

Module 2: Child Growth and Development

Power point 2

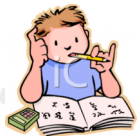


Developmental and Individual Needs contd.

Research contd.

Learning is cumulative and builds upon prior learning and development.

- Young children can learn more than one language.
- Building “executive function” (the command and control center of the brain) is crucial for development and learning.
- Children learn in and through their environment.



Temperament

Research says each child is born with his/her own temperament and behavioral characteristics that usually persist through life.



Think about this...



The term “Goodness of fit” refers to the match between a child’s temperament and his or her environment. A child is in good fit when adult expectations and demands match the child’s individual temperamental characteristics.

Caregivers need to model respect for and support of each child’s unique combination of genetics, culture, temperament and experiences.