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**PIAGET’S STAGES OF COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT**

**Directions:** Visit the following website 🡪 <http://tinyurl.com/Piagetweb>. Scroll to the discussion of Piaget’s stages of cognitive development. To find information about the milestones for each stage, click on the hyperlinks of the stage names.

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| **STAGE & AGE RANGE** | **DESCRIPTION OF STAGE** | **DEFINITIONS OF DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES** |
| **SENSORIMOTOR**  Birth – 2 years |  | Object Permanence |
| **PREOPERATIONAL**  2 – 6 years |  | Egocentrism |
| **CONCRETE OPERATIONAL**  7 – 11 years |  | Conservation (in the wrong spot – find with preoperational stage) |
| **FORMAL OPERATIONAL**  12 years – adulthood |  | Abstract Reasoning  Hypothetical Ideas |

**Scroll down to the “Fundamental Concepts” section.**

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| Define *schema*. | What is the difference between *assimilation* and *accommodation*? |

**PIAGET’S MILESTONES IN PRACTICE: VIDEO EXAMPLES**

1. Watch the following video: <http://tinyurl.com/zcpacnj>

How does this video illustrate the baby’s lack of object permanence?

1. Watch the following video: <http://tinyurl.com/jbrfcx3>

Which milestone explains why these children are so bad at hide-and-seek?

1. Read this definition on “theory of mind:” <http://tinyurl.com/hpjlpok>

How does theory of mind relate to egocentrism?

Watch this video: <http://tinyurl.com/z5pwfz6> Watch this video: <http://tinyurl.com/jpcl7dm>

Why is this a theory of mind “pass?” Why is this a theory of mind “fail?”

1. Watch the following video: <http://tinyurl.com/hzfpdo7>

How can you tell these children lack conservation?

1. Watch the following video: <http://tinyurl.com/h4osqmu>

What is the difference in the way these children reason? Which one is capable of hypothetical reasoning? How can you tell?