

## **Developmental psychology oral exam topics and keywords**

1. The aim of Developmental Psychology, Genetic and biological determinants of development (principles of lifespan perspective, Sources of development: genetic inheritance vs. environment, genotype, phenotype, mutations, hereditary disorders, Tetragens; The question of continuity; Individual differences)
2. Attachment ( attachment behavior, attachment theories - Freud, Erikson, Harlow, Mary Ainsworth), attachment development, attachment styles, social deprivation, multiple attachment; Infant emotions
3. Peer relationships (relationship types, measurement options, characteristics of sociometric status, sociometric figures, dyadic relationships, functions of friendship, lack of friendship)
4. Cognitive development (theoretical approaches, Piaget's model and stages of development, experiments, magical thinking, critiques of Piaget)
5. Moral development (analytical approach, social learning theory, Piaget- heteronomous and autonomous morality, Kohlberg- stages, Heinz-dilemma, Piaget's and Kohlberg's critique)
6. Psychosexual development (gender identity development, gender roles, family and gender development, puberty- physical and hormonal changes, the start of puberty, Consequences of early and late maturation)
7. Development of self-awareness and self-image (what is self?, the separation of the self, signs of self-development is speech, self-awareness, self-image, body schema, self-recognition, self-image in preschool and school age, social comparison)
8. Development of emotions (primary and secondary emotions, The two-step theory of emotional development, Self-control- Maccoby, aggression- hostile and instrumental, sex differences, aggression between siblings and among peers, Theories of aggression; prosocial behavior-explanations, empathy theory, developing a helpful attitude)
9. Developmental psychology aspects of drawing ( drawing as a means of expression, externalization, theoretical approaches to drawing development, stages of drawing development, Drawing tests (Man in the Rain, Draw a Person, Family Drawing)
10. The psychological role and significance of fairy tales in development, storytelling ( the joy of recognition, story-books, double consciousness, characteristics of a good tale, dynamics of desire fulfilment, end of the tale period)