Unit 9: Human Development Study Questions

1. Describe the main process of development in each of the 3 prenatal stages.

2. Define teratogen and give an example of one.

3. Give an example of Habituation that you understand.

4. Name and describe three reflexes exhibited by newborns.

5. Discuss how experimentation influences motor development in children (two trends).

6. Describe Piaget’s theory of knowledge and cognitive development and include vocab relevant to the four different stages.

7. Discuss the criticisms of and alternatives to Piaget’s theory of cognitive development. (Lev Vygotsky’s theory)
8. Describe the three main temperament patterns discussed in the text.

9. Define “contact comfort” and the legacy of Harry Harlow’s famous study involving the Rhesus Monkey.

10. Explain Mary Ainsworth’s Strange-Situation procedure and its results in terms of attachment styles.

11. Describe differences between authoritarian, permissive, and authoritative parenting styles.

12. Describe the stage of moral reasoning suggested by Kohlberg. Define preconventional, conventional, and postconventional moral reasoning.

13. Describe Carol Gilligan’s criticism of Kohlberg’s Morality theory.
14. Discuss the cognitive decline that occurs in late adulthood, including Alzheimer’s disease.

15. Explain the difference between a cross-sectional study and a longitudinal study.

16. Explain **Imprinting** as told by Konrad Lorenz.