

Download Child Development From Infancy To Adolescence An Active Learning Approach

Developmental psychology is the scientific study of how and why human beings change over the course of their life. Originally concerned with infants and children, the field has expanded to include adolescence, adult development, aging, and the entire lifespan. Developmental psychologists aim to explain how thinking, feeling, and behaviors change throughout life. Overview of Child Development Child Development Definition: Change in the child that occurs over time. Changes follow an orderly pattern that moves toward greater complexity and enhances survival. INTRODUCTION. Play is so important to optimal child development that it has been recognized by the United Nations High Commission for Human Rights as a right of every child. 1 This birthright is challenged by forces including child labor and exploitation practices, war and neighborhood violence, and the limited resources available to children living in poverty. Adolescence (from Latin *adolescere*, meaning 'to grow up') is a transitional stage of physical and psychological development that generally occurs during the period from puberty to legal adulthood (age of majority). Adolescence is usually associated with the teenage years, but its physical, psychological or cultural expressions may begin earlier and end later.