

Article critique analysis essay



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SOWK 503-Fall 2013 Assignment #1: Article Critique: Twindalyn SOWK 503-Fall 2013 Assignment #1: Article Critique: The article “ Families as Navigators and Negotiators: Facilitating Culturally and Contextually Specific Expressions of Resilience” argues that resilience is dependent on a person’s ability to get proper resources that will help their wellbeing and their ability to effectively participate in social discourse that define which resources are contextually and culturally meaningful (Ungar, 2010) . In the book: Essentials of Human Behaviors reliance is defined as healthy development in the face of risk factors. The concept of resilience emerged primarily from studies of children who functioned well after being exposed to adverse conditions when psychopathology was expected.

The phenomenon of doing well in the face of adversity is now called resilience (Patterson, 2002). Resilience is a ‘ contextually specific and culturally biased construct’ because social and culture factors influence how we determine good and bad outcomes (Steller, nd). The main point the author of the article is making is that without resilience a family or individuals will not overcome whatever adversity affects their lives. This articles states; black children’s growth depends on different aspects of their lives that reflect the context of system marginalization in which they were raised. This is saying that black children’s identity comes from the environment that they are raised and that there are four factors that predict how resilient they will come to be.

The factors are (1) Critical mindedness that helps protect children from experiences of discrimination and facilitates a critique of existing social conditions (2) active engagement that includes argentic behavior in school,

at home, and with peers, such that children and adolescents proactively and positively impact their environment (3) flexibility that promotes adaptation to the cognitive, emotional,...