

Learner Outcomes

Unit 3 — Developmental Perspectives



Welcome to the Autism Navigator.

The learner outcomes for **Unit 3 – Developmental Perspectives** are described below.

Upon completing Unit 3 of this course, you will be able to:

- Describe the importance of everyday activities in the natural environments in which young children learn.
- Describe three ways that adults and the environment support development in young children.
- Identify the major stages of play development and the relationships between the development of play, language, and social interaction.
- Describe the communicative stages and major milestones from birth to first words.
- Describe the communicative stages and major milestones from first words to conversation.
- Define emotional regulation and its impact on attention and learning.
- Discuss the value of critical thinking, creativity and self-directed learning for growth and development.

Tips for a successful completion of the course:

- Your level of energy and attention may be greater earlier in the day rather than at the end of a long workday. You may want to schedule your sessions earlier in the day.
- Break the unit down into small sections. The units are organized into sections that begin with a question. Consider working through one question at a time.
- Keep a notebook nearby to jot down notes, thoughts, and questions.
- Print the unit audio script and highlight information that you find important.