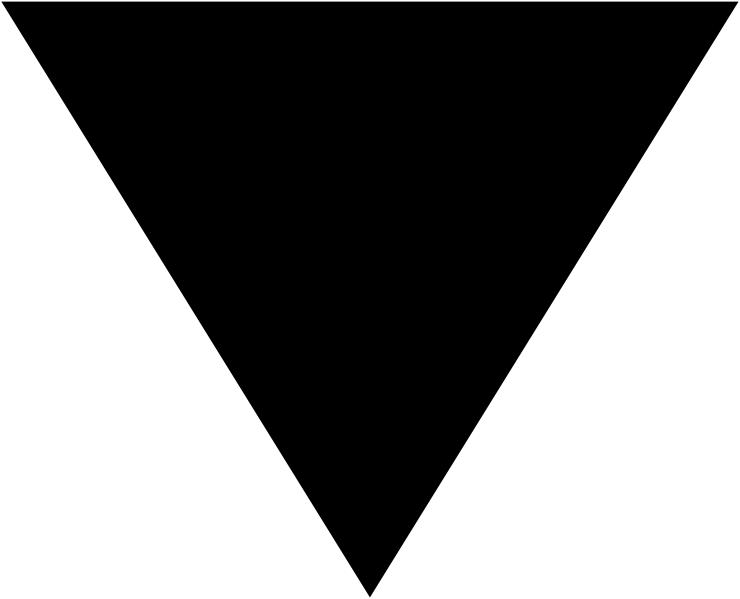
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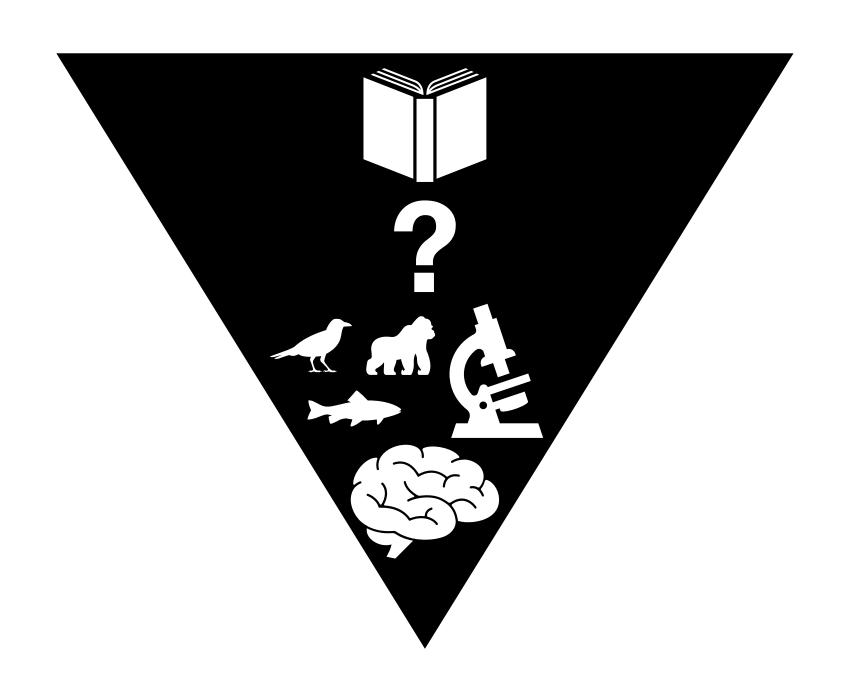
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- Why does this topic matter?
- What is already known about this topic?
- Summarize previous research at a 'high' level, don't get bogged down in unnecessary details
- (Not a full "literature review" only include what matters) for understanding your study objective and value
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