1. Record Nr. UNINA9910790520103321 Autore Thompson Richard F. Titolo Memory: The Key to Consciousness / / Richard F. Thompson, Stephen A. Madigan Pubbl/distr/stampa Princeton, NJ:,: Princeton University Press,, [2013] ©2008 **ISBN** 1-4008-4948-9 Edizione [Course Book] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (289 p.) Collana Science Essentials;; 19 Disciplina 153.12 Soggetti Learning - Physiological aspects Learning, Psychology of Memory Thought and thinking SCIENCE / Physics / Astrophysics Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Preface -- Contents -- 1. What Is Memory? -- 2. Memories of the Here and Now -- 3. The Early Development of Memory -- 4. Ordinary Forgetting -- 5. Amnesia -- 6. False Memory -- 7. Emotional Learning and Memory -- 8, Language -- 9, Mechanisms of Memory -- 10. The Future of Memory -- Suggested Readings -- Notes -- Index Sommario/riassunto Memory is perhaps the most extraordinary phenomenon in the natural world. Every person's brain holds millions of bits of information in long-term storage. This vast memory store includes our extensive vocabulary and knowledge of language; the tremendous and unique variety of facts we've amassed; all the skills we've learned, from walking and talking to musical and athletic performance; many of the emotions we feel; and the continuous sensations, feelings, and understandings of the world we term consciousness. Without memory there can be no

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