

Cognition

Definitions

1. The mental processes involved in acquiring knowledge.
[*Psychology: Themes and Variations*. Weiten, 1998]
2. The mental process or faculty of knowing, including aspects such as awareness, perception, reasoning, and judgement (Latin: to learn).
[*American Heritage Dictionary*, CD-ROM, 3rd. ed., 1995]
3. The means whereby information is acquired, transformed, reduced, elaborated, stored, recovered, and used. [*The Encyclopedic Dictionary of Psychology*, 3rd ed., 1986]
4. The use or handling of knowledge.
[*The Oxford Companion to the Mind*, 1987]
5. a) The act or process of knowing in the broadest sense; specifically, an intellectual process by which knowledge is gained about perceptions or ideas;

b) A product of this act, process, faculty, or capacity: knowledge, perception (Latin: to know).
[*Websters Third New International Dictionary of the English Language Unabridged*, 1976]