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| **LT4 Core Study Watson and Rayner (1920) (AO1)** |
| **AIM** | **PROCEDURE** | **FINDINGS** | **CONCLUSIONS** |
| To investigate whether phobias are learnt or innate. | * Watson and Rayner’s conducted a lab experiment on a baby known as Little Albert.
* They tested his fear for several items and the only stimulus that triggered a natural fear reaction was a hammer striking a steel bar.
* They offered the rat to Albert, as he reached out to stroke it Watson crept up behind him and brought a hammer crashing down on a steel bar!!
* This was repeated 7 times over the next 2 weeks.
 | * By the end of the seven trials, the rat on its own was enough to frighten Albert even though it had not done so before.
 | * Watson and Rayner concluded that Phobias are learnt like any other behaviour.
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