Emotion: Circuit (System) Level



- Panksepp sensory-motor circuits
- The Papez Circuit
- The Gray Circuit
- The Limbic System
- The LeDoux Circuit
- Emotions and Reinforcement
 - According to Rolls, emotions are states elicited by reinforcing stimuli. The <u>amygdala</u> participate in the formation of stimulus-reinforcement associations, while the <u>orbitofrontal cortex</u> is involved in modifying these association upon changes in stimulus contingencies (Rolls 1986). Emotion have 6 main functions: Elicitation of autonomic responses, flexibility of behavioral response to reinforcing stimuli, motivation, communication, social bonding and survival (Rolls 1999).

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