

Questions on Face Perception

Look back over the lecture slides and, if you wish, consult chapter 10 of Snowden et al (2006) to answer the questions below.

1. Who carried out the research from which we know that new-borns prefer to look at moving faces than other moving stimuli?
2. Which studies have used gaze direction as a measure of theory of mind?
3. Find some documented cases of eye-witnesses being poor at remembering faces.
4. Find the original paper in which the “Thatcher illusion” was first described.
5. Explain the difference between a configural cue and a featural cue.
6. What experimental evidence is there that we are better at recognizing people from our own race than we are at recognizing people from other races?
7. Find a paper that provides evidence that children, when they are 1 year old use facial expressions to guide their behaviour.
8. What experimental work has been done on the facial identity after effect?