

Lesson 6

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A Sixth Sense?

We learn about our environment using all five of our biological senses: touch, taste, smell, sight, and sound. But some people claim to possess a sixth sense. Those people seem to be aware of events that have occurred in the past, or will occur in the future, but without any logical way of knowing about those events. Those people are called clairvoyant. They claim to have extrasensory perception, often referred to as ESP, or the sixth sense.

Friends who are extremely close, husbands and wives, and some parents and children sometimes feel that they can read each other's minds. That may be the consequence of having keen intuition rather than ESP.

But sometimes, a stranger will claim the ability to use mental telepathy to read our thoughts. Some become intrigued by the phenomenon and try to discover if that person really has ESP, or is just perpetrating a well-choreographed scam.

Although most don't believe extrasensory perception exists, there have been reports of police departments using information given by a clairvoyant to solve crimes.

As of now, there is no scientific explanation for ESP. But some universities are conducting scientific investigations to try and unravel the mysteries surrounding this sixth sense.