

Table I. Categories of supernatural concepts

Ontological categories	Intuitive-knowledge-domain violations		
	Psychology	Biology	Physics
Person	A person who knows everything	A person requiring no food to live	A person who is invisible
Animal	A snail that uses language	A dog that is immortal	A bear that can be in two places at once
Plant	A flower that listens to people's requests	A shrub composed of metal	A tree that is weightless
Artifact	A hammer that feels neglected	A shoe that sprouts roots	A car that can drip through a sieve
Natural, non-living	An icicle that enjoys music	A diamond that was born	A rock that passes through solid objects

Categories of supernatural concepts. From Barrett ("Natural Foundations," 31), following Boyer ("Evolution of the Modern Mind").