

Test Bank for Lifespan Development 8th Boyd

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CHAPTER 2: THEORIES OF DEVELOPMENT

Multiple Choice Questions

TB_02_01_Psychoanalytic Theories

Which family of theories relies on the understanding of internal drives and emotions to answer the “whys” of human development?

- A) Psychoanalytic
- B) Humanistic
- C) Biological
- D) Cognitive

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Psychoanalytic Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud’s psychosexual theory

TB_02_02_Psychoanalytic Theories

Psychoanalytic theorists argue that human development depends on

- A) our ability to accommodate external stimuli.
- B) our ability to modify our behavior based on the prospect of rewards or punishment.
- C) the influence of internal drives and emotions upon behavior.
- D) social relationships.

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Psychoanalytic Theories

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud’s psychosexual theory

TB_02_03_Freud’s Psychosexual Theory

Freud arrived at his developmental theories through his work with which of the following groups?

- A) His own children
- B) Children who were orphaned
- C) Male adult patients who had suffered traumatic events
- D) Adults who were suffering from serious mental disorders

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud’s Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud’s psychosexual theory

TB_02_04_Freud’s Psychosexual Theory

Which of the following describes Freud’s view of the components of an individual’s personality?

- A) Formal operations
- B) Id, ego, and identity
- C) Consciousness, preconsciousness, and reality
- D) Id, ego, superego

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Freud’s Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud’s psychosexual theory

TB_02_05_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

According to the psychoanalytic perspective, which aspect of our personality demands to be satisfied in physically pleasurable ways?

- A) Executive control of the ego
- B) Moral guardian of the superego
- C) Libido of the id
- D) Reality principle of the superego

Answer: C

Level: Easy

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_06_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Jada saw some money lying unattended on a store counter. She really wanted to take it but her conscience kept her from doing so. Which part of Jada's personality is telling her that it would be socially unacceptable to take the money?

- A) Superego
- B) Ego
- C) Unconscious
- D) Id

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_07_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

According to Freud's psychosexual theory, which of the following illustrates the functioning of the id?

- A) "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you"
- B) Restraining your desire to have a hot fudge sundae
- C) Stealing a pair of earbuds because you want them
- D) Planning a sexual interlude with your dating partner

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_08_No Easy Answers—The Repressed Memory Controversy

Which of the following is a correct statement regarding repressed memories?

- A) Adults who were abused as children never recall the abuse.
- B) The best way to reveal repressed memories is for a therapist to actively suggest that such memories exist.
- C) It is highly unlikely that false memories will be retrieved because of the fundamental inaccuracy of human memory.
- D) The perpetrators of abuse are more likely to forget the incidents than are the victims.

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: No Easy Answers—The Repressed Memory Controversy

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_09_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

According to Freud's theory of psychosexual development, which of the following occurs when an inadequate early environment fails to meet the needs of any particular stage of psychosexual maturation?

- A) Defense mechanisms
- B) Libido failure
- C) Fixation
- D) Extinction

Answer: C

Level: Easy

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_10_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Freud is to psychosexual as Erikson is to

- A) reinforcement.
- B) psychosocial.
- C) dilemma resolution.
- D) psychosensual.

Answer: B

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_11_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Erikson's developmental theory is called "psychosocial" because it involves the interaction of _____ and _____.

- A) internal drives; environmental consequences
- B) internal drives; unregulated emotions
- C) internal drives; cultural demands
- D) internal drives; social instincts

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_12_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Elsa was frequently neglected as a child. As an infant, she would be left in wet diapers, and she was not fed on a regular schedule. According to Erikson's psychosocial theory, which of the following crises was not properly resolved?

- A) Industry vs. inferiority
- B) Autonomy vs. shame and doubt
- C) Trust vs. mistrust
- D) Initiative vs. guilt

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_13_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Which factor is generally considered to be an essential aspect of an infant's first psychosocial task?

- A) Learning to control bodily sensations or developing shame if unsuccessful
- B) Becoming aware of pleasurable genital sensations and sharing these sensations with others
- C) Becoming purposeful, goal-oriented, and assertive, which leads to conflicts with parents
- D) Learning to trust a primary caregiver and one's own ability to make things happen

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_14_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

According to Erikson, what is the central issue of adolescence?

