

# **The Definitive "Are Beavers Born With The Innate Disposition To Build Dams, Or Do They Learn It From Older Beavers?" Thread**

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Yep, it seems likely that flowing water triggers the immediate action. By why is the reaction "build a dam" rather than "run away" like most other animals would do when "triggered" by something with which it is not familiar? It seems to me the deeper we look the more certain it is going to be that a significant amount of this is "instinct." Would a baby spider separated from its kind never build a web? I would think it would -- maybe not as good a web, but still a web.