

Why is learning about the Lifespan Development important?

For each chapter, you will tell me why learning about the chapter is important.

- (1) Pick a specific psychological concept.
- (2) Describe and/or define the psychological concept
- (3) Describe an example of that psychological concept. You cannot use an example from class or the textbook.
- (4) Why is learning about Lifespan Development important? What is the change in thinking or behavior?

Based on your example, do one of the following for part (4):

- a. Describe how learning about this psychological concept changes how you think about yourself.
- b. Describe how learning about this psychological concept changes how you think about others.
- c. Describe how learning about this psychological concept changes how you think about the world around you.
- d. Describe how learning about this psychological concept can be used in your personal life.
- e. Describe how learning about this psychological concept can be used in your potential career.
- f. Describe how learning about this psychological concept can avoid an important misunderstanding
- g. Describe how learning about this psychological concept can be used to address a social issue or public policy.

Constraints:

- Work in groups of one (by yourself), two (one partner) or three (two partners). One page per group with all your names on it.
- You can answer a question more than once as long as your examples are qualitatively different.

Grading:

- Each set of response (items 1-4 in the box) is worth up to two points to a maximum of six points. Therefore, you must answer at least 3 to earn a maximum of 6.

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- You may choose to provide more than 3 examples to earn 6 points through partial credit.
- I do not have a formal due date for these. However, you should
 - Do at least one before the exam.
 - Do NOT wait until week 9 or 10 to start. All work is due Friday at noon of week 10.

Bad	Learning about Human Development helps me raise a healthy child
	Learning about <u>teratogens</u> helps me raise a healthy child
	Learning about teratogens—external agents that can cause abnormal development, like alcohol, drugs, or environmental toxins helps me raise a healthy child and avoid such problems
Better	<p>Learning about teratogens helps me raise a healthy child by having the mother avoid possible exposure to toxins (household cleaners), radiation, alcohol, heavy metals or illnesses. Exposure to these could have different effects that are harmful such as neurological problems (heavy metals like lead or mercury), or brain abnormalities (such as alcohol)</p> <p>Likewise would want to try to make sure the mother is healthy because diseases or other medicines could possibly interfere with the development of the child during pregnancy. I would volunteer to do the yard work, house work to avoid inadvertent exposures to cleaners or chemicals.</p>