- A) To develop a sense of autonomy, or become ashamed of one's inability to be independent of parents
- B) To develop initiative and become purposeful and goal-oriented, or to feel guilty about the inability to focus and achieve
- C) To form intimate relationships, or to risk isolation and rejection
- D) To examine one's identity and possible roles, or risk confusion about the future

Answer: D

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_15_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Erikson's dilemma of intimacy vs. isolation is associated with which developmental age?

- A) Birth to one year
- B) 2 to 3 years
- C) 18 to 30 years
- D) 30 years to late adulthood

Answer: C

Level: Easy

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_16_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

According to Erikson's psychosocial theory of development, which of the following defines generativity?

- A) A sense of wanting to give back to society and future generations
- B) A sense of needing to make up for one's shortcomings
- C) The need to resolve a midlife crisis
- D) The need to establish intimate relationships

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_17_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Carolyn is thinking of her children and what they are to become. She wants to see her children succeed and raise healthy families of their own. Carolyn spends more and more time thinking about how best to help her children become good people who contribute to society. Which of Erikson's psychosocial stages is Carolyn most likely experiencing?

- A) Identity vs. role confusion
- B) Integrity vs. despair
- C) Intimacy vs. isolation
- D) Generativity vs. stagnation

Answer: D

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_18_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

A self-absorbed, nongenerative adult who is not concerned with establishing and guiding a new generation will be at risk for which of the following?

- A) Isolation
- B) Stagnation
- C) Inferiority
- D) Mistrust

Answer: B

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_19_Evaluation of Psychoanalytic Theories

Which of the following is the major weakness of psychoanalytic theories?

- A) They contribute more to our understanding of how learning occurs than to our knowledge of human development.
- B) Such theories do not explain social, emotional, or personality development.
- C) They have had little impact on laypeople's understanding of psychology.
- D) It has been very difficult to test their key concepts.

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Evaluation of Psychoanalytic Theories

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.3: Assess the strengths and weakness of psychoanalytic theory

TB_02_20_Learning Theories

Watson believed that children could be trained to be or do anything through

- A) manipulation of the environment.
- B) sensory deprivation.
- C) a focus on meeting early basic needs.
- D) biological conditioning.

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Learning Theories

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_21_Classical Conditioning

During classical conditioning, if the sour taste of lemon juice automatically causes your mouth to pucker, the lemon juice is the _____ and the pucker of lips and tongue is the _____.

- A) conditional stimulus; conditioned response
- B) punishment; conditioned response
- C) unconditioned stimulus; unconditioned response
- D) conditional stimulus; unconditioned response

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_22_Classical Conditioning

If you are training a child to produce a reflexive response following a nonreflexive stimulus, which method of learning are you employing?

- A) Observational learning
- B) Classical conditioning
- C) Response-reward learning
- D) Operant conditioning

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_23_Classical Conditioning

Classical conditioning plays an important role in which of the following?

- A) Intrinsic and extrinsic reinforcements for learning
- B) The development of social skills such as courtesy and patience
- C) The development of emotional responses such as anxiety or embarrassment
- D) Differentiated and effective strategies for problem-solving and negotiating a complex environment

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_24_Classical Conditioning

Which psychologist studied "Little Albert?"

- A) Ivan Pavlov
- B) John Watson
- C) B. F. Skinner
- D) Edwin Guthrie

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_25_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Who introduced the term "operant conditioning?"

- A) Albert Bandura
- B) B. F. Skinner
- C) Sigmund Freud
- D) Erik Erikson

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_26_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Behavior is more likely to reoccur if

- A) there is intrinsic reinforcement.
- B) it has been reinforced.
- C) it is extinct.
- D) it has been punished.

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_27_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

A boy is pestering his mother for candy in the grocery store, whining for 10 minutes. His mother ignores him for 10 minutes, but finally gives in and says, "Oh, all right. Here it is. Just stop whining!" If the boy engages in more whining in the future, and the mother gives in even more easily, which of the following principles would apply to the mother?

- A) Negative punishment
- B) Positive punishment
- C) Negative reinforcement
- D) Positive reinforcement

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_28_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Miguel is expected to clean his room and to empty all the trash in the house. When Miguel forgets his chores, he is grounded. Which of the following principles has been appropriately applied if Miguel remembers to do his chores?

