Little kid brains vs. college smarts

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Guess what happened when some researchers gave an unusual gadget to both preschoolers and college students and asked them to figure out how it worked.

Most parents already know the answer. Yep. The preschoolers took the college students to school.

In short, the 4- and 5-year-old kids were more flexible, more willing to consider unlikely possibilities to make an seemingly unpredictable machine work, according to Alison Gopnik, UC Berkeley developmental psychologist and senior author of the paper released Thursday and published online in the journal, "Cognition."

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