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Willems I investigate how our brain helps us understand language in general, and stories in particular. What you think of when you read a story, and why people like stories, are my main topics of interest. In the long run, I hope my research will help in getting young people to read more books, and have more fun doing so. As you can see in the picture, I am left-handed left-footed too, which is probably why I became interested in investigating handedness and the brain. Clyde Francks I am trying to find genes that make the two halves of the brain different from each other. The left and right sides have their own special skills. For example, the left is better at language in most people. I study families with lots of left-handers, see www. Walking in the forest with my kids and Caribbean wife, foods of the world, Bachata music some of it anyway, and no I cannot dance. Young Reviewers Iliyan Age: I am creating a website offering gaming reviews and tips. My favorite subjects are physics, neuroscience, and computer programing. I attend science lectures at the University of Reading during the Christmas holidays. I also love cars, vintage and modern; my favorite model is the Ford Mustang Shelby. I also enjoy giving my friends pointers on video games and when updates or when new games are coming out and their stats. I enjoy cycling, swimming, sailing, and running. There was a time not so long ago when left-handers were stigmatized see Glossary in Western and other communities: As a matter of fact, science can learn from left-handers, and in this paper, we discuss how this may be the case. Why are You Left-Handed? Despite many years of research, the reason why one person turns out to be a left-hander and another does not remains a mystery. Handedness is partly heritable see Glossary: A much debated influence is the level of the hormone testosterone in utero in the womb while an unborn child fetus is developing. Regarding the heritable factors, researchers have found several genes which may be involved in handedness. Interestingly, it seems that there is not one gene which contributes to determining whether people are left-handed or not. Most likely, different genetic influences are involved. Of course, children learn from their caregivers, so one may expect that if one of the parents is left-handed, the child might become left-handed just by imitation. One reason why this cannot be the full story is that hand preference can already be observed before birth. This observation of fetal handedness is at odds with the finding that some children seem to switch their hand preference, at least up to the age of 2 [3, 4]. Perhaps some people are left- or right-handed at birth, whereas others develop their preference later on, during the first years of life. Are you confused about what makes a person left-handed or not? Whatever the exact causes may be, this is not a simple story, but a very complex interplay of genes, environment, and chance. Let us leave this topic for now, and have a look at the left-handed brain. Is the Left-Handed Brain Different? Sometimes, people are amazed to hear that the brains of left-handers are different from those of right-handers. But it is clear that they should differ in some respects: It is only natural that the parts of the brain that control movements should be different in left-handers and right-handers Figure 1. Compare this to skilled musicians: To study exactly how the brains of left- and right-handers differ, we need to look at brain lateralization. Figure 1 - Brain activation when participants imagined performing common hand actions. Left- and right-handed participants imagined performing actions such as throwing or writing. It is striking that in left-handers yellow, only areas of the right side of the brain were activated, whereas it was the opposite in right-handers blue. Left-handers thus imagine themselves writing with their left hand, which is mainly controlled by the right hemisphere, and vice versa for right-handers. Picture from Willems et al [8]. Brain lateralization refers to the fact that the left and right sides of the brain are not the same. The two sides differ in their anatomy, and also in what they do. By the way, lateralization is also found in the rest of the body: Left-handers are distinct from right-handers in that they tend to have less lateralization in the brain. A well-known example of this is language, which is mainly a function of the left side of the brain in right-handers 2. Although left-sided language areas in the brain are still important in left-handers, the difference between left and right sides tends to be less strong. A similar example