



Basic Characteristics of School-Agers

The work of school-Agers (5-12 year olds) is developing *Industry*.

- Are moving towards independence from adults
- Don't want, but still need, supervision
- Enjoy practicing and perfecting their skills
- Become obsessed with rules and fairness
- Have lots of energy for running and climbing
- Begin to think abstractly
- Can take another's point of view into account
- Enjoy group games, putting on plays, and other complex projects
- Can come up with creative solutions to many of their own disputes
- Enjoy collecting things
- May feel very self-conscious about their bodies
- Care a great deal about what their peers think, like and do
- Like time to be alone
- Engage in daydreaming