

Developmental Principles

Unit 1

1. Development is similar for every child
2. Development builds on early learning
3. Proceeds at an individual rate
4. Development is interrelated
5. You develop all throughout your entire life.

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6-12 months Reflexes

6 to 9 months• rolls both ways• sits without support; stands with assistance• picks up toys with thumb and side of forefinger• moves between sitting and lying down• crawls, creeps or shuffles on bottom9 to 12 months• pulls up into an unsteady stand a month or two before first step• points with index finger

Developmental Tasks

Milestones Milestones

Smile. Early on, it will be just to herself. But within three months, she'll be smiling in response to your smiles and trying to get you to smile back at her.
 Raise her head and chest when on her tummy.
 Track objects with her eyes and gradually decrease eye crossing.
 Open and shut her hands and bring hands to her mouth.
 Grip objects in her hands.
 Take swipes at or reach for dangling objects, though she usually won't be able to get them yet.

Parts of the Brain 2

The Cerebellum Limbic System

Parts of the Brain 2 (cont)

his structure is associated with regulation and coordination of movement, posture, and balance. The limbic system, often referred to as the "emotional brain", is found buried within the cerebrum. Like the cerebellum, evolutionarily the structure is rather old.

Thalamus- The structure has sensory and motor functions
 Amygdala- involved in memory, emotion, and fear.
 Hypothalamus- functions including homeostasis, emotion, thirst, hunger, circadian rhythms, and control of the autonomic nervous system.
 Hippocampus- learning and memory . . . for converting short term memory to more permanent memory

Parts of the Brain 1

The Cerebrum- with higher brain function such as thought and action.
 Frontal Lobe- associated with reasoning, planning, parts of speech, movement, emotions, and problem solving
 Parietal Lobe- associated with movement, orientation, recognition, perception of stimuli.
 Occipital Lobe- associated with visual processing
 Temporal Lobe- associated with perception and recognition of auditory stimuli, memory, and speech

Types of Observation

Running: A detailed narrative account of behavior recorded in a sequential manner as it happens.

Understanding Infants

Reflex	Stimulation	Response	Duration
Babinski	Stroke of foot outward	Fan out toes and flex foot in	Disappears at nine months to a year
Blinking	Flash of light or puff of air	Close eyes	Persistent
Grasping	Palm touched	Grasp tightly	Weakens at three months
Moro	Shoulder move; head noise	Startles; throws out arms and legs and then pulls them toward body	Disappears at three months
Rooting	Chest stroked or side of mouth touched	Turns toward source, opens mouth and sucks	Disappears at three to four months
Stepping	Infant held upright with feet touching ground	Moves feet as if to walk	Disappears at three to four months
Startle	Mouth touched by object	Shake on object	Disappears at three to four months
Swimming	Placed face down in water	Makes coordinated swimming movements	Disappears at six to seven months
Tonic neck	Placed on back	Hold face and turn head to the right	Disappears at two months

Head to foot. Long before birth, the baby's head takes the lead in development. A newborn's head is still large in proportion to the body. The same head-to-toe pattern continues after birth. Near to far. Development starts at the trunk of the body and moves outward. First, babies simply wave their arms when they see an object they want. Simple to Complex. At first, babies' main activities are sleeping and eating. Gradually, they learn more complicated tasks

Theorsts 1

Erik Erikson Montessori Jean Piaget
 Trust vs. Mistrust Children thrive on order and structure to 1 Sensorimotor (0-2 yrs) they exist separately from the objects and people around them

Autonomy Vs. Shame Children move through sensitive periods Preoperational (2-7 yrs) Once children acquire language, they are able to use symbols

Theorsts 1 (cont)

Initiative vs. Guilt. Age: 3-5
 Children need freedom
 Concrete Operational (7-11 yrs) children are able to see things from different points of view and to imagine events that occur outside their own lives.

Industry Vs Inferiority. Age: 5 -12
 Children absorb their culture
 Formal Operational (11+ yrs) round the onset of puberty, children are able to reason in much more abstract ways and to test hypotheses

Ego Identity VS Role Confusion. Age: 12-18
 Little Teachers: Listening better to older children

Anecdotal records: A brief narrative account describing an incident of a child's behavior that is of interest to the observer.

Frequency: counts are a record of the number of times a specific behavior occurs within a specific time period.



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Theorsts 1 (cont)			Reflexes (cont)			Theorsts 2 (cont)			Theorsts 2 (cont)		
Generativity Vs. Stagnation Care. Age: 40 - 65	Children are natural learners		Swimming	Placed face down in water	Makes coordinated swimming movements	Negative Reinforcement: Remove stimuli following correct behavior. Taking away a sticker from the child if they are bad	Development: can not be separated from it's social context	Safety needs: Needs where a human needs to feel safe	Self-actualization		
Ego Integrity Vs Despair 65+			Tonic Neck	Placed on back	Makes fists and turns head to the right	Positive Punishment: Add noxious stimuli following behaviour. Spanking a child for cursing	Learning can lead development	Love and belonging	When/Then – Abuse It/Lose It Principle – “When you have finished your homework, then you may watch TV.” Incompatible Alternative Principle – Give the child something to do that he can't do while misbehaving. Choice Principle – Give the child two choices, both of which are positive and acceptable to you. Make a Big Deal Principle Make a big deal over responsible, considerate, appropriate behavior with attention, Talk About Them Positively to Others, Modeling Principle		
Reflexes			Understanding Infants 2			Negative Punishment: Remove appetative stimulus following behaviour. Telling the child to go to his room for cursing			Esteem		
Babinski	Stimulation: Sole of foot stroked	Fans out toes and twists foot in	Milestones in the First Year								
Blinking	Flash of light or puff of air	Closes eyes	1 to 3 months• prefers looking at high areas of faces: forehead, eyes, mouth visually follows a bright object when it is moved slowly. hands open out from fists. 2 to 4 months• when placed on tummy, baby can lift head and shoulders• can briefly hold a toy when you place it in his palms• brings hands into eye range. 4 to 6 months• begins to roll from tummy to back• reaches for objects• brings toys to mouth to explore them								
Grasping	Palms Touched	Grasps Tightly	Theorsts 2			B.F Skinner			Lev Vygotsky		
Moro	Sudden move; Loud noise	Startles; throws out arms and legs and then pulls them toward body	Positive Reinforcement: Add appetative stimulus following correct behavior(- Giving a treat)			Children construct their knowledge			Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs		
Rooting	Cheek stroked or side of mouth touched	Turns toward source, opens mouth and sucks				Physio-logical needs: Body needs					
Stepping	Infant held upright with feet touching ground	Moves feet as if to walk									
Sucking	Mouth touched by object	Sucks on object									

