

Further, this inter-locking of incarnate experience and bodily movements has a definite structure. Both plants and animals live off an environment and reproduce themselves within it. But for a plant environment means the place where it happens to be, while for an animal environment means the range of places over which it can move. Again, ~~the vital activity of~~ the plant not merely lives off a fixed environment but does so in a set of routines that admit ~~little variation~~, only slow and gradual variation, while the animal not only moves about but also ~~lives off and with other animals. Hence while animals obtain~~ their supply of oxygen by the routine of respiration, which they carry on equally well whether ~~or~~ awake or asleep, still their characteristic action is quite different.

finds its sustenance in capturing, its safety in dodging, other animals. If these two aspects are joined, it appears that environment for a plant is basically an aggregate of things in a place, while environment for an animal ~~is~~ an aggregate of things moving over a range of places. Accordingly, while it is true that all animals breathe, while it is true that respiration is an activity in which an animal obtains its oxygen from the ~~atmosphere~~ environment, still it is not true that respiration is a characteristic activity of animals. It is an automatic, spontaneous, ~~unconscious~~ routine that is carried on equally well whether the animal is awake or asleep.

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