Read Essays:

9/12-9/14

Evidence-based prenatal care:

* 7-11 prenatal visits per pregnancy in developed countries
* There is a table that lists various things in Pregnancy and guidelines that follow
* Discuss prenatal care plans (visit at least once in the first trimester)
* Papanicolaou test checks for cervical cancer
* Domestic violence can affect a pregnancy and put the fetus at risk
* Screen for genes to check for genetic disorders and miscarriages
* Gain 25 – 35 lbs during the pregnancy
* Lists dietary restrictions during pregnancies as well

Parental Pregnancy Wantedness and Child Social-Emotional Development

* Paper that describes how much a child is wanted vs their development
* Result: Showed lower social emotional development scores when unwanted
* Low income/single-parent show more behavioral problems
* Outcome variable measured = social-emotional development. 21 item scale in a teacher questionnaire.
* Pregnancy wantedness was also measured. 9 months postpartum.
* Father analysis only showed correlation for having a college degree. No other associations.
* Research did show good results for wantedness and couple concordance for social emotional development.
* Interesting that if both parents don’t want a child, there was still good social emotional development.

Infant Behavior and Development:

* Identify the mechanisms that underlie development of secure relationships
* Maternal sensitivity remains the best documented precursor of infant attachment.
* Mind-mindfulness: characteristic to be able to perceive the cues, not just respond to them.
* This study: assess attachment, sensitivity, and mind-mindedness in naturalist settings. Trying to split the behaviors into their own boxes.