comes from face perception, which is rightward-lateralized in the majority of people, meaning that mainly right-sided parts of the brain are responsive to faces. Again, left-handers tend to use both left and right regions of the brain relatively often when they see a face [5]. Do Left-Handers Think Differently? Does this mean that left-handers think differently? Well, yes and no. Increased musical abilities are another often-cited skill that left-handers might possess, but again, there is very little evidence to support this. While amusing, these lists span several decades of pop music, and you will find if you try that for every left-handed guitarist in such lists, you could easily come up with enough right-handed guitarists to match the usual 9: Although there is no good evidence for left-handers being more gifted than right-handers, the opposite is also true: This had been suggested for a long time see our comment above on stigma. Left-handers may think differently in another respect, though. Left-handers activated the motor cortex that controls their left hand, whereas right-handers activated the motor cortex that controls their right hand â€" as if they were really writing, while they were only listening to the word. On a related note, left- and right-handers differ in how they judge positive and negative attributes of things in the space around them. The figures were presented on either the left or right side of a screen. Left-handers rated figures presented on the left in more positive terms, and right-handers rated figures on the right in more positive terms [7]. Left-handers rated Fribbles presented on the left side of the page as more positive, whereas right-handers did the opposite. The explanation for this finding was that left-handers act most fluently with the left side of their body, and right-handers with the right side of their body. Because of this fluency difference, positive and negative attitudes are also mapped onto opposing sides of space [7, 9]. It seems that the way in which we do things with our hands influences our thinking, at least to some extent. Left-handedness is an intriguing phenomenon in its own right. However, scientists do not study left-handedness just because it is a fun topic. Left-handedness can shed light on diverse issues that go beyond the study of hand preference per se. Here are two more examples, in addition to the research we already described: Over the course of evolution, there must have been changes in the brain that resulted in most humans preferring to use their right hands, while at the same time maintaining a stable minority that prefers to do things with the left hand. Why was this case, and what could have been the advantages? The lateralization of language in the brain see above has led to speculation that early humans started to communicate with their hands first, and only developed spoken language later. Genes that create left-right asymmetries in the brain. Identifying genes that influence hand preference may shed light on the basis of lateralization of the brain and other body functions. How this arises during development is still poorly understood, but it is a very important aspect of our biology. Hand preference is partly heritable, pointing to a genetic contribution. However, the relevant genes are likely to interact with environmental and chance factors to determine the handedness of a specific person. The brains of left-handers and right-handers are somewhat different. Left-handers tend to have less lateralized brains, meaning that the two halves of the brain are less distinct than in right-handers. The study of left-handers can help us answer several important scientific questions. All of this means that left-handers have many reasons to feel special, for after all, the large majority of people are not left-handed. At the same time, bold claims about creativity and other ways in which left-handers may be super-gifted are probably not true. Quite the contrary, it is also active, but less so than the left side. Identical twins and Fraternal twins: They differ from fraternal twins, who develop from different fertilizations and are only genetically related, like any other pair of siblings. Further Reading McManus, I. Right Hand, Left Hand. The Puzzle of Left-Handedness. On the other hand: Genetic influences on handedness: The developmental origins of laterality: Development of hand preference for object-directed actions and pointing gestures: Cerebral lateralization of face-selective and body-selective visual areas depends on handedness. Body-specific representations of action verbs: Embodiment of abstract concepts: Body-specific motor imagery of hand actions: A new hold on how we think.

