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- The way we think, feel or learn, shapes our brain
- I can change through the choices I make.

Talk it Over:

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