- A) Punishment
- B) Negative reinforcement
- C) Positive reinforcement
- D) Extinction

Answer: A

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_29_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Which of the following is an example of extinction?

- A) You change to a different slot machine because the one that you've been playing doesn't pay very often.
- B) You stop buying lottery tickets until the jackpot is greater than \$10 million.
- C) You stop buying lottery tickets after spending several hundred dollars and never winning.
- D) You purchase mega-bucks tickets instead of regular lottery tickets because the odds of winning are greater.

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_30_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Which of the following results in behaviors that are difficult to extinguish?

- A) Negative reinforcement
- B) The application of conditioned stimuli
- C) Continuous reinforcement schedules
- D) Partial reinforcement schedules

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_31_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Which of the following is a common mistake parents make when trying to stop unwanted behaviors?

- A) They forget to use continuous schedules of reinforcement.
- B) They create schedules of partial reinforcement when they think they are punishing.
- C) They use reinforcement of desired behaviors, when they should be using punishment of undesired behaviors.
- D) They don't use punishment often enough.

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_32_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Which of the following theorists is primarily responsible for developing social-cognitive learning theory?

- A) Albert Bandura
- B) Ivan Pavlov
- C) B. F. Skinner
- D) Louis Morehouse

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_33_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Which statement summarizes social-cognitive learning theory?

- A) Children learn best through observation as long as they are consistently rewarded for the same behaviors.
- B) Children respond best to frequent reinforcement and praise.
- C) Rewards and punishments are not always necessary, as children learn through observing siblings' interactions with their parents.
- D) Punishment is preferred over reinforcement as a means of teaching new behaviors.

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_34_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

According to social-cognitive theory, which of the following terms describes the expectancies we acquire about what we can and cannot do?

- A) Self-monitoring
- B) Self-evaluation
- C) Self-efficacy
- D) Self-evidence

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_35_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Niko plans to go to a good college. He seems unconcerned about competitive admissions policies because he believes that if he studies hard, he can get in wherever he wants. Social-cognitive theorists would consider this an example of

- A) a self-fulfilling prophecy.
- B) delayed gratification.
- C) a positive self-image.
- D) self-efficacy.

Answer: D

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_36_Evaluation of Learning Theories

Which of these scenarios illustrates the principles of social-cognitive theory?

- A) Zhenya misses her curfew by one hour and is grounded by her parents for one week, yet she continues to miss curfew.
- B) When Marla responds angrily to a request from her daughter Sandi, Sandi's sister Amber, who observed this response, decides she will wait a day or two before asking for a new stereo.
- C) Jillian seeks advice from a chat forum on the Internet about her recurring headaches.
- D) As a result of the role conflict between her parental responsibilities and her need for personal development, Alina decides to drop out of college for a semester.

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Evaluation of Learning Theories

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.4: Contrast how the learning theories explain human development

TB_02_37_Evaluation of Learning Theories

Which of the following would be considered a strength of social-cognitive theory?

- A) It seems to give an accurate picture of the way in which many behaviors are learned.
- B) It works well when trying to modify undesirable behaviors.
- C) It explains unconscious, involuntary emotional responses.
- D) It defines specific stages most humans pass through as they grow and develop.

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Evaluation of Learning Theories

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.4: Contrast how the learning theories explain human development

TB_02_38_Cognitive Theories

Which of the following family of theories is concerned with the developmental aspects of thinking, memory, and logic?

- A) Cognitive
- B) Social
- C) Psychodynamic
- D) Behavioral

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Cognitive Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_39_Cognitive Theories

Babies frequently engage in repetitive actions using their hands and their eyes. Which of the following statements explains this behavior?

- A) Children are born with a mind that is a blank slate waiting to be written upon.
- B) Infants' brains are underdeveloped at birth and there is no purpose or meaning to their actions.
- C) Infants rely on their motor skills and senses to explore and learn about the world.
- D) Infants want to avoid punishment from caregivers.

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Cognitive Theories

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_40_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

According to the principles of Piaget's theory of cognitive development, how you act at a party depends upon which of the following to guide and direct your behavior?

- A) Scheme
- B) Memory
- C) Reinforcement
- D) Sensorimotor skills

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_41_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Which of the following defines the term "scheme" according to Piaget?

