

Endel Tulving's *memory game*

Tulving proved that the brain lays down memories independently from the way they are retrieved. This game illustrates the point. The game has three stages.

In the first stage, you see a series of words (the higher your level, the more words). Each word will appear by itself for 3 seconds. After all the words have been displayed the second part of the game begins. You now must type as many words as you can remember in the white boxes provided. Put one word in each box. The order doesn't matter. When you can't remember any more, click "That's All I Remember". Now the third part of the game begins. You get hints for each of the words you forgot or have entered incorrectly and you get another chance to type in the word. After all the words are done you are shown a summary of the results.

The object of the game is to show that everyone remembers more than they think. Even though you may think you forgot words, you haven't. The brain just doesn't know where to find them. Cues like the hints in this game are useful for retrieving memories.

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