This activity describes a form of learning called operant conditioning—learning from the consequences that follow our actions.

**Classical Versus Operant Conditioning**
- What is the distinction between classical and operant conditioning?

**Reinforcement and Punishment**
- What effect does reinforcement have on behavior?
  - Give an example of positive reinforcement.
  - Give an example of negative reinforcement.
  - What effect does punishment have on behavior?
  - Give an example of punishment.

**Continuous Versus Partial Reinforcement**
- If a subject comes to expect a reward after every response, what will happen if the reinforcement stops?
Schedules of Reinforcement

- Define the following schedules of reinforcement and give an everyday example of each:
  
  - Fixed ratio
  
  - Fixed interval
  
  - Variable ratio

  - Variable interval

Simulated Experiment: Schedules of Reinforcement

- Which schedule of reinforcement is MOST resistant to extinction? Why do you think this is so?