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Developing Infant-Toddler School Readiness

- 1. According to the Office of Head Start, in order to exhibit the school readiness to suceed in school, infants and toddlers must possess adequate:
- A. Skills, knowledge, and attitudes
- B. Emotional regulation, maturity, and autonomy
- C. Attentiveness, interest, foundations
- D. Creativity, initiative, cooperation
- 2. What does school readiness mean specifically for teachers of infants and toddlers?
- A. Teaching children early routines
- B. Supporting life skill development
- C. Supporting the developing brain
- D. Focusing on early childhood best practices
- 3. Which of the following is NOT one of the school readiness domains?
- A. Cognition
- B. Approaches to Learning
- C. Social and Emotional Development
- D. Temperament
- 4. Which choice identifies the five domains of school readiness?
- A. Cognition; reading skills; scientific exploration; social and emotional development; approaches to learning
- B. Approaches to learning; functional skills; social and emotional development; cognition; learning style
- C. Emotional regulation; approaches to learning; gross motor skills; cognition; approaches to learning
- D. Perceptual, motor, and physical development; social and emotional development; approaches to learning; cognition; language and literacy
- 5. This domain focuses on the development of receptive, expressive, and written language.
- A. Social and Emotional Development
- B. Language and Literacy
- C. Approaches to Learning
- D. Cognition

- 6. This domain focuses on the skills and behaviors children use to engage in learning.
- A. Approaches to learning
- B. Cognition
- C. Language and Literacy
- D. Perceptual, motor, and physical development
- 7. The subdomains of this central domain include memory, problem solving and exploration and discovery
- A. Language and Literacy
- B. Approaches to Learning
- C. Cognition
- D. Social and Emotional Development
- 8. Which of the following is NOT one of the focuses of The Social and Emotional Development domain?
- A. Ability to manage emotions
- B. Relationships with adults and other children
- C. Ability to take initiative
- D. Having a sense of identity and belonging
- 9. Using the senses to explore and gain information about the world is known as:
- A. Awareness
- B. Perception
- C. Recognition
- D. Observation
- 10. Which of the following is NOT an effect of responsive interpersonal experiences on early brain development?
- A. Release of cortisol
- B. Forming secure attachment
- C. Synapses that respond to nurturing behavior grow
- D. The brain perceives the world as a safe place
- 11. Secure attachment promotes the feelings of safety and security for babies, which are important foundations for building
- A. Confidence
- B. Independence
- C. Relationships

D. Self-regulation
12. Insecure attachment occurs when a caregiver is
A. Loving
B. Consistent
C. Unreliable
D. Both A & B
13. In addition to providing a safe, structured and nurturing environment, caregivers can help toddlers co-regulate by teaching and modeling skills, using simple words to communicate needs, and:
A. Encouraging creativity
B. Sticking with routines
C. Establishing expectaions D. Talking about emotions and use emotion words
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14. When children experience nurturing relationships in the first three years of life, they are more likely to:
A. Feel confident to explore their environment
B. Enjoy school
C. Experience strong emotions
D. Exhibit age-appropriate behaviors
15. Some of the benefits of high quality early learning programs in include lasting gains in
A. IQ
B. Higher order thinking skills
C. Social-emotional skills
D. Both A & C
16. Which of the following is NOT a risk factor for school readiness deficits?
A. Poverty
B. Special Needs
C. Premature Birth
D. Unstable home life
17. Which of the following is NOT a result of serve and return interactions?
A. Increased memory capacity
B. Neural connections are strengthened

- C. The brain experiences positive growth
- D. Communication and social skills are developed

18. Toxic stress causes

- A. Excessive release of cortisol
- B. A constant state of hyperarousal
- C. Unhealthy changes to brain development
- D. Expansion of the prefrontal cortex

19. Toxic stress can be buffered by

- A. Quality learning materials
- B. Nurturing relationships
- C. Extracurricular activities
- D. Flexibility in the classroom

20. Positive early interpersonal experiences do which of the following?

- A. Supports self-regulation skills
- B. Prepares a child for positive relationships
- C. Tells the brain that the world is a safe place
- D. Guarantee academic success

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