Introduction to Systems Thinking

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Take a moment to think about what you learned in this lesson.

- The BOT diagram is a second tool that systems thinkers use to move past events. These diagrams can help build causal theories.
- Within the boundaries of a system are time and spatial limitations as well as key variables, which can include people.
- When defining a system's patterns of events and behaviors, look for repeating events.
- Interconnections, or interrelationships, in a system are central to understanding how things fit together.
- Kim (2018) states that "an iterative process of going back and forth between theory-building and data analysis [allows a systems thinker to] build a better understanding of what is happening."

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Now move on to the lesson quiz.



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