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Psychology Spelling & Vocabulary Words

Read each of the spelling / vocabulary words listed below and the paragraph beneath them, then practice writing each word in the spaces provided.

1. Psychology

A) The study of the mind and how it works; B) The state of someone's mind at any given moment; i.e., Kayla's psychology is in a really dark place.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

2. Cortex

The outer layer of the brain. The cortex specializes in thinking, reasoning, and conscious thought, whereas instincts and impulses originate from older, more primitive inner regions of the brain.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

3. Neuron

A specialized type of nerve cell in the brain that collects and transmits information. Neurons look a bit like a beet or radish – there's a head with an axon growing off either end and root-like things called dendrites branching out from the axons to connect to other neurons.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. Belief

A belief is an idea you have about something or someone. Beliefs alter the way we feel and can make us either happy or sad about something.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

5. Reason

To think about something in a logical, rational way; to comprehend something. It's extremely important to use reason in our thinking. Sadly, this is something many people fail to do.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____