

Child Development: Overview

Child Development refers to the way in which individuals grow and change over the course of childhood and adolescence. Children and teens grow in many different ways, so there are many aspects of child development, including cognitive development, growth in communication, socialization, identity development, growth in self-care and daily living skills, motor skills development, moral development, and spiritual development. Many of these aspects of development have implications for catechesis, especially cognitive, moral and spiritual development.

Not all children develop in the same way. Each child grows at his or her own pace. Some children may also have special developmental needs.

To fully benefit from this section, follow the directions in the introduction to each segment. When you have completed all the segments, do the Assessment at the end and email it to your religion coordinator or principal.