



Developmental Review Questions

- Prenatal exposure to _____ such as alcohol or nicotine has negative effects on development.
 - habituation
 - zygotes
 - teratogens
 - placenta
 - androgens
- 4-year old Marcus is shown 2 identical glasses of liquid. When liquid from one glass is poured into a tall, thin glass, he thinks this glass now contains more liquid, suggesting Marcus is in this stage:
 - formal operational
 - concrete operational
 - pre-conventional
 - sensorimotor
 - pre-operational
- This researcher proposed a 3-stage theory of the development of moral reasoning in children.
 - Jean Piaget
 - Lev Vygotsky
 - Diana Baumrind
 - Lawrence Kohlberg
 - Mary Ainsworth
- 6 month-old Sam is repeatedly shown a stimulus on a screen. First he stares at the image, but after many repetitions he loses interest and looks away, as this process has occurred:
 - imprinting
 - habituation
 - synaptic pruning
 - scaffolding
 - infantile amnesia
- 2 year-old Xiao Ling calls a kitten she sees a "puppy". Her mom corrects her and she has to _____ her schema.
 - prune
 - assimilate
 - conserve
 - imprint
 - accommodate
- Erikson proposed that the main psychosocial task of adolescence was:
 - industry vs. inferiority
 - initiative vs. guilt
 - ego integrity vs. despair
 - identity vs. role confusion
 - generativity vs. stagnation
- Touching a newborn's cheek will cause the baby to turn its head to that side, demonstrating:
 - the rooting reflex
 - the sucking reflex
 - the grasp reflex
 - the Babinski response
 - the stepping reflex
- 9 month-old Nate learned to reach for a toy repeatedly hidden in a box to his right. He watches the toy placed in the box on his left, but still reaches for the box on the right, suggesting a lack of:
 - egocentrism
 - conservation
 - theory of mind
 - moral reasoning
 - object permanence
- In a "strange situation" task, 1-year-old Alice becomes upset when her mom leaves the room, and then is calmed upon her mom's return, suggesting this type of attachment:
 - insecure
 - disorganized
 - avoidant
 - permissive
 - secure
- Lisa's mom tells her that she needs a firm curfew Friday night and they have a discussion about times that would be reasonable. Baumrind would likely classify Lisa's mom's parenting style as:
 - authoritative
 - permissive
 - neglectful
 - authoritarian
 - pretty chill



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1. C - teratogens

A teratogen, from Latin for "monster-maker" is any substance that harms the development of a fetus.

2. E - pre-operational

Marcus is likely in Piaget's pre-operational stage, as he doesn't yet have a full understanding of the operations of the physical world, such as matter being conserved.

3. D - Lawrence Kohlberg

Lawrence Kohlberg proposed a 3 level (6 stage) theory of moral development with pre-conventional focused on punishments & rewards, conventional focused on societal norms & rules, and post-conventional focused on values & ethical principles.

4. B - habituation

Habituation refers to reduced responsiveness to a stimulus after repeated exposure and can be used to investigate perception and cognition in young infants.

5. E - accommodate

Piaget proposed that when exposed to new information we need to either incorporate this into an existing schema (assimilation) or modify and/or create new schema (accommodation). In this case, Xiao Ling must create a new schema for the category "kitten" that is distinct from her existing schema for "puppy".

6. D - identity vs. role confusion

Erikson proposed that the main task of adolescence was developing a sense of identity and understanding of who we are and how we fit in with the world and our peers, or else we experience role confusion.

7. A - rooting reflex

The rooting reflex refers to an infant involuntarily turning its head in the direction of a cheek or corner of the mouth that is touched and aids in feeding. This reflex is present at birth and usually fades by around 4-6 months.

8. E - object permanence

This is a description of the A-not-B error. Infants under about 12 months old will reach where something was previously found rather than where it was placed, suggesting their schema for object permanence is not fully developed.

9. E - secure

A child being upset but then comforted in Ainsworth's strange situation task suggests a secure attachment, in which the child can use the mother as a secure base while exploring the environment.

10. A - authoritative

This interaction suggests an authoritative parenting style, in which rules are set and enforced, but the child is given a voice and encouraged to express views and opinions.