

## Principles of Psychology v1 - Chapter 3: On Some General Conditions of Brain-Activity

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- The author affirms that simple reaction-time is when the outcome(s) are predetermined due to one possible signal and one possible movement.
- The author attests that perception and apperception are equivalent to *inattentive awareness* of an object and *attention* to an object.
- The author asserts that reaction-time varies with the individual and age; older participants have an approximately one-second delay, and children have a half-a-second delay.
- The author avows that practice for the older participants can reduce delay to .1866 sec, while fatigue lengthens it (reaction-time), and concentration of attention shortens it (reaction-time); the nature of the signal varies.