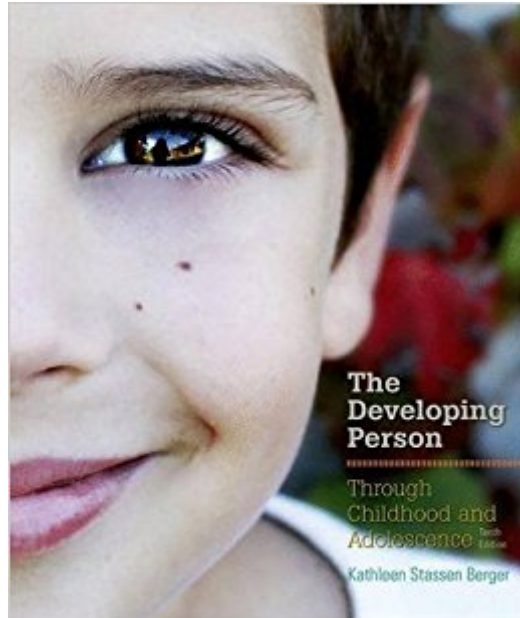


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# Developing Person Through Childhood And Adolescence



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The author warns people to not trust theories, that correlation does not prove causation, then she states what I can only assume are her own opinions based on theories as fact. I will give evidence for my conclusions below. THIS BOOK SHOULD NOT BE USED TO TEACH A NEW GENERATION OF PROFESSIONALS, THEY WILL BE MISINFORMED. During Chapter One, the

section of this book that talks about always doing long-term studies to prove causation, and warns against the dangers of correlation being viewed as causation, the author gives the example of vaccines being blamed for autism. The author states that vaccines and autism was a dangerous mistake of correlation that wasn't truly causation. Honestly, I am fine with this assertion, as the link has never been proven and there is a lot of evidence against the link. However, the author goes on to state that autism might have been caused by damage to a fetus by the mother while the baby is in her uterus. Specifically, Berger states that "now most experts believe something genetic or prenatal disrupted normal social connections in the brain. That implies either that the parents carry the genes for autism or that the mother harmed the fetal brain when she was pregnant, or both."

(Berger, page 29. She states this as being evidenced by Persico & Merelli in 2014, I read this scholarly article and it did not say that, I will discuss this later). As a mother of a child with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) who did everything my doctor told me while pregnant, this assertion obviously bothered me. It bothered me especially as I've done YEARS of research and have never even heard of this theory. I talked to a child and adolescent psychiatrist who treats autistic children, she also had not heard of this link.

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