

Chaining

Name: _____

Learning Activities - Identify Concepts from Animal Acts

Read about the Vending Chicken and watch the video clip in which a chicken responds to the sound of a coin by pulling a chain to turn on a "Thank You" light and then pecks a lever to release a postcard. Then identify the following concepts from the video clip:

1. How would you describe the sequence of operant behaviors displayed by the chicken?
2. What is the discriminative stimulus that sets the sequence of behaviors in motion?
3. Describe the first steps in training the chicken if forward chaining was used.
4. Describe the first steps in training the chicken if backward chaining was used.