

The Nurture of Behavior and the interplay of Nature and Nurture

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Intro Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P-D33oWiOEg>

How much credit (or blame) do parents deserve?

Parents always feel like failures when their child does something wrong or bad, and they feel very proud when their child does something good. They think that their children act the way they do because they raised them that way. If parents shape a child's personality then shouldn't children who share the same parents have similar personalities, well less than 10% of children (who share the same parents) personalities are similar.



Parent Influence any opinion, attitude, or action (other than direct tutoring) that somehow shapes or molds the child's reading attitudes.

Chromosomes a threadlike structure of nucleic acids and protein found in the nucleus of most living cells, carrying genetic information in the form of genes.

Identical Twins Twins can be monozygotic ,meaning that they develop from one zygote, which splits and forms two embryos.

Fraternal Twins Twins can be dizygotic, meaning that they develop from two different eggs.

Culture

Culture is important because...



Culture is the way people of different race, sex, or regions express themselves. People of the same regions typically share similar cultures. For example, people of the western US teach their children to be independent. Being a social **norm** is another term for being typical or really fitting with current cultures.

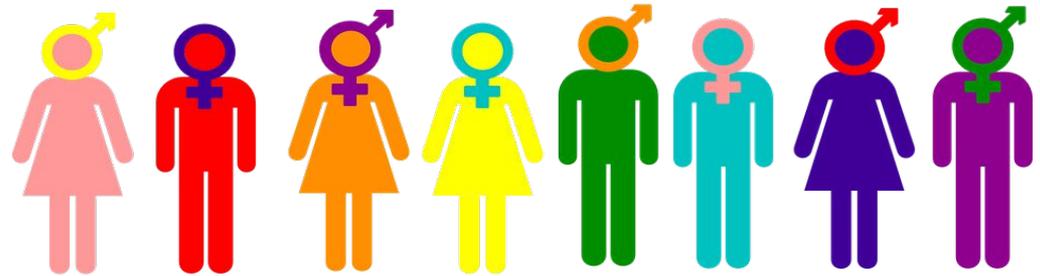
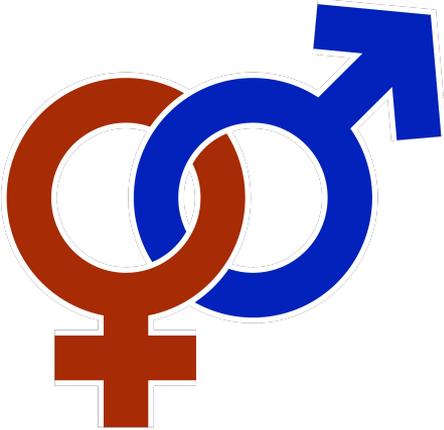
How/why does culture influence the development of children? Culture influences kids because more often than not, kids feel the need to fit in with other kids and the hottest trends. For example, studies have shown that westerners who raise their children to be independent tend to grow up to be responsible adults.

Why is cultural diversity important? Cultural diversity is important because our workplaces, schools and so on consist of people of different races or cultures. It's important that we attempt to understand these culture so we can learn a thing or two from them.

The Nature and Nurture of Gender

Gender is determined at birth due to hormones, while still different than sex. Transgender could be a result of lack of unusual amount of hormones of the opposite sex. The state of being male or female typically used with reference to social and cultural differences rather than biological ones.

- ★ Nature, or, in other words, heredity, refers to traits that are inherited or genetic. Human aspects of human development are initially driven (directly or indirectly) by that person's genetic makeup.
- ★ Nurture, on the other hand, or the environment refers to all environmental influences after conception.



Peer Influence

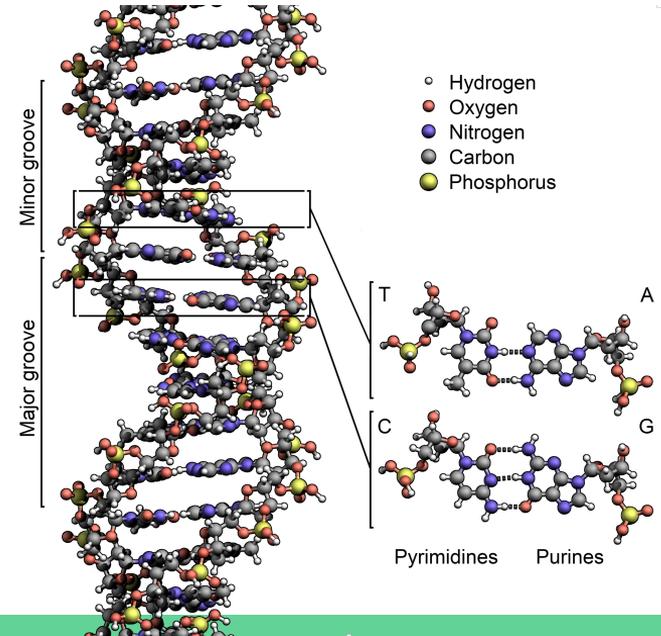
- ❖ **Peer Pressure or (social pressure)** is influence on observers, or an individual who get encouraged to follow others by changing their attitude, values, or behaviors to conform to those influencing group or individual.
- ❖ **Why do we have peer pressure?** Kids give into peer pressure because they want to be liked, to fit in, or they worry that other kids might make fun of them if they don't go along with the group. Furthermore, some kids go along because they are curious to try something new that others are doing.
- ❖ **Positives:** Pressured to not to do drugs/drink/smoke, pressured to be nice and helpful to other individuals, pressured to exercise and pressured to get good grades in school.
- ❖ **Negatives:** Insulting, reasoning, rejection, threats, and unspoken pressure.



Reflections on Nature and Nurture

Most people believe that due to **biological sex**, the way we act and behave is due to the genes we have inherited from our biological parents. Some people believe it's our culture and where we were raised. People also believe that it is both where we were raised and our genes.

Biological Sex is when a male and female have sexual intercourse.



Review Questions

Fill in the blank

1. People of the western US teach their children to be _____.
2. Most people believe that due to biological sex, the way we act and behave is due to the _____ we have inherited from our biological parents.

Definitions

3. What is the definition of Fraternal Twins?
4. What is the definition of Peer Pressure?

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Answers to the Review Questions

Fill in the Blank Answers:

1. Independent
2. Genes

Definition Answers:

3. Twins can be dizygotic, meaning they develop from two different eggs.
4. Is influence on observers, or an individual who get encouraged to follow others by changing their attitude, values, or behaviors to conform to those influencing group or individual.