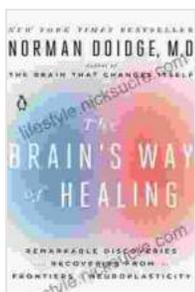


Remarkable Discoveries And Recoveries From The Frontiers Of Neuroplasticity

Neuroplasticity, the brain's ability to adapt, heal, and rewire itself, has captured the attention of scientists and researchers for decades.

Once thought to be fixed and unchangeable, we now know that the brain is a dynamic organ capable of remarkable change throughout life.



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This discovery has opened up new possibilities for recovery and rehabilitation after injury or disease.

1. Stroke Recovery

Stroke is a leading cause of disability worldwide, affecting millions of people each year.

In the past, stroke was thought to cause permanent damage to the brain.

However, research has shown that the brain can reorganize itself after a stroke, forming new neural pathways to compensate for the damaged areas.

This process, known as neuroplasticity, can help stroke survivors regain some of their lost function.

Neurorehabilitation, which uses exercises and activities to stimulate neuroplasticity, can help stroke survivors improve their mobility, speech, and cognitive function.



2. Brain Injury Recovery

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is another condition that can cause significant damage to the brain.

Like stroke, TBI was once thought to cause permanent damage.

However, research has shown that the brain can also reorganize itself after a TBI.

Neuroplasticity can help TBI survivors regain some of their lost function.

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3. Learning and Memory

Neuroplasticity is not only important for recovery from injury or disease.

It is also essential for learning and memory.

When we learn something new, the brain creates new neural pathways.

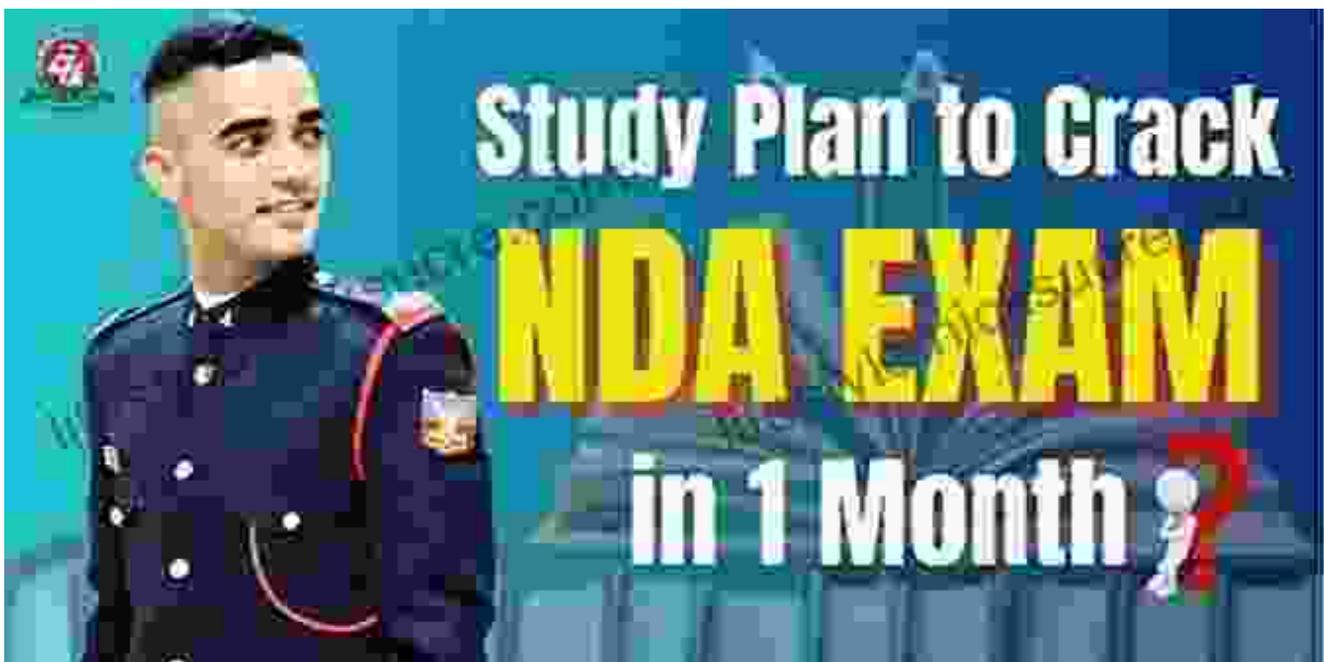
The more we practice, the stronger these pathways become.

This is why repetition is so important for learning.

Neuroplasticity also allows us to adapt to new situations.

When we encounter something new, the brain creates new neural pathways to help us process the information.

This is why we can learn from our experiences and improve our performance over time.



4. Brain Health

Neuroplasticity is also important for brain health.

