

Nature and nurture psy 240 essay

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Post 300 word response explaining the concepts behind the Pro and Pro nature perspectives Consider the following questions: a.) Why is it flawed to ask how much of a particular behavior is due to genetics and how much is due to experience? b.) Why is it appropriate to separate the contributions of genetics and experience when measuring the development of differences among individuals? answer: It is flawed to assume that a particular behavior is solely due to genetics. Behavior is controlled by nature and nurture responses. Genetics play a role because they can have a direct effect on one's patience level and cortisol responses to an issue or situation. Environmental genetics, or phenotypes can play a role in developing the functions of genes, but this has less effect than experience.

Genetics may be responsible for inheriting genes of anger issues and lack of control, but every person's affectance level of carrying such a gene will be different. Many times behavior is much more related to a person's upbringing and what values, morals, and ethics their guardians have taught them. Furthermore their behavior will also be melded by the actions and judgments of their peers. It is appropriate to separate the contributions of genetics and experience when measuring the development of differences among individuals because every individual carries different genes and is also raised differently. While the two factors will affect behavior, the combinations are infinite, and thus any interactions cannot truly be judged.

In the long end, behavior will most likely be controlled by experiential learning and by the consequences felt by their actions. **It is flawed to ask how much of a particular behaviour is due to genetics and how much is due to experience, because no behaviour is caused solely by genetics or

experience. Nature or nature can be a factor as well. How will we ever know what are the behaviours of genetics and what are the behaviours of experience? I don't think that's ever possible, so I can clearly say it is flawed to say how much of a behaviour is due to genetics or experience. Different people react in different ways, so to say because of 'x' genetic everyone is behaving this way would be wrong. Let's say for example, you wanted to say murders become the person's they are because of the genetics they inherited would be flawed. Yes we could say genetics from his/her's parent being a murder could be a contributing factor, however experience maybe as well a contributor.

But what do you say about those whose parents are murderers, and they don't grow up to be murderers what do you contribute that to? Mind set, genetic or experience. Behaviours such as that one could be based on the person's moral values, ethics and what they decide to do. In concluding different factors contribute to a person's behaviour, not only genetics or experience. *** It is important to separate the contributions of genetics and experience when measuring the development of differences among individuals because everyone is brought up differently.

And we all have different genetic's which makes us act differently in different situations. So we must separate what contribution experience has made to with an individual's development, and what contributions genetics have made.