2: Your Left-Handed Brain A. Frontiers for Young Minds

Part 2 - Full Episode This episode takes place pre-dawn, right after Jennifer Smith's birthday party. Decided to post the entire episode becasue it closes the gap on what happened with L&L during.

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3: Chronological List

As a lefty girl, 2/3 of my closest girl friends are left handed. A few of my guy friends are left handed, and I've never been in a serious relationship with a lefty. Don't think I've even been attracted to one.

In more formal cultures that stress conformity, such as Asian, Muslim and Latin American countries, the rates tend to be much lower. The difficulty of teaching complex Chinese and Japanese calligraphy has been suggested as another reason why children there are more likely to adopt the same handedness as their teachers. Indeed, it is perhaps a testament to the tenacity and persistence of left-handedness that there are still any left-handers at all in Eastern cultures like Korea and Japan. It has been suggested this occurs because girls are more receptive to social mores and more likely to conform than boys although there may also be a genetic component. In the same way, the percentage of left-handers tends to be much smaller than the overall average among Chinese Americans, those who attended Catholic schools, and older generations raised in the more conformist Pre-War years. Other statistics back up this trend: This is unlikely to be due to any genetic factors, and probably reflects the changing attitudes towards left-handedness a relaxation of the stigma and social pressure against it and the educational reforms against systematic switching during education. Interestingly, left-handedness is almost twice as likely among twins as among the general population. Left-handed parents are also about twice as likely to produce twin offspring. And finally, left-handers are about twice as likely to have left-handed children as right-handers. These statistics suggest intuitively that there is some sort of link between twins and handedness, but just what that link might be has been perplexingly resistant to discovery. There are, of course, also major inconsistencies between the two phenomena of left-handedness and twins, not the least of which being that monozygotic or "identical" twins occur only 3 or 4 times out of every 1, births as compared to over in every 1, for left-handedness. In past times and presumably in some countries even today, it seems possible that the long-standing prejudice against left-handedness could even have interfered with the mating prospects of left-handers. A meta-study by Chris MacManus and Phil Bryden showed that, prior to, two right-handed parents averaged 3. Interestingly, since, this situation has actually completely reversed, suggesting that left-handers are now in the ascendancy, although the implications of this in the longer term are not clear. In some respects, mixed-handedness is more prevalent towards the left hand side of the scale than the right. Another way of looking at this is that left-handedness is more likely to be a weak handeness preference, whereas right-handedness is more likely to be a strong preference. For example, about half of all left-handers who write with their left hands prefer to throw a ball with their right hands, and actually do so more accurately than with their left. Other Aspects of Laterality Other studies have attempted to estimate other aspects of laterality. Also, foot use does not require anything like the same level of motor control as hand use. Other less important but nonetheless interesting aspects of laterality include hand-clasping and arm-folding. Hand-clasping can be demonstrated by quickly clasping your hands together, interlacing the fingers in what feels like the most natural way. Arm-folding also shows evidence of a type of handedness:

4: Index: Stories, Listed by Title

Famous left-handed intellectuals include Albert Einstein, Isaac Newton, Charles Darwin, and Benjamin Franklin. [2] Mothers who are over 40 at the time of a child's birth are % more likely to have a left-handed baby than a woman in her 20s.

This scholarship is awarded to left-handed students who will be attending Juniata College. This scholarship is only available to students who are enrolled at Juniata College. LPA is a nonprofit organization that provides information and support to people of short stature and their families. The Billy Barty Foundation also sponsors a scholarship for college students who have a medical form of dwarfism. Individual chapters may also offer local awards. Candidates must be under 21 years old and plan to attend college in the fall. US citizenship is required. Entrants must enter as a couple two individuals and attend a high school prom wearing complete attire or accessories made from duct tape. The submission must include a color photograph of the couple together in prom attire. The winning couple will be selected based on a variety of criteria, including originality, workmanship, quantity of Duck Tape used, use of colors, and creative use of accessories. The Duck Tape contest web site includes photographs of the winning costumes. College Scholarship Random House, the publisher of the Dr. Essays must be original, typed, double-spaced, written in English, at most one page, in at least 12 point type and no more than words. The essay must answer the essay question fully. The deadline is February For more information send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: The awards are intended for average students who nevertheless have a creative mind. Winners are selected primarily based on creativity. Projects may involve a variety of media, including written work, research, audio, video, graphics and film. Collegiate Inventors Competition Sponsored by the National Inventors Hall of Fame, the Collegiate Inventors Competition previously known as the BFGoodrich Collegiate Inventors Program seeks to encourage undergraduate and graduate students to pursue new ideas, processes and technological innovations. The invention must have been reduced to practice and patentable. It may not have been made available to the public as a commercial product or process or been patented or published more than one year prior to the date of submission to the competition. Submissions are judged on originality and inventiveness, as well as on their potential value to society socially, environmentally, and economically, and on the range or scope of use. Up to four students may work together as a team, but only one prize will be awarded per entry. The deadline is June 1. Broadway Street, Akron, Ohio Recipients must maintain at least a 2. The application deadline is March 1. Applications are available on the MSOE financial aid web site. Salinger Award The J. Salinger Award at Ursinus College is intended to recognize and support "oddball geniuses" in the field of creative writing. The unconventional award is named after the renowned author of The Catcher in the Rye, who attended Ursinus College in The competition is open to high school seniors. Candidates must be nominated by a high school teacher or guidance counselor for their "quirky brilliance". Recipients are selected on the basis of a portfolio of 10 to 15 pages of creative work in fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction or hybrid genres. Although grades are not weighted as heavily, candidates should be able to achieve admission to Ursinus College i. The deadline is January The Anthem Essay Contest is open to high school freshmen and sophomores. There are a total of awards. The deadline is in mid-March. The Fountainhead Essay Contest is open to high school juniors and seniors. The deadline is in mid-April. The Atlas Shrugged Essay Contest is open to all college students. There are a total of 49 awards. The deadline is in mid-September. Essay topics and other information about these contests can be found at www. For more information, send email to essays aynrand. The scholarship provides full tuition for four years. Other scholarships for students with particular last names include: Gatling at North Carolina State University. There is no known relationship between John Gatling and Richard Jordan Gatling, the inventor of the Gatling machine gun. John Gatling made his fortune as a real estate developer in Raleigh, NC. Recipients must enroll as a full-time undergraduate at an accredited college or university the fall after high school graduation. The award is given to skateboard activists. The deadline is in late April. For more information visit the web site. The pool competition has been held twice a year since February The tournament is sponsored by Barry Lefkowitz, a graduate of the University of Akron

