Record Nr. UNINA9910808687803321 Portraits of pioneers in developmental psychology / / editors, Wade E. **Titolo** Pickren, Donald A. Dewsbury, Michael Wertheimer Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, : Psychology Press, 2012 **ISBN** 1-136-65316-3 1-280-65998-X 9786613636911 1-136-65317-1 0-203-80613-1 Edizione [1st ed.] xxviii, 323 p.: ill Descrizione fisica Altri autori (Persone) PickrenWade E DewsburyDonald A. <1939-> WertheimerMichael Disciplina 155.092/2 Soggetti Developmental psychology - History **Psychologists** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Arnold Gesell: the maturationist / Fredric Weizmann and Ben Harris -- 2. Florence L. Goodenough: developmental pioneer, innovator, and mentor / Ann Johnson -- 3. Heinz Werner: a differentiation theory of development / Jaan Valsiner -- 4. Helena Antipoff: a quest for democracy and human rights with the help of psychological science / Regina Helena de Freitas Campos -- 5. Charlotte Buhler : scientific entrepreneur in developmental, clinical, and humanistic psychology / William R. Woodward -- 6. Jean Piaget: theorist of the child's mind / Bernard C. Beins -- 7. Lev Vygotsky: philologist and defectologist, a sociointellectual biography / Anton Yasnitsky -- 8. Lois Barclay Murphy : a pioneer of positivity / Elizabeth Johnston -- 9. Roger Barker : a different kind of developmentalist / M.M. Scott -- 10. Robert W. White: a life in the study of lives / Suzanne C. Ouellette -- 11. Joseph McVicker Hunt: golden age psychologist / Wade E. Pickren -- 12. Sidney W. Bijou: Outstanding (and out standing) in his fields / Edward

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brings to life 16 developmental psychologists who made a significant contribution to their field. Written by noted scholars, each chapter provides a glimpse into the personal and scholarly lives of these innovative "pioneers". Some of the chapters are based on the contributor's personal acquaintance with a pioneer allowing for the introduction of previously unavailable information. Suggested Readings allow readers to delve deeper into the material and a tabular list of subjects and authors helps instructors supplement their courses in substantive areas of psychology with ease. The introductory essay prepares the reader for a deeper understanding of the contributions of each of the pioneers. Mamie Phipps Clark had a profound impact on the education of American children. Robert W. White pioneered a new approach to the study of persons across the lifespan. Lois Barclay Murphy's perspective on the strengths of developing children foreshadowed later developments in positive psychology. Florence Goodenough pioneered new testing methods for children. John Paul Scott was a pioneer in the field of behavior genetics. The book also highlights the many contributions of European pioneers: Jean Piaget, Charlotte Bühler, Heinz Werner, and Lev Vygotsky. Their contributions were carried forward by J. McVicker Hunt in the U.S. and Helena Antipoff in Brazil. Arnold Gesell's film studies of children's development remain a landmark accomplishment. Lawrence Kohlberg pioneered the study of moral development across the lifespan. Roger Barker's studies on aggression and leadership among children eventually led to the development of ecological psychology. Eleanor "Jackie" Gibson was famous for her work on the "visual cliff" and for her research on perception and development. Finally, Sidney Bijou had a long career delineating ways to improve the lives of children. Pickren's concluding essay draws connections between the pioneers and how they contributed to the advancement of the field. Intended as a supplementary text for undergraduate and/or graduate courses in the history of psychology and/or developmental, child, or lifespan psychology taught in psychology, education, and human development, this engaging book also appeals to those interested in and/or teaching these subject areas. Each of the 7 volumes in the Portraits of Pioneers Series contain different profiles bringing more than 140 of psychology's pioneers to life.