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Stellingen

1. The perceptual bias for repetition is one of the most salient biases infants possess, and a precursor for rule learning. (*This thesis*)
2. What the researcher perceives as a simple task may be processed in a complex manner by a participant, while what the researcher perceives as a complex task may be processed in a simple manner by a participant. (*This thesis*)
3. Rule learning in the visual domain may be as robust (or as weak) as that found in the auditory domain. (*This thesis*)
4. Failure in artificial grammar learning experiments is often indicative of a failure of task rather than a lack of learning ability. (*This thesis*)
5. Replication is the cornerstone of scientific understanding and should be valued as highly as a novel discovery. (*Research field*)
6. Research about language perception should always take the child's current stage of production into account and vice versa. (*Research field*)
7. Interspecies comparative research brings the understanding that we are not alone in many of our cognitive capabilities. This in turn fosters new respect for other species and further wonder about ourselves. (*Research field*)
8. Language acquisition is child's play, but understanding how it works remains a complicated puzzle for researchers. (*Research field*)
9. Writing a PhD thesis focusing on language acquisition in infants brings some much needed peace of mind with respect to raising a quadrilingual child. (*General*)
10. Teaching others is the surest and most rewarding way to learn. (*General*)
11. No one gets to where they are on their own. This is particularly true in science and research. (*General*)