

Reading *After
Jul 26, 2023*

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in
35 mins*

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Academic Topics

Animals and plants 20%

Natural science 30%

Social science 40%

Humanity 10%



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Q1 to Q9 – 1 Pt

Q10 – 2 Pts

11 Points on each passage

33 Points on reading in total



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Keep asking yourself – what is this passage / paragraph talking about.

1. **Prediction:** use title and paragraph one as guidance
2. **Skimming:** capture the flow and main idea
3. **Reading:** follow the flow in each paragraph (use questions as tips)
4. **Problem solving:** go through each answer choice





Reading Sessions

Sentence

Flow of idea

Paragraph Structure

Prob solving

Mock Analysis

Types of passages

1. Question & answers
2. Comparison
3. Effect & causes
4. Classification

TPO1 - The origins of theater
TPO12 - Which Hand did they use?
TPO18 - The mystery of yawning



Questions

Answer 1 Description, pros & cons

Answer 2 Description, pros & cons

Answer 3 Description, pros & cons

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Infantile Amnesia

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How might this inability to recall early experiences be explained? The sheer passage of time does not account for it; adults have excellent recognition of pictures of people who attended high school with them 35 years earlier. Another seemingly plausible explanation—that infants do not form enduring memories at this point in development—also is incorrect. Children two and a half to three years old remember experiences that occurred in their first year, and eleven month olds remember some events a year later. Nor does the hypothesis that infantile amnesia reflects repression— or holding back— of sexually charged episodes explain the phenomenon. While such repression may occur, people cannot remember ordinary events from the infant and toddler periods, either.

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main idea:

intro to infantile amnesia

TPO 6-3 – Infantile Amnesia

Paragraph 1

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why is there infantile amnesia

theory1: passing of time
why it' s wrong

theory2: infants don' t form enduring memories
why it' s wrong

theory3: repression of sexually charged episodes
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TPO 6-3 – Infantile Amnesia

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Another explanation also is incorrect.

Nor does the hypothesis explain the phenomenon.

What purpose does paragraph 2 serve in the larger discussion of children's inability to recall early experiences?

- ☐ To argue that theories that are not substantiated by evidence should generally be considered unreliable
- ☐ To argue that the hypotheses mentioned in paragraph 2 have been more thoroughly researched than have the theories mentioned later in the passage
- ☐ To explain why some theories about infantile amnesia are wrong before presenting ones more likely to be true
- ☐ To explain why infantile amnesia is of great interest to researchers

All of the following theories about the inability to recall early experiences are rejected in paragraph 2 EXCEPT:

- ☐ The ability to recall an event decreases as the time after the event increases.
- ☐ Young children are not capable of forming memories that last for more than a short time.
- ☐ People may hold back sexually meaningful memories.
- ☐ Most events in childhood are too ordinary to be worth remembering.

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three promising theories about why there is infantile amnesia

related concepts & explanation



theory1:
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main idea:

promising theory 1 – brain's physiological maturation does not support memories requiring verbal descriptions (which is why people don't remember things from when they were infants)

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Paragraph 1

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Paragraph 2

three wrong theories about why there is infantile amnesia

Paragraph 3

promising theory 1: brain's physiological maturation doesn't support memories requiring verbal descriptions

What does paragraph 3 suggest about long-term memory in children?

- ☐ Maturation of the frontal lobes of the brain is important for the long-term memory of motor activities but not verbal descriptions.
- ☐ Young children may form long-term memories of actions they see earlier than of things they hear or are told.
- ☐ Young children have better long-term recall of short verbal exchanges than of long ones.
- ☐ Children's long-term recall of motor activities increases when such activities are accompanied by explicit verbal descriptions.

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what does language use have to do with infantile amnesia?

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hearing and tell stories should produce long lasting memories



theory2:
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main idea:

promising theory 2 – just hearing stories isn't enough for infants to produce enduring verbalizable memories

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Paragraph 3

promising theory 1: brain's physiological maturation doesn't support memories requiring verbal descriptions

Paragraph 4

promising theory 2: just hearing stories isn't enough for infants to produce enduring verbalizable memories

According to paragraph 4, what role may storytelling play in forming childhood memories?

- ☐ It may encourage the physiological maturing of the brain.
- ☐ It may help preschool children tell the difference between ordinary and unusual memories.
- ☐ It may help preschool children retrieve memories quickly.
- ☐ It may provide an ordered structure that facilitates memory retrieval.

Infantile Amnesia

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theory3 – related to incompatibilities between how infants encode info and how older people retrieve info

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exactly what is theory 3?

P5
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 P6 = theory 3

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mismatches between infant encoding and adult retrieving = incompatibilities

incompatibility1:
how you see things as an infant and as an adult is different

incompatibility2:
adults retrieve names of things, but infants can't speak

incompatibility3:
adults have knowledge of categories of events to help them remember, but infants don't have that knowledge

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main idea:

promising theory 3 – the way infants encode information is different from the way older children and adults retrieve info, which is why we can't remember things from infant times

eg. you stored the info by writing it down in a notebook; later, you try to retrieve the info by looking for it on your computer

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Paragraph 5 + 6

promising theory 3: the way infants encode information is different from the way older children and adults retrieve info

The phrase “**This view**” in the passage refers to the belief that

- ☐ the ability to retrieve a memory partly depends on the similarity between the encoding and retrieving process
- ☐ the process of encoding information is less complex for adults than it is for young adults and infants
- ☐ infants and older children are equally dependent on discussion of past events for the retrieval of information
- ☐ infants encode information in the same way older children and adults do

According to paragraphs 5 and 6, one disadvantage very young children face in processing information is that they cannot

- ☐ process a lot of information at one time
- ☐ organize experiences according to type
- ☐ block out interruptions
- ☐ interpret the tone of adult language

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the three promising theories are connected and support each other

how they are connected:

infant physiological immaturity = no memories requiring verbal description

no memories requiring verbal description = no verbal encoding

no verbal encoding as infant = no retrieval of infant memories in verbal way

conclusion

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main idea:

how the 3 theories are connected with each other

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Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the highlighted sentence in the passage? Incorrect choices change the meaning in important ways or leave out essential information.

- ☐ Incomplete physiological development may partly explain why hearing stories does not improve long-term memory in infants and toddlers.
- ☐ One reason why preschoolers fail to comprehend the stories they hear is that they are physiologically immature.
- ☐ Given the chance to hear stories, infants and toddlers may form enduring memories despite physiological immaturity.
- ☐ Physiologically mature children seem to have no difficulty remembering stories they heard as preschoolers.

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How does paragraph 7 relate to the earlier discussion of infantile amnesia?

- ☐ It introduces a new theory about the causes of infantile amnesia.
- ☐ It argues that particular theories discussed earlier in the passage require further research.
- ☐ It explains how particular theories discussed earlier in the passage may work in combination.
- ☐ It evaluates which of the theories discussed earlier is most likely to be true.

Look at the four squares[■] that indicate where the following sentence could be added to the passage

Where would the sentence best fit?

Other important occasions are school graduations and weddings.

Click on a square [■] to add the sentence to the passage. To select a different location, click on a different square.

Beginning

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There are several possible explanations why people cannot easily remember their early childhoods.

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Answer Choices

A.Preschoolers typically do not recall events from their first year.

C.Children recall physical activities more easily if they are verbalized.

E.The content of a memory determines the way in which it is encoded.

B.Frontal lobe function of the brain may need to develop before memory retrieval can occur.

D.The opportunity to hear chronologically narrated stories may help three-year-old children produce long-lasting memories.

F.The contrasting ways in which young children and adults process information may determine their relative success in remembering.