- A) A child's mischievous plan to outwit her parents.
- B) The process of taking in new information and revising existing categories in order to effectively deal with similar information in the future.
- C) The meaning a child ascribes to an experience.
- D) A cognitive structure that guides behaviors and actions.

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_42_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Two-year-old Marjoe pointed to a cow in a pasture and said "Doggie!" Which Piagetian principle is Marjoe using to name the animal?

- A) Memorization
- B) Assimilation
- C) Preoperational thought
- D) Accommodation

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_43_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

According to Piaget's theory of cognitive development, which of the following applies to the process of assimilation?

- A) Changing a scheme as a result of acquiring new information
- B) Being shaped by the environment
- C) Using an internal model of experience
- D) Using an existing scheme to make sense of an event or experience

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_44_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Three-year-old Tran used to call all flying objects such as airplanes and slowly falling leaves "birds." Now he correctly labels airplanes, butterflies, birds, and bees. Which Piagetian process has Tran accomplished?

- A) Assimilation
- B) Concrete operations
- C) Accommodation
- D) Proximal development

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_45_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Which of the following describes the process of accommodation?

- A) The use of multiple strategies to address new problems.
- B) Changing an existing scheme as a result of new information or experiences.
- C) Using symbols to represent events from the real world.
- D) Understanding the world in terms of one's senses and motor actions.

Answer: B

Level: Moderate

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_46_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Piaget believed that children use both assimilation and accommodation to create schemes that fit the reality of their environments. Which of the following terms did he use to describe this process?

- A) Accommodation
- B) Scaffolding
- C) Calibration
- D) Equilibration

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_47_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

The first stage in Piaget's theory of cognitive development is called

- A) sensorimotor.
- B) preoperations.
- C) equilibration.
- D) formal operations.

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_48_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

During which stage of cognitive development does a child first acquire symbols to think and communicate?

- A) Sensorimotor
- B) Preoperational
- C) Formal operations
- D) Concrete operations

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_49_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Which of the following illustrates the term "conservation" according to Piaget's theory of cognitive development?

- A) The child learns the importance of recycling.
- B) The child learns to use the minimal number of words necessary to communicate an idea.
- C) The child learns the importance of treating the environment with respect by keeping it clean and uncluttered.
- D) The child learns that when an object changes shape, its quantity remains the same.

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_50_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Two-year-old Sven can use crayons and paper to draw pictures. According to Piaget's cognitive-developmental theory, why is Sven drawing pictures?

- A) He is presenting an outward representation of his internal thoughts.
- B) At this age, the drawings mean nothing; Sven is simply improving his motor skills.
- C) Sven is in the early stages of learning to write.
- D) He is presenting an outward manifestation of others' thoughts.

Answer: A

Level: Difficult

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_51_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

During which of Piaget's stages does the child learn to manipulate ideas, concrete objects, or events, as well as to use abstract ideas and hypothetical situations in solving problems?

- A) Zone of proximal development
- B) Concrete operational
- C) Information processing
- D) Formal operational

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_52_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Which of the following theorists is known for the development of sociocultural theory?

- A) Jean Piaget
- B) Lev Vygotsky
- C) Albert Bandura
- D) Ivan Pavlov

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_53_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Four-year-old Elena can untie her shoes, but she needs her mother's help to tie them. She also needs her mother's help to button her sweater. According to Vygotsky's sociocultural theory, this situation illustrates Elena's

- A) scaffold.
- B) zone of proximal development.
- C) adaptive processes of assimilation, accommodation, and equilibration.
- D) sensorimotor development.

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_54_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Jan likes to fix her own breakfast, but the milk carton is too heavy for her to manage on her own. Her mother pours milk into a smaller container just for Jan. Which of the following has Jan's mother provided?

- A) Concrete operations
- B) Scaffolding
- C) A zone of proximal development
- D) Assimilation

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_55_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

An adult adapts a process to a child's developmental level in order to assist the child in developing a new skill or ability. What would Vygotsky call this process?

- A) Scaffolding
- B) Assisting
- C) Accommodating
- D) Adapting

Answer: A

Level: Moderate

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_56_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

"Social interactions are the most important contributors to a child's healthy development." Which of the following theories would most likely support this statement?