As we age, our brains naturally lose some of their plasticity.

However, there are things we can do to maintain our brain health and slow down the aging process.

Some of these things include:

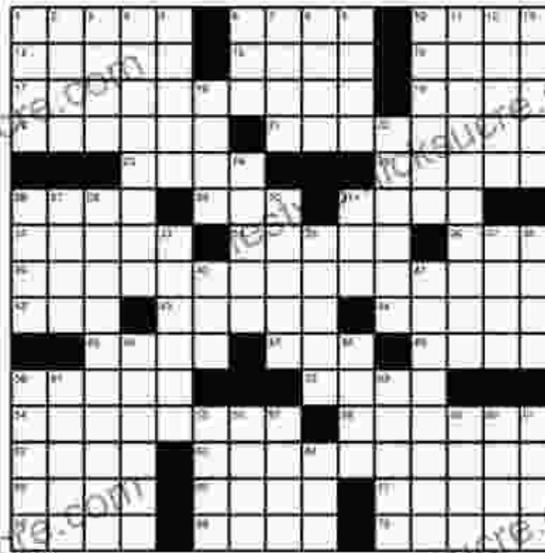
- Engaging in mentally stimulating activities
- Exercising regularly
- Eating a healthy diet
- Getting enough sleep

By following these tips, we can help to keep our brains healthy and plastic for as long as possible.

Precedents

ACROSS

1. Emulates a bonfire
6. iPhone offering
10. Years in Brasil
14. Map detail
15. One may be dropped in a stable
16. Make manifest
17. Ex-governor host of the TV's "Conspiracy Theory"
19. Art Deco designer
20. Emphatic refusal
21. Thin and rugged
23. Letters on a New Year's invite
25. Vegas naturals
26. Back-alley merchant's call
29. Paragon of pomposity
31. Subject of a "60 Minutes" spray expose
32. What you might put down once you've found a place to stay
34. "Centipede" company
36. Word with rat or report
39. Frequent part of a New Year's toast
42. Famously flamboyant pig puppet's favorite pronoun
43. Training locale for "Underwear Bomber" Abdulmutallab
44. "Monsters vs. Aliens" actor Zellweger
45. Don's truck
47. Short short time
49. Contents of many software boxes
50. Project Mercury missile



52. Mr. Jones of the Monkees
 54. Deterrence
 58. Jam or kettle of fish
 62. It's propelled by a pole
 63. Melody frequently played in late December
 65. Riga resident
 66. Kind of box on a car
 67. Principle
 68. Canadian gas brand
 69. Days we'll never see again?
 70. ___ of one's own medicine
- DOWN**
1. Rembrandt van ___
 2. Count Basie's ___ "Clock Jump"
 3. Org.
 4. Fall back on
 5. Cat who is now named Yusuf Islam

6. Back on board
7. Dispose of a teapot
8. Moby's start
9. Pollack perennial
10. Ring of color
11. Place for Pan feed
12. Like some horse feed
13. Ioharod equipment
18. Bygone Chevy with a much maligned name
22. The Monkees' Micky Dolenz, according to song
24. "Selah" site
25. Brit's buggy
27. One way to fly
28. New Year's parties, e.g.
30. Dirty dwellings
31. Wall St. worker
33. Least forward
35. Pimple

37. Antiquing device
38. Ulee's miners?
40. Sosquipedalian treasure trove; abbr.
41. Like Kalamazoo's New Year's ball
46. "Shall we?"
48. Crunch, for one
50. iPhone offerer
51. Levels
53. OS recently (and thankfully) replaced by Windows 7
55. Pop of rock
56. Dunkable delight
57. Approach
59. Bing's relative at Vegas
60. Canadian New Year's parties
61. Sunrise direction, in Sonora
64. "I heard him exclaim, ___ he drove out of sight..."

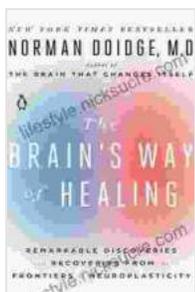
Engaging in mentally stimulating activities can help to maintain brain health.

Neuroplasticity is a remarkable process that allows the brain to adapt, heal, and rewire itself.

This discovery has opened up new possibilities for recovery and rehabilitation after injury or disease.

It has also given us a new understanding of how the brain learns and remembers.

By understanding neuroplasticity, we can better understand ourselves and our potential.



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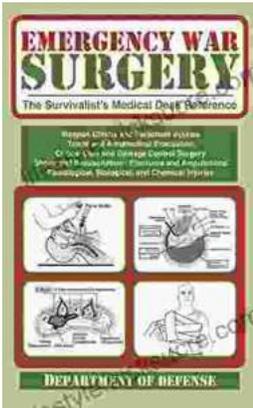
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