who was the university billiards champion in Candidates must demonstrate excellence in academics, athletic performance, leadership and community service. Candidates must also be a resident of one of the 48 contiguous states or the District of Columbia. The deadline is in early March. Scholarship for golf caddies. Caddies must be nominated by their club, rank among the top 25 percent of their high school class, have a superior caddie record for two or more years, demonstrate financial need, and have outstanding personal character. More than new Evans Scholars are chosen each year. Another scholarship for golf caddies is the Francis Ouimet Caddie Scholarship. Crowe Star of Tomorrow. Male high school or college student. Junior or senior in high school. The tournament is held in June each year. Surfrider Foundation Thomas Pratte Memorial Scholarship The Thomas Pratte Memorial Scholarship is sponsored by the Surfrider Foundation for for students with an interest in coastal environmental science, such as oceanography, marine affairs, environmental sciences, public policy, community planning and natural resources. The deadline is March For more information, write to Surfrider Foundation, Attn: Other scholarships with a connection to surfing include:

5: Left-Handed Athletes | Best Left Handed Sports Players

To determine whether lefties were more likely to pursue creative careers than righties, the folks behind the Left-Handers Club (a pro-leftie group dedicated to left-handed research and product.

Left-handers are the odd ones out. Sure, lefties make up about 10 percent of the population â€" but, frankly, it seems like society has forgotten about them. Just consider all of the right-handed gadgets, awkwardly designed desks, and cooking tools that fit comfortably only in your right hand. What causes someone to become a southpaw? And researchers have found different brain wirings in righties vs. But no matter what it is that drives someone to use their antipodal paw, science has also uncovered a particular set of personality traits that left-handed people tend to have. But researchers have found that in populations with certain mental disorders, that rate goes up. Previous studies have found that people with psychosis had a 20 percent likelihood of being left-handed, though a small study in the journal SAGE found the rate of psychotic lefties may be even higher. For those with mood disorders such as depression or bipolar disorder, the rate of left-handedness was close to average, at 11 percent. Researchers theorize brain laterality plays a role. Your Handedness May Determine Your Health Scientists have also found an increased risk for dyslexia, ADHD, and certain mood disorders in left-handed people, according to a study published in Pediatrics. Your noggin is divided into two halves: But about 30 percent of left-handed folks are either partial to the right hemisphere or have no dominant hemisphere at all. According to scientists, having one hemisphere dominate is much more efficient, which is why some left-handers are at increased risk for learning impairments and brain disorders. But lefties may be in luck when it comes to other health conditions: Results of a large survey published in the journal Laterality found that left-handers had lower rates of arthritis and ulcers. Lefties Hear Speeches Differently People who use their left hands when listening may more easily hear slowly-changing sounds than those who use their right hands, according to a study from Georgetown University Medical Center. The researchers who conducted the study, presented at Neuroscience, found that the left and right hemispheres of the brain specialize in different kinds of sounds. The left hemisphere, which controls the right hand, likes rapidly-changing sounds like consonants, while the right hemisphere, which controls the left hand, likes slowly-changing sounds like syllables or intonation. The research could ultimately result in better treatment for stroke and language disorders. An earlier version of this post stated that people who use their left hands may more easily hear rapidly-changing sounds that those who use their right hands. In fact, left-handers hear slow-changing sounds better. University of Kansas researchers recently determined the handedness of ancient humans by studying â€" oddly enough â€" their teeth. The study, which was published in the journal Laterality, found that when our great-great-great-great-you