Unit 4 Stages of Development Project

**Project Overview:**

Over the next several lessons, you and your classmates will work together to research the different theories on the stages of development as proposed by Sigmund Freud, Jean Piaget, Lawrence Kohlberg, Erik Erikson, and Carol Gilligan. This collaborative research project is designed to turn you into a true research psychologist! The final project is a Power Point presentation. It is due at the end of Unit 4, but each lesson from this point on will contain specific steps toward the completion of the project.

**Group Formation:**

Your teacher will form groups of three students. Each group will then choose roles. All five theories must be included in the final Power Point.

**Project Roles:**

There are two types of roles in this project.

**Researcher:** Two people will be researchers

**Researcher/Editor:** One person will be a researcher/editor.

**Researcher’s responsibilities:**

The two researchers will each choose two of the five theories in Lesson 4.0: Stages of Development. They will research their two theorists and outline the stages of development for each theory. Then they will develop PowerPoint slides for their two theories including 2 citations for each theory.

**Researcher/Editor responsibilities:**

The researcher/editor will choose one of the five theories on Stages of Development. He/she will research that theory and outline the stages of development and create slides for that theory including 2 citations. Each group member will submit information, but one person needs to compile the information into a presentation. The editor will take all of the information from group members and make one PowerPoint Presentation.

**Discussions: and Tasks**

Each lesson will have a Discussion and/or Task with specific instructions. The point value for each will depend on what is required.

**Elements of the Project:**

**Lesson 4.04: Introduction Discussion – 10 Points**

The first step in this project is the 4.04 Project Introduction Discussion.

* Your teacher will assign you to groups of three.
* You will introduce yourselves to each other on the **4.04 Project Introduction Discussion**.
* In your introduction should include your name, school, and grade.
* Among your group members you must decide who will be the **Researchers** (there will two in each group) and who will be the **Researcher/Editor** (one in each group). Read Unit 4 Stages of Development Project to understand each role.
* All five of the following theorists must be included in the final project: Sigmund Freud, Jean Piaget, Lawrence Kohlberg, Erik Erikson and Carol Gilligan.
* Responding to each other is how you will finalize who fills each role and who researches which theorist. Each theorist must be researched and no theorist is to be duplicated.

**Lesson 4.05: Project Outline – 20 Points**

For the second step in your Unit 4 Group Project, you will submit an outline of your research to the **4.05 Project Outline Dropbox**.

This first outline should include:

* The theorist
* The name of the theory
* The name of the stages for that theory
* **Two citations** for each theory.

If you are a **Researcher** then you will submit an outline for both theories you are researching on the same document.

**Lesson 4.06: – 4.06 Project Collaboration Discussion – 20 points**

The third step in the Unit 4 Project is to begin your collaboration through the Discussion Board.

There are several steps to this process.

1. You will submit your Power Point slides to the 4.06 Project Collaboration Discussion to be reviewed and evaluated by your fellow group members.

Be sure that your slides include all the elements required:

* Name the theory and person associated with the theory (one slide).
* Give the number and names of stages in the theory.
* Give one or two details about each stage.
* Include pictures and/or illustrations to make your presentation more interesting.
* Work cited. There must be two (2) citations for each theory included on the last slide.
1. Then you will download the 4.06 Project Collaboration Review, which will instruct you in how to review and evaluate your team members slides.
2. You will review and evaluate the slides of your team members according to the 4.06 Project Collaboration Review, then post your reviews on the 4.06 Project Collaboration Discussion. Remember that your goal is to make your overall project better, so make your comments constructive.
3. You will write a short reflective paragraph and submit it to the **4.06 Project Reflection Dropbox**.

Write a paragraph with your comments including the following information:

* In four to eight sentences give your comments on the work of BOTH people in your group.
* Give specific instructions to each member (by name) on what they can do to improve the quality and look of their slides.
* In 2-3 closing sentences explain your experience of working with groups in general and this group in particular. For example: Do you like group work? Do you find the work to equal out or do you feel like one or more people do/did the work? Do you find it educationally beneficial?

Lesson 4.07: **4.07 Project Final Discussion 10 points**

Each team member will submit their final Power Point slides to the 4.07 Project Final Discussion.

Group members will discuss the various elements and decide which slides to include in the final project.

The Researcher/Editor will compile the final product including the introduction slide and upload it to the **4.07 Project Final Discussion**.

Lesson 4.08: **4.08 Unit 4 Project** **40 Points**

Each team member should download the final product Slideshow, which the Researcher/Editor uploaded to the 4.07 Project Final Discussion.

Each member will then decide:

1. If they want to submit the final project AS IS (If this is the case simply upload it to the **4.08 Unit 4 Project Dropbox**

**OR**

2. If for ANY reason, you dislike the final project as is, you may make ANY changes you deem necessary and THEN upload and submit to the **4.08 Unit 4 Project Dropbox**