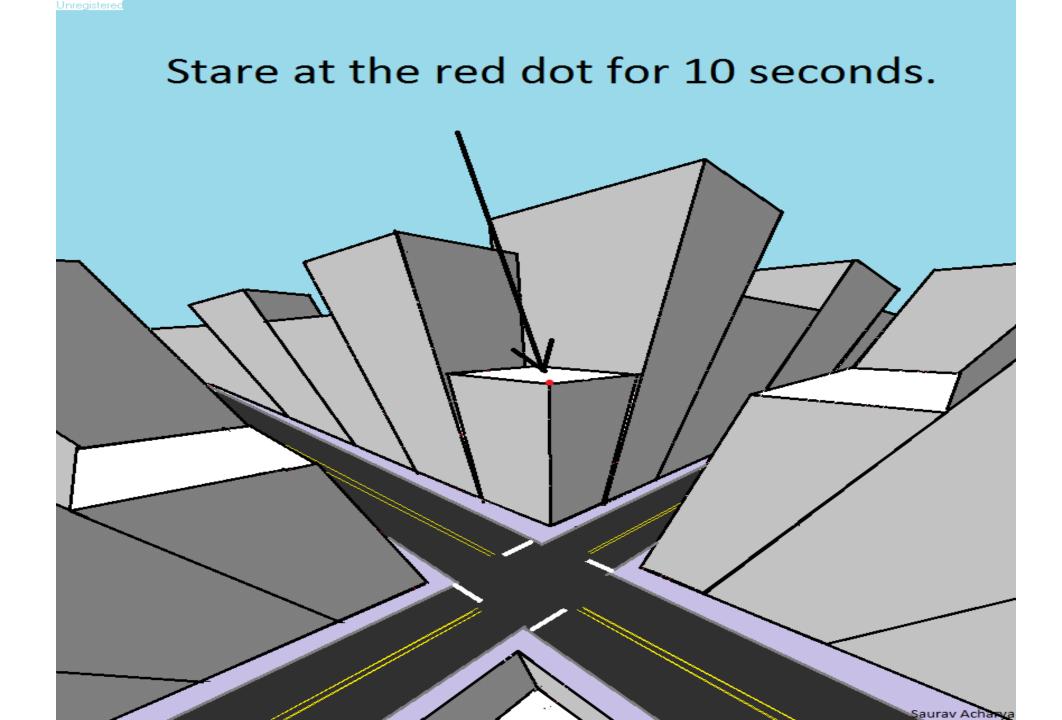
Opponent-Process Theory - opposing retinal processes enable color vision

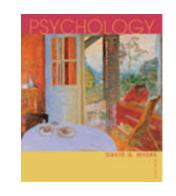
"ON" "OFF"

red green

blue yellow

black white





- Color Constancy
 - Perceiving familiar objects as having consistent color, even if changing illumination alters the wavelengths reflected by the object

Feature Detectors

is a process by which specialized nerve cells in the brain respond to specific features of a visual stimulus, such as lines, edges, angle, or movement