

# STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT

*Birth to two years is the sensorimotor stage: The child learns to interact with the world through grasping, crawling and walking.*

*Two to seven years is the pre-operational stage: Vocabulary grows rapidly and the child begins to reason and use abstract thinking.*

*Seven to 12 years is the concrete operational stage: Children can reason logically and can do some abstract thinking.*

*12 to 18 years is the formal operational stage: The adolescent is capable of using sophisticated abstract thinking.*