get the point -grandfathers processed animal hides, they would hold one side of the carcass in one hand and the other in their mouth. By locating the wear and tear on those prehistoric chompers, scientists were able to determine whether our prehistoric ancestors were using their left hand or right hand more dominantly "All you need to have is a single tooth, and you can tell if our assumptions are right â€" if the individual is right- or left-handed," study researcher David Frayer, Ph. According to research published in the American Journal of Psychology, there is some evidence that left-handed people have the upper hand in at least one creative facet: But that may also add up to lower paychecks: A surprisingly high percentage of recent U. The lengthy list of left-handed leaders includes four of the last seven commanders in chief â€" President Obama , Bill Clinton, George H. Should right-handed presidential wannabes fake it? But one recent Dutch study suggests that left-handed politicians actually have an advantage in televised debates. Actually, left-handers may have the advantage in sports that involve two opponents facing each other, such as in tennis, boxing, and baseball, according to an MSNBC review of the book The Puzzle of Left-Handedness, by Rik Smits. The author chalks it up to the fact that left-handed athletes get a lot more opportunity to practice against right-handed opponents than vice versa since there are so many more righties out there. Lefties Are Scaredy-Cats Boo! For the study, participants watched an eight-minute clip from the frightening film Silence of the Lambs. When asked to recall events from the segment, lefties were far more likely to show signs of post-traumatic stress disorder than righties, including

giving fragmented descriptions and making more mistakes. According to a small study published in the Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease, lefties are more prone to having negative emotions. In addition, they seem to have a more difficult time processing their feelings. Again, this seems to be related to the brain-hand connection. Compared to righties, left-handed participants in the study showed an imbalance in activity between the left and right hemispheres when trying to process their moodiness. For years, myth has held that left-handers are more likely to become alcoholics. Research into the topic was murky, however, and relied on small samples. But a survey of more than 25, people from 12 countries has cleared things up a bit. While lefties are not more prone to alcoholism, they do drink more often. Researcher Kevin Denny, who examined the data for a paper published in the British Journal of Health Psychology, says the main takeaway should be debunking that whole left-handedness-alcoholism link. August 13 is International Left-Handers Day. Lefties across the globe celebrate the annual event, which was launched in by the UK-based Left-Handers Club to increase awareness about the left-handed lifestyle. And that rule also extends to any right-handers who happen to enter the leftie zone. In fact, some researchers believe that when it comes to survival of the fittest, lefties come out on top. In one-on-one combat, using the left-hand is like throwing a curveball. To dig deeper, Faurie and her colleague Michel Raymond studied nine different primitive societies. Looks like the left hand has the upper hand after all.

6: Why so few left handed gods? OH BOY A LIST!~: Smite

The only god I can think of is Tyr, but he's only left handed because his right hand got bitten off, but since this is Reddit, and I feel obligated to make a longer post because some might not believe me I'm going to make a list (because this has been on my mind a while).

7: Spotting a left-handed child - Toddler development -MadeForMums

The hypothalamus-pituitary-testis axis in boys during the first six months of life: a comparison of cryptorchidism and hypospadias cases with controls Frank H. Pierik 1,2, James A. Deddens 3.

8: Handedness and sexual orientation - Wikipedia

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9: Why do women tell me being left handed is sexy? : AskWomen

A relationship between handedness and sexual orientation has been suggested by a number of researchers, who report that heterosexual individuals are somewhat more likely to be right-handed than are homosexual individuals.

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