3-5 pages, double-spaced (paper); • Paper: Essay format, with introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion • Cite at least 3 sources: two articles from peer-reviewed journals, and at least one additional source (textbook / newspaper / magazine / reputable website / TED talk / etc.) • Cite your sources in APA format (internally, and at the end of the paper under References.) For a video: you can include this at the end, or send your Reference page separately. CONTENT • Topic: Describe how a concept from class can be applied in a real-life setting (teaching, clinical, childcare, etc.) Your topic should relate directly to some aspect of the cognitive development of infants, children, or teens. In your research, find a specific technique/method/ recommendation/etc. that has been developed relating to that concept. (E.g., your topic should not be "scaffolding," but could be specific scaffolding techniques used to teach math.) o Examples include (but are not limited to): teaching methods based on Piaget OR Vygotksy's theory; techniques for scaffolding speech or language development; alternatives to standardized testing; how media for children (TV shows, computer games, etc.) can be used in ways that benefit cognitive development; diagnostic methods or therapeutic treatments for children with ADHD; and MANY others. o Choose a topic based on your interests! If you're an education major, you may want to focus on teaching techniques; if you're an aspiring clinician, on diagnosis or treatment. If you're a parent, aunt/uncle, baby-sitter, etc., you may want to look into more 'everyday' applications to encourage healthy cognitive development.