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Reflection #6

1-Describe Erickson's developmental stages found in middle childhood. How can Erickson's theory be useful for an assessment?

Erickson's developmental stage name is called the industry versus inferiority. It is the stage in that children from the ages 6 to 12 will be to begin to develop social, intellectual, and physical skills.

Erickson's theory is useful for an either in social work as it can be used when clients are kids of at age. When used, it can help prepare a mental note of what a child of age 6 will go through at his/her school, or has gone through if older. With this, if the child has gone through problems with peers, or family, like divorce or a loss of a loved one, it can affect the continuing development of the child and this understanding can help the social worker to be in a foundation to intervene with care.

2-Discuss the significance of peer relationships in middle childhood. How can peer relationships support development in middle childhood? How can peer relationships impede development in middle childhood?

A child at the age of 6 to 12 is the age where most of their time in life will be spent in school. They will make friends of their age as there will be many of their age. Having peers will increase a child when growing to and adolescent to develop healthier mental health than those who have poor peer relationships.

Having high peer relationships can help with social development like the use of Social-role taking. Allowing children at that age to be able to start understanding how to empathize with others. A skill needed when going over the age of 12.

3-Discuss the development of social cognition, particularly social role-taking, and interpersonal awareness. How can social cognition support and/or impede development in middle childhood?

The development of social role-taking is what allows children to see others' perspectives. Through the share of peers and others the child, the development of interpersonal skills comes. Where the 4 stages of interpersonal development increase with the increase in role-taking in a peer group and the size of the group.