- A) Social learning
- B) Cognitive
- C) Behavioral
- D) Sociocultural

Answer: D

Level: Moderate

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_57_Information-Processing Theory

Information processing theorists liken the human mind to

- A) a well-oiled machine.
- B) a computer.
- C) a library.
- D) a complex puzzle.

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Information-Processing Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.3: Describe how information processing theorists explain the findings of cognitive-developmental psychologists

TB_02_58_Information-Processing Theory

Before information can be stored in long-term memory, in which of the following memory systems is the information processed?

- A) Sensory memory
- B) Short-term memory
- C) Adaptive memory
- D) Random access memory

Answer: B

Level: Moderate

Topic: Information-Processing Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.3: Describe how information processing theorists explain the findings of cognitive-developmental psychologists

TB_02_59_Information-Processing Theory

Neo-Piagetian theorists combine which of the following concepts to explain cognitive development in children?

- A) Erikson's developmental stages and Piaget's cognitive theory
- B) Piaget's cognitive theory and information processing theory
- C) Bandura's observational theory and Piaget's cognitive theory
- D) Social-learning theory and Lev Vygotsky's sociocultural theory

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Information-Processing Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.3: Describe how information processing theorists explain the findings of cognitive-developmental psychologists

TB_02_60_Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Researchers who study children's cognitive development from a Piagetian perspective and from an information-processing perspective would agree upon which of the following observations about children's cognitive development?

- A) The development of memory is not an important aspect of cognitive development.
- B) Cognitive development occurs as a result of diversified experiences in an enriched environment.
- C) The development of logical thinking is based upon processes that are less complex than conditioned responses.
- D) Age is not a determining factor in how children manage and process information to think about and act upon the world.

Answer: B

Level: Difficult

Topic: Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.4: Summarize the contributions of the cognitive theories to the study of human development

TB_02_61_Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

In terms of usefulness and reliability, which of the following is true of Vygotsky's sociocultural theory?

- A) It is far more useful than information-processing theory because it has more empirical support.
- B) It relies too much on empiricism to support its application.
- C) There is insufficient evidence at present to either support or contradict most of his theory.
- D) It has more empirical and research support than Piaget's theory.

Answer: C

Level: Difficult

Topic: Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.4: Summarize the contributions of the cognitive theories to the study of human development

TB_02_62_Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Which of the following is true of Vygotsky's sociocultural theory?

- A) Researchers have found that children of parents who provide scaffolding early on perform better in elementary school than children whose parents did not provide scaffolding.
- B) Most current research supports Vygotsky's ideas.
- C) Children who work collaboratively perform worse on sophisticated tasks than children who work alone.
- D) Most current research contradicts Vygotsky's ideas.

Answer: A

Level: Difficult

Topic: Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.4: Summarize the contributions of the cognitive theories to the study of human development

TB_02_63_Behavior Genetics

Behavior genetics researchers have a particular interest in studying

- A) special learning environments.
- B) differentiated cells.
- C) multiple births from independent zygotes.
- D) identical twins.

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Behavior Genetics

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.1: Explain how behavior geneticists try to understand individual differences

TB_02_64_Behavior Genetics

In examining the relationship between heredity and intelligence (measured by IQ), which of the following is correct?

- A) Fraternal twins are more likely than identical twins to have similar IQs.
- B) Heredity appears to have the largest influence on childhood IQ scores and decreases with age.
- C) Contradicting earlier research findings, a negative correlation in IQ scores exists between identical twins.
- D) IQ scores of identical twins are more strongly correlated than those of fraternal twins from early childhood until middle age.

Answer: D

Level: Difficult

Topic: Behavior Genetics

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.4.1: Explain how behavior geneticists try to understand individual differences

TB_02_65_Behavior Genetics

Which of the following is LEAST likely to influence IQ?

- A) The type of television shows a child watches
- B) A stimulating environment
- C) Genetics
- D) The IQ of one's parents

Answer: A

Level: Difficult

Topic: Behavior Genetics

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.4.1: Explain how behavior geneticists try to understand individual differences

TB_02_66_Ecological Theories

Which of the following schools of thought promotes the idea that certain behaviors have developed and persisted in order to ensure survival of the species?

- A) Behaviorism
- B) Classical conditioning
- C) Nativism
- D) Ethology

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Ecological Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.2: Distinguish between the explanations of human development proposed by ethologists and sociobiologists

TB_02_67_Ecological Theories

Of the following concepts, which is an aspect of the sociobiological approach to human development?

