

Child

Development

- Human development or child development follows 3 principles

Principles

1. Development is sequential

Children almost all develop in the same order. They need to sit before they can stand. So the tasks they master will lead them on to new tasks of greater complexity.

Sequential



2. Development is individual

Rates of development vary depending on each child's schedule. This is dependent on a variety of factors

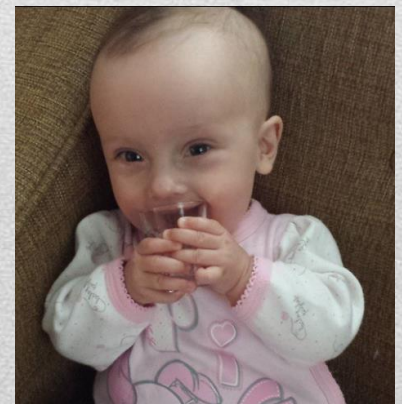
Individual



3. Development is interrelated

- Many of the skills a baby masters require that the baby be developed in a variety of areas to accomplish a task such as feeding themselves they must have the large and fine motor skills, teeth, ability to swallow, hand eye coordination and so on.

Interrelated



- Development is often broken into Physical, Social, Emotional and Intellectual
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- Is the increasing ability to control and coordinate body movements

Physical



- Is learning to relate to other people



Social

- Is the process of learning to recognize and express feelings
- Also referred to as affective development



Emotional

- Is the process of learning how to think, remember, understand, reason and use language – this is often referred to as cognitive development

Intellectual



- Parents are the primary socializers of their children and have a tremendous amount of influence on their child's development
- Socialization is the process of teaching our children to be successful in life – social mores and expectations for getting along – what to do and what not to do

Parents Impact

- Understanding child development is key to being able to effectively influence development in a positive manner

Understanding Child development
