1.2 PP Notes Studying Children

5 Areas of Child Development
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Characteristics of Development
- Researchers have found child development follows these five general rules:
- 1. _____
    - Children go through the stages in almost the same order.
    - Example: Rolling over before walking
- 2. _____
    - Development follows a sequence, or an order of steps.
    - The skills learned at one stage build upon those mastered earlier.
- 3. _____
    - All children pass through the same stages, but they do so at a different rate.
    - Example: Sam learned to walk at 11 months, but Dean did not begin walking until 13 months.
- 4. _____
    - Changes occur in each area at the same time.
- 5. _____
    - The rate of development varies, but it never stops for anyone.

Influences on Development
- Each child has their own combination of factors that influence development. These factors are:
- 1. _____ The biological transfer of certain characteristics from earlier generations. Blood type, eye color, and hair color are just a few of the characteristics determined by heredity.
- 2. _____ is the people, places, and things that surround and influence a person, including family, home, school, and community.
- Heredity is often referred to as _____
- Environment is often referred to as _____
- Children often inherit certain characteristics like _____ from their parents. (nature)
- Children often learn _____ from their environment. (nurture)
    - Example: Elena's mom loves to read and she sees her taking reading seriously, so Elena learns to love to read also.
- It is impossible to separate _____.
- Do we love to read because our mother loves to read and we see her do it so we do it to? Or do we both share the same genes and that is why we both love to read?

Influences on Development
- No two children have _____, even children who live in the same home.
- Two _____ may have different teachers, friends, activities, etc.
- Everyone in a child's life _____ their development. That is why working with children is such a _____!