- A) Stimulus and response
- B) Cognitive deficits
- C) Social rules and behaviors that ensure survival
- D) Defense mechanisms

Answer: C

Level: Easy

Topic: Ecological Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.2: Distinguish between the explanations of human development proposed by ethologists and sociobiologists

TB_02_68_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Urie Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory of human development places primary emphasis on

- A) children's biological needs.
- B) the interactions among the contexts in which children live and develop.
- C) genetic or hereditary patterns.
- D) environmental stimuli that elicit and reinforce behavior.

Answer: B

Level: Easy

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_69_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

According to bioecological theory, which of the following contexts of development includes the values and beliefs of the culture in which a child is growing up?

- A) Microsystem
- B) Mesosystem
- C) Exosystem
- D) Macrosystem

Answer: D

Level: Easy

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_70_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

According to bioecological theory, which of the following contexts of development includes the institutions of the culture that affect children's development indirectly?

- A) Microsystem
- B) Mesosystem
- C) Exosystem
- D) Macrosystem

Answer: C

Level: Easy

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_71_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

According to bioecological theory, which of the following contexts of development includes those variables to which people are exposed directly, such as families, schools, religious institutions, and neighborhoods?

- A) Microsystem
- B) Mesosystem
- C) Exosystem
- D) Macrosystem

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_72_Assumptions About Development

Which of the following do psychoanalytic theories of development and most learning theories have in common?

- A) They both assume that nurture has the largest impact on development.
- B) They are both stability theories.
- C) They both assume that we are passive recipients of environmental influences.
- D) They both assume that we are active in shaping our own development.

Answer: C

Level: Moderate

Topic: Assumptions About Development

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.5.1: Identify the assumptions about development made by the various theories

TB_02_73_Usefulness

In terms of the usefulness of theories, Piaget's theory of cognitive development is more useful than Freud's theory of psychosexual development because Piaget's ideas offered

- A) less heuristic value.
- B) a greater number of testable predictions.
- C) fewer quantifiable variables.
- D) more room for interpretation of terms.

Answer: B

Level: Moderate

Topic: Usefulness

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.5.2: Identify the criteria used by developmentalists to judge the usefulness of theories

TB_02_74_Eclecticism

An important trend in the study of human development involves incorporating many theoretical perspectives in order to better explain development. Which of the following describes this approach?

- A) Eclecticism
- B) Multiculturalism
- C) The cross-modal approach
- D) The stages of change model

Answer: A

Level: Easy

Topic: Eclecticism

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.5.3: Explain the usefulness of eclecticism in relation to more traditional approaches

Fill-in-the-Blank Questions

TB_02_75_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

According to Freud, the aspect of personality that demands immediate gratification of sexual and aggressive impulses is the _____.

Answer: id

Level: Easy

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_76_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

You find a wallet lying on the floor of your classroom. Everyone else has left and you are alone. Part of your personality wants to take the money that is in the wallet and part of your personality is telling you that it would be wrong to do so. According to psychoanalytic theory, the part that is telling you that it would be wrong is your _____.

Answer: superego

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_77_Psychoanalytic Theories

Psychosocial is to _____ as psychoanalytic is to _____.

Answer: Erikson; Freud

Level: Easy

Topic: Psychoanalytic Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_78_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

You say that your roommate is carrying "excess baggage" into his relationships. Erikson would say that your friend has unresolved _____.

Answer: crises

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_79_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Eight-year-old Jaime is in the third grade. He is very good at drawing and frequently receives praise from his parents and teachers. According to Erikson's psychosocial theory, Jaime will develop a sense of _____.

Answer: industry

Level: Moderate

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_80_Learning Theories

All learning theories rely on the principle that development results from an accumulation of _____.

Answer: experiences

Level: Easy

Topic: Learning Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.1.3: Assess the strengths and weakness of psychoanalytic theory

TB_02_81_Classical Conditioning

The underlying principle of classical conditioning is teaching an organism to exhibit a biologically programmed reflex in response to a _____ stimulus.

Answer: novel (or new)

Level: Difficult

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_82_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

_____ coined the term "operant conditioning."

Answer: B. F. Skinner

Level: Easy

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_83_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

In operant conditioning, _____ always strengthens behavior; _____ always weakens behavior.

