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Hi Ashley,

Thank you for submitting your three definitions assignment on neuroplasticity. Below are some recommendations for improving the piece:

**First Impressions:**

This is a great start for the definitions. The entire document is neatly structured with headings and is easy to read. Well-done!

**Organization:**

The organization of the parenthetical, sentence, and expanded definitions are excellent. One small suggestion:

- Shifting the sections “How did the term “Neuroplasticity” originate?” and “How did the term “Neuroplasticity” develop?” to occur before “What is Neuroplasticity?” may be the preferable order of progression for readers.

**Clarity:**

The writing is clear with many supporting details. One suggestion:

- Using the full term “Neuroplasticity” instead of “It” at the start of a sentence may provide additional clarity after a particularly long sentence. This occurs in the second sentence in the “What is Neuroplasticity?” section.

**Conciseness:**

The definitions contain excellent examples. A couple recommendations:

- Condensing sentences to vary sentence length will keep the reader interested. An example can be found below:

Using,

“Strengthening the brain's connections happens through repeated experiences such as learning or practicing a skill.”.

In place of,

“Strengthening the brain’s nerve connections happens through undergoing new experiences, such as learning a new skill, practicing a skill, or any other stimulation to the brain.”.

- Arranging the list of examples in “What is Neuroplasticity?” into a point form structure will improve readability.

**Visual:**

The writing is exceptionally detailed and visualizing the many examples are easily done. One suggestion:

- Including a visual will markedly improve the clarity of the definitions.

**Conclusion:**

The definitions assignment is on a great start. In particular, the mechanism and examples are easily understood and relatable. Summarized below is the list of suggested edits:

- Reorganizing the “Origin”, “Development”, and “What is” sections of the expanded definitions.
- Using the full term “Neuroplasticity” instead of a pronoun in the “What is Neuroplasticity?” section.
- Varying sentence length to remain concise and keep readers interested.
- Arranging a list of examples in the section “What is Neuroplasticity?” into point form for readability.
- Adding a visual to improve definition clarity.

Feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

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