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move around"" was spearheaded by Eleanor and James Gibson in the 1950's and culminated in James Gibson's last