

*The Department of Philosophy and Its Diversity
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“Knowing and Being Right”

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Knowing that something is true is more than just being right about it: after all, it's possible to be right about something by chance (and even a stopped clock is right twice a day). The difference between knowing and being right is a notoriously difficult question in epistemology; this talk will look at what we can learn about that question from developmental and comparative psychology. You might think that it's generally easier to tell whether someone is right than whether they know. Strangely enough, that isn't true, and the reasons for this tell us something about why we care about knowledge in the first place.

