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# The Development Of Children



## Synopsis

The Development of Children has long been acclaimed for its authoritative chronological exploration of how the lives of children are shaped by biological and cultural factors. In this thoroughly updated new edition, lead author Cynthia Lightfoot builds on the legacy of original authors Michael and Sheila Cole, offering a lively, engaging, and always accessible examination of child development as a process involving the whole child within multiple, mutually influencing contexts. Throughout, the emphasis is on how the interaction of biology and culture contributes both to the universal pathways of development shared by all children and to the diverse developmental patterns that unfold in the lives of individual children. What's in the LaunchPad

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Great for high school or entry college class into psychology. Unfortunately, this was a requirement for my child psych degree. I wish it wasn't so juvenile and was more in depth. The material seems rather basic, a lot of common sense information that anyone working towards a degree in child development or psychology should already know. That being said, it has a nice layout and I do appreciate the definitions in the side margins.

It is nice to be able to open the book up all the way with loose leaf....but on the other hand the pages wear very easily which makes it hard to resale!!! I would rather have had the paper back textbook ^•

If you've taken any basic high school psychology or sociology, this book is a total review. Super-textbooky. Waste of money.

Even though this book is relatively new, it is already outdated. It uses offensive language such as "transgendered", and overall, includes much more information than any intro book needs.

At the time that my classes started, this book was only available in the hardcover edition at \$130. \$130 for a textbook. That's outlandish even for a college student like me. It's ridiculously overpriced. Secondly, the content is bad. Although all subject material is covered, there is so much excess information in the book that I seldom even bothered to read the chapters, as it took me too long to do so. In addition to this, the writing style is all over the place. I understand that there are different writers of this textbook, but it's hard to even find a paragraph that flows well. The nonchalant usage of figures of speech and borderline slang is baffling. I hated this book and I can't wait to sell it to get at least some of my money back. If you must buy it, make sure you go for the much more economically priced softcover edition.

There is no reason to buy this if you are taking a class and need online access this will not give it to you. It's pretty ridiculous. Don't buy it from .

Interesting book but would like to see it go more in depth. The hard cover was perfect for me as I usually don't get along with paperback books. I needed this book for one of my classes.

I had to purchase this book for my child psych class. It's easy to understand and well written. I would recommend it for anyone interested in child psych.

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