

Observation Skills Notes

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- Forensic investigators must rely on their ability to _____, _____, and _____ observations clearly.
- Examiners must be able to identify the evidence, record it, and determine its _____.
- This is difficult, as human _____ is always a possibility.
- We are constantly gathering information about our _____.
- 5 senses-

- The brain _____ this information
- It can't hold all of the information that is observed on a daily basis
- Paying attention to detail takes _____.
- Observations cannot be confused with _____.
- Perceptions are made as a result of an _____.
Ex. If you get cold EVERY TIME you go in the bank, then you may believe that all banks are cold.
- Perceptions can be _____!
- How does the brain take observations and process them?

- Memory fades with _____ (long term memory)
- If you don't use it, you'll _____ it!
- The brain contains 4 lobes (regions):

Frontal Lobe

Parietal Lobe-

Occipital Lobe-

Temporal Lobe-

- Forensic investigators are not the only people that rely on good observation skills to solve crimes.
- Many times, investigators must rely on the observation skills of the _____
_____ at a crime scene.