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### **History of Psychology-Week 7**

William James was an American psychologist who worked in the field of functional psychology. James is known to be one of the greatest American psychologists to scholars, he has been influential in the field of psychology with his dedication to science and psychology. James has written a book titled, "The Principles of Psychology," where James his goal in psychology is not the discovery of elemental experiences. In his book, he mentioned consciousness. James' viewpoint on consciousness is much different from Wundt's view due to having a different analysis of the elements of consciousness. James believed physical substructures of consciousness were a part of psychology. James believed that consciousness was a basic part of psychology and is considered to be a natural setting along with being a human being. This is when William James created the stream of consciousness.