

Re: Gender in language

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* Nathan Sanders wrote:

Non-human animals do not use language, nor can they learn it. Newborn puppies raised by English-speakers do not learn English [...]

Thus, if we can learn X and animals cannot, then (our ability to learn) X must be "hard-wired".

Ok then, so is (our ability to learn) building airplanes?

The question is whether the language faculty is a separate faculty or just an application of our general ability to learn.

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There are two ways of constructing a software design. One way is to make it so simple that there are obviously no deficiencies. And the other way is to make it so complicated that there are no obvious deficiencies. The first method is far more difficult. — C. A. R. Hoare

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