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## Video Gaming Has Cognitive Benefits

Video games may help some children with their cognitive abilities. The Journal of the American Medical Association, JAMA, recently published a study on video games and kids. "It found that kids who played video games for three or more hours a day did better on tasks associated with memory and impulse control than children who didn't play video games at all. The gamers also had higher levels of activity in parts of the brain associated with attention and working memory."

Just something to keep in mind when planning media time and gift ideas for kids.

<https://www.cnn.com/2022/10/24/health/kids-video-games-cognition-memory>

## Kudos To BLG



Seth Joyner 22 hours ago

These videos are probably the most helpful on YouTube for CP

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**BostonLawGroupLLC** 19 hours ago

Thanks so much for the kind words! MBB

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Then feel free to Google Boston Law Group, LLC and leave a review based on the information presented in our videos.

We strive to share as much information as possible with anyone who may be in search of educational information.

# Off The Press

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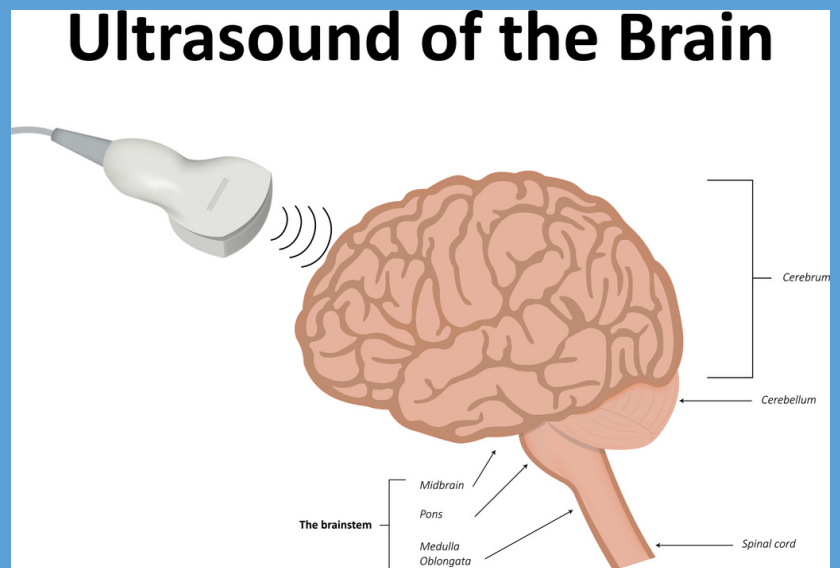
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Did your baby's traumatic brain injury (HIE) happen during pregnancy or at birth? This question stems from an issue we discussed in a previous educational article and supporting video regarding medical malpractice and a baby's traumatic brain injury. When doing a birth injury investigation for families as to the cause of their baby's brain injury, understanding when the injury occurred helps the family make better decisions as to whether to move forward legally on a birth injury claim.

## *Baby's Traumatic Brain Injury (HIE) Happen During Pregnancy Or At Birth (Labor & Delivery)?*

Timing a baby's brain injury is important because it goes to the element of causation, which is a hotly contested issue in baby brain injury cases. When investigating these cases, the use of a medical expert like a pediatric neuroradiologist can help with the timing of the injury. These medical experts are skilled in reading scans and imaging.

One of the simplest ways to understand this complex issue is to think about a hammer injury. If you hit your hand with a hammer, you may feel the pain, but the injury may not physically manifest itself immediately. With that said, after time has passed, the injury may physically manifest. For example, the hand may swell, or it might become discolored, all occurring after time has passed.



The same can be said of a baby's traumatic brain injury. When it is suspected at birth that a brain injury has occurred, ultrasound imaging may be done. If the initial scan is revealing serious brain damage, then a strong argument can be made that the injury occurred more than likely before labor and delivery. On the other hand, if during the initial imaging there is little to no injury present to the brain, but the subsequent imaging reveals a brain injury, then a strong argument can be made that the injury happened during labor and delivery, especially when the fetal heart strips also reveal fetal distress.

If you have more questions regarding did your baby's traumatic brain injury (HIE) happen during pregnancy or at birth, you can reach out to us at the contact information on page 4. It costs nothing to speak with me initially about your baby's story.

Be sure to visit our YouTube channel and like this video and subscribe for exclusive access to more educational information.

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### "DC Hat Lady" Passes Away At 103



photo from The Washingtonian 10/25

Vanilla Beane was born Vanilla Powell in Wilson, N.C. on September 13, 1919. She was the youngest of seven children. She moved to Washington, D.C. in 1942 where she met her husband, Willie Beane. She worked in the downtown Washington Millinery Supply and as a seamstress in the 1950s. That's where she sharpened her craft.

The Washington Millinery Supply eventually switched products and started selling bridal headpieces instead of hats, with the owner noting "low demand" as the cause. After leaving the company, Beane continued to passionately make hats while working as a mail clerk for the General Services Administration.

In 1979, she opened Bené Millinery & Bridal Supplies to serve the African American community that kept the tradition of ornate hats alive, especially in church. Beane's custom-made designs could cost up to \$500. Mrs. Beane died on October 23, 2022.

<https://www.wusa9.com/article/news/local/dc/vanilla-beane-dc-hat-lady-passes-away/65-b228afac-4d5d-46e1-a57e-e675f2bf8f19>

## ELECTION DAY

Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 8th or use early voting.  
Questions on the ballot here in Maryland.

Question 1 is a Constitutional Amendment to change the name of the Court of Appeals and Court of Special Appeals. Voting "yes" will change the names to the Supreme Court of Maryland and the Appellate Court of Maryland.

Question 3 is a constitutional amendment seeking to raise the jury trial right threshold in civil cases from \$15,000 to \$25,000. This means that cases below the threshold will be heard and decided by a judge. This helps the plaintiff get their day in court faster as their cases will not be lumped into high dollar, multiple litigant, complex litigation or felony criminal matters awaiting jury trials.



# Sweet Potato Cake



## Ingredients

- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger
- 16 tablespoons (2 sticks) unsalted butter, room temperature
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 3 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 1/2 cups mashed cooked sweet potatoes, cooled (about 4-5 sweet potatoes)
- 1 cup whole buttermilk

\*omit cinnamon and ginger for a non-spiced version

## Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Butter and flour two 9-inch round cake pans. Line bottoms with baking parchment and butter the top of those too.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, and ginger. Set aside.
3. In the bowl of a mixer, beat together butter and sugar on medium-high for 4-5 minutes until creamy, stopping to scrape down bowl at least twice. Gradually add beaten eggs. Beat on medium-high for 1-2 minutes until fluffy, scraping down bowl as needed. Add vanilla and sweet potatoes and beat until smooth, scraping down bowl as needed (scraping down the bowl is important stuff, y'all).
4. Add the dry ingredients into the butter mixture in thirds, alternating with buttermilk. Beat on low speed until just incorporated, scraping down bowl as needed.
5. Divide batter evenly between pans. Bake at 350-degrees F for 35-45 minutes, or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Allow to cool in pans for 10 minutes, then invert onto cooling rack to cool completely.

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