Answer: reinforcement; punishment

Level: Moderate

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_84_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

In Piaget's theory of cognitive development, _____ is the process of balancing assimilation with accommodation.

Answer: equilibration

Level: Moderate

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_85_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Kara is in the first grade. At lunch, she sits next to her best friend Sheila, and today they are having hot dogs. An older child helps Kara and Sheila by cutting their hot dogs into pieces. Kara complains because her hot dog was cut into five pieces and Sheila's was cut into six. Kara believes that Sheila has more food. Kara has not yet learned the principle of _____.

Answer: conservation

Level: Difficult

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_86_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

According to Vygotsky's sociocultural theory, training wheels on a bicycle would be an example of _____.

Answer: scaffolding

Level: Moderate

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_87_Ecological Theories

_____ studies animals in their natural environment.

Answer: Ethology

Level: Easy

Topic: Ecological Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.4.2: Distinguish between the explanations of human development proposed by ethologists and sociobiologists

TB_02_88_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

In Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory, my immediate family, my job, and my dogs are all part of my _____.

Answer: microsystem

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_89_Usefulness

The degree to which a theory stimulates thinking and research is known as the theory's _____.

Answer: heuristic value

Level: Easy

Topic: Usefulness

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.5.2: Identify the criteria used by developmentalists to judge the usefulness of theories

TB_02_90_Eclecticism

_____ refers to the use of multiple theoretical perspectives to explain and study human development.

Answer: Eclecticism

Level: Easy

Topic: Eclecticism

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.5.3: Explain the usefulness of eclecticism in relation to more traditional approaches

Short Answer Questions

TB_02_91_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Identify the three broad families of developmental theories, and a fourth, which has been added recently to account for one of the major shortcomings of the original three.

Answer: psychoanalytic; learning; cognitive-developmental; the addition of biological theories that provide context

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_92_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

What is the purpose of defense mechanisms according to psychoanalytic theory?

Answer: To ease the anxiety that results from conflicts between the id and superego.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_93_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

In Freud's psychoanalytic theory, what causes fixation?

Answer: Results from insufficient gratification of the libido during a stage of development.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_94_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

List the psychosocial crises that a child between the ages of 1 and 12 years will need to resolve in order to develop successfully.

Answer: autonomy vs. shame and doubt; initiative vs. guilt; industry vs. inferiority

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_95_Classical Conditioning

In classical conditioning terms, a reflex is made up of what two components?

Answer: an unconditioned stimulus causing an unconditioned response

Level: Moderate

Topic: Classical Conditioning

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.2.1: Explain how classical conditioning relates to human development

TB_02_96_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

In operant conditioning terms, all behavior stems from reactions to what?

Answer: external reinforcers and/or punishers

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_97_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Every time I go to the grocery store, I purchase lottery tickets, but I have never won anything. If operant conditioning theory is correct, what will eventually happen to my lottery-ticket-buying behavior?

Answer: It will become extinct.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_98_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Why do we sometimes persist in behaviors even though we have been punished for them?

Answer: either the punishment was inadequate or the reward received from performing the behavior outweighs the punishment

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_99_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

According to social-cognitive theory, in order to learn from a model, what factors must be present?

Answer: motivation; physical ability; ability to remember

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_100_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

According to Piaget, what is a scheme?

Answer: a world view or internal cognitive structure that influences how we act in our environment

Level: Easy

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_101_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

What would Vygotsky call a developmental level in a child's life when he or she is primed biologically and is socially ready to learn a new behavior?

Answer: the zone of proximal development

Level: Moderate

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_102_Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

If someone asked you whether you find Vygotsky's sociocultural theory to be useful in understanding development, what would be your well-informed response?

Answer: Presently there is insufficient evidence to either support or discredit his theory.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Evaluation of Cognitive Theories

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.3.4: Summarize the contributions of the cognitive theories to the study of human development

TB_02_103_Ecological Theories

Juanita believes that we need to understand an individual's ability to adapt to her or his environment in order to explain development. From which theory is Juanita working?

Answer: Ecological and/or ethology

Level: Moderate

Topic: Ecological Theories

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.4.2: Distinguish between the explanations of human development proposed by ethologists and sociobiologists

TB_02_104_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Using Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory, give a brief example of things that might exist in my macrosystem.

