

and Gleason, 2015). Children with DSED may exhibit behaviors such as inappropriate approach to unfamiliar adults, lack of suspicion of strangers, and poor impulse control (Zeanah and Gleason, 2015). Either or both of these complex disorders are diagnosed with maltreated and orphaned children. Without early intervention, some of these children fail to develop a conscience and develop an antisocial personality disorder that may lead to criminal acts. Children with autism or other pervasive developmental disorders have behaviors that are categorically different from those with RAD (Zeanah and Gleason, 2015).

### Separation Anxiety

Between 4 and 8 months old, infants progress through the first stage of separation-individuation and begin to have some awareness of themselves and their mothers as separate beings. At the same time, object permanence is developing, and infants are aware that their parents can be absent. Therefore, separation anxiety develops and is manifested through a predictable sequence of behaviors.

During the early second half of the first year, infants protest when placed in their cribs, and a short time later, they object when their mothers leave the room. Infants may not notice the mother's absence if they are absorbed in an activity. However, when they realize her absence, they protest. From this point on, they become alert to her activities and whereabouts. By 11 to 12 months old, they are able to anticipate her imminent departure by watching her behaviors, and they begin to protest *before* she leaves. At this point, many parents learn to postpone alerting the child to their departure until just before leaving.

### Stranger Fear

As infants demonstrate attachment to one person, they correspondingly exhibit less friendliness to others. Between 6 and 8 months old, fear of strangers and stranger anxiety become prominent and are related to infants' ability to discriminate between familiar and unfamiliar people. Behaviors such as clinging to the parent, crying, and turning away from the stranger are common.