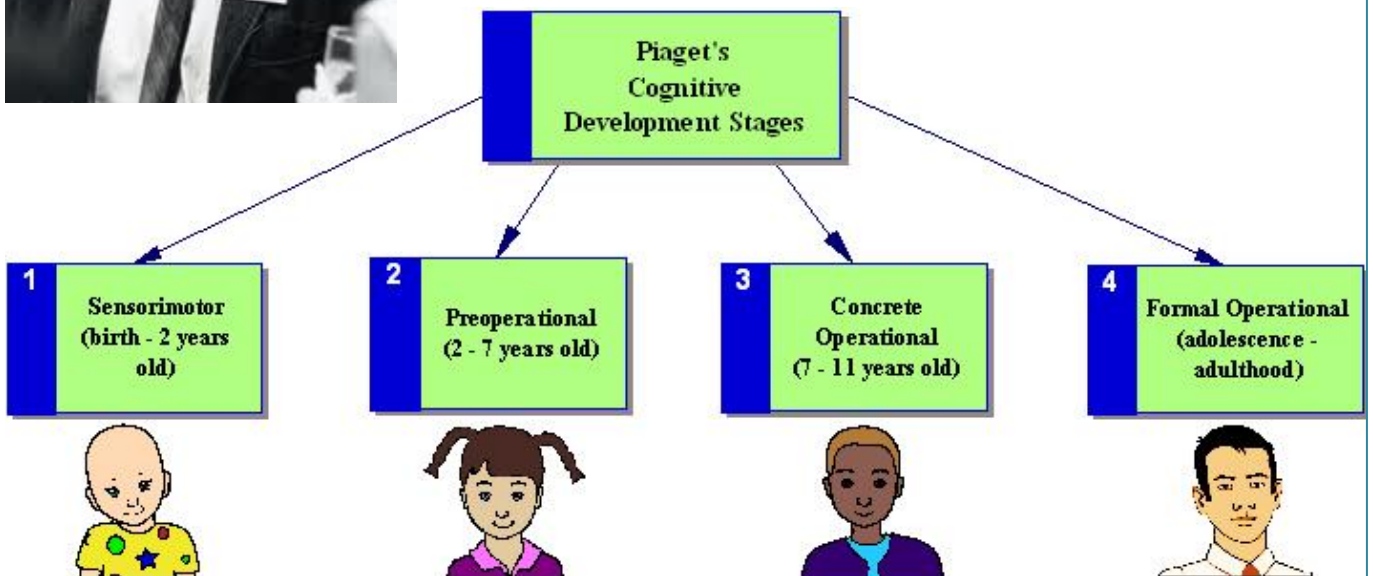
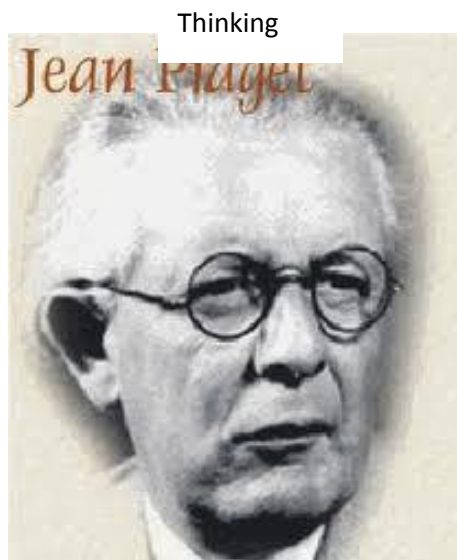


COGNITION AND DEVELOPMENT: Development and Thinking

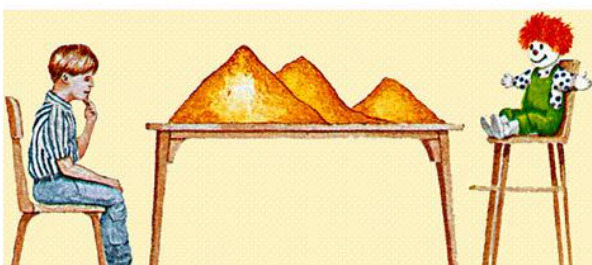
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Lawrence Kohlberg:
Moral Development

Lev Vygotsky:
Language



Piaget's Mountain Task



Cognition and development	
Development of thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Theories of cognitive development, including Piaget and Vygotsky• Applications of cognitive development theories to education
Development of moral understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kohlberg's theory of moral understanding
Development of social cognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of the child's sense of self, including Theory of Mind• Development of children's understanding of others, including perspective taking for example, Selman• Biological explanations of social cognition, including the role of the mirror neuron system

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(a) Describe **one** theory of cognitive development. (8 marks)

(b) Consider ways in which research into cognitive development has been applied to education. (16 marks)

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Discuss the development of the child's sense of self. (8 marks + 16 marks)

Vygotsky and Piaget put forward different theories of cognitive development.

Outline these **two** theories. (8 marks)

Evaluate these theories of cognitive development (16 marks)

Development of thinking

The mental skills needed to process information about the world are called cognitive skills. Cognitive psychology focuses on thinking, memory, language and problem solving.

Cognitive developmental psychologists are interested in the development of these skills and how they are organised at each stage of development from birth.

The most comprehensive account of cognitive development is that of Jean Piaget.