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Neuroplasticity-Cultivating and Harvesting the Rewards

Resources: https://www.constanttherapy.com

<u>Limitless</u> book by Jim Kwik available wherever you get your reading material

- I. <u>Anatomy of the Brain for Learning</u>-see diagrams
 - a. Know your brain-different lobes of the brain and their significance
 - b. How injury to the pathways affect daily life-right brain vs. left brain

II. <u>10 Principles of neuroplasticity</u>

- a. Use it or lose it
- b. Use it and improve it
- c. Specificity
- d. Salience
- e. Transference
- f. Interference
- g. Time
- h. Age
- i. Repetition
- j. Intensity

III. Key Components to create new pathways

- a. Mindset-What is possible? What am I capable of? What do I believe I deserve?
- b. Motivation-Why do I set this goal? Connect to your purpose. What is your passion? All behavior is belief driven.

- c. Methods-What is the how? What are the techniques you can use? What Tiny Habit can you implement? Active engagement leads to retention of the skill.
- **The intersection of the components above lead to creating new neural pathways.
- ** Make it Easy, Lucrative (the payoff) and Fun-the ELF principal

Homework:

Pick a neural pathway goal-short or long term-write it down. i.e. get stronger core muscles; learn techniques for improving short term memory; reduce spasticity in leg muscles

Write about your Mindset, Motivation(s) and Method(s) for achieving this goal(s)