Answer: Examples would be culture, values and belief systems, social context

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory

TB_02_105_Comparing Theories

Name two developmental theories that propose that we are active in shaping our own development.

Answer: Possibilities are social-learning, cognitive, or information processing theories

Level: Easy

Topic: Comparing Theories

Skill: Understand the Concepts

LO 2.5.1: Identify the assumptions about development made by the various theories

Essay Questions

TB_02_106_Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Briefly describe the function of the id in human behavior.

Answer: The answer should include the concept of libido, instant gratification, basic aggression and sexual needs/drives; concept of the id being totally unconscious.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Freud's Psychosexual Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.1: Identify the main ideas of Sigmund Freud's psychosexual theory

TB_02_107_No Easy Answers—The Repressed Memory Controversy

Summarize the repressed memory controversy.

Answer: The answer needs to include that opinion in the psychological community is split. Important points: that therapists do not inadvertently "plant" false memories; that memories are indeed sometimes repressed; and that therapists need to exercise caution when working with the concepts of the unconscious mind.

Level: Difficult

Topic: No Easy Answers—The Repressed Memory Controversy

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_108_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Explain three basic principles of Erikson's psychosocial theory of development.

Answer: The answer should include the following: his focus on social interactions; the resolution of crises at each stage of development; and the idea that healthy resolution of crises depends on some integration of the negative side of the dichotomy.

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Evaluate It

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_109_Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

At which stage of development would a 25-year-old adult be in Erikson's psychosocial theory? Name the crisis to be resolved in this stage and give an example of this resolution.

Answer: The individual is in the intimacy vs. isolation stage, which focuses on the development of healthy, mature relationships. It is important to note that the relationships do NOT need to be romantic, married, or child-producing. The example needs to fit with the correct explanation of the crisis.

Level: Difficult

Topic: Erikson's Psychosocial Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.1.2: Explain the significance of psychosocial conflicts in Erikson's stages of development

TB_02_110_Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Many people do not understand the difference between negative reinforcement and punishment. Explain the difference between these two concepts. Give an example of each.

Answer: The answer must explain the basic difference between reinforcement (strengthening of a response) and punishment (weakening of a response) and the difference between positive (application) and negative (removal). Examples will vary, but they must be clear that negative reinforcement increases the likelihood of a behavior, whereas punishment weakens it.

Level: Difficult

Topic: Skinner's Operant Conditioning

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.2.2: Identify the principles of human development according to the operant conditioning approach

TB_02_111_Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Give an example of Bandura's social-cognitive learning at work. Your example must show that you understand the concepts of modeling and how individuals choose whom and what behaviors to model.

Answer: We tend to model the behaviors of those people with whom we can identify. Other factors that come into play are motivation, physical abilities, memory, and age.

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bandura's Social-Cognitive Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.2.3: Explain the cognitive elements of human development in the social-cognitive theory

TB_02_112_Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Three of Piaget's basic concepts are schemes, accommodation, and assimilation. Give an example to illustrate each of these concepts.

Answer: Schemes remain the same with assimilation and change with accommodation. Experiences that are not assimilated are either discarded or will bring about accommodation and the changing of schemes.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Piaget's Cognitive-Developmental Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.3.1: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Piaget

TB_02_113_Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

What did Vygotsky mean by the terms "scaffolding" and the "zone of proximal development?"

Answer: Scaffolding includes an appropriate level of attention on the part of the child and the appropriate use of "props" by an adult mentor. Zone of proximal development must take into consideration what the child has learned up to the point of new learning, and their abilities at the point of new learning.

Level: Moderate

Topic: Vygotsky's Sociocultural Theory

Skill: Analyze It

LO 2.3.2: Summarize the principles of cognitive development proposed by Vygotsky

TB_02_114_Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Name the three systems that make up Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory. Give examples of components that might be included in each.

Answer: The three systems are macro, exo, and micro. Macro is the largest context and environment, micro is the smallest, and exo is socioeconomic. The mesosystem, if mentioned, are the interconnections among components. The examples must illustrate these concepts.

Level: Difficult

Topic: Bronfenbrenner's Bioecological Theory

Skill: Apply What You Know

LO 2.4.3: Identify the main idea of Bronfenbrenner's bioecological theory