PSYCH 206: CHILD DEVELOPMENT

PSYCH 208: LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT

GLOBAL ASSIGNMENT

Recently a book called “Tiger Parenting: Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother” by Any Chua Chinese –American mother, a made a big splash in the press and on several talk shows. In her book Chua wrote about bringing up her daughters to excel academically and musically by using what many Americans described as cruel and harsh tactics. She advocated the use of these tactics to insure a successful future for all children and she said that it helped explain the high academic performance often seen in Asian American students. Some researchers in California decided to do a study to see if Tiger Parenting, as it was called, actually did exist, and if so what were the outcomes likely to be.

Please read the article cited below that can be found on the PsychArticles database at the library website. Then answer the True-False questions that follow.

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Tiger Parenting Quiz

1. The research study showed that the European style of parenting emphasizes the importance of academic achievement and self-esteem.
2. Supportive parenting where autonomy is granted and communication is encouraged is called Authoritative parenting.
3. Negligent parents do not try to control their children.
4. The classic parenting styles you read about in your textbook have less relevance for ethnic minority families.
5. It is now understood that researchers need to use multiple dimensions that include negatives as well as positives to define parenting styles.
6. Making children feel ashamed of their negative behavior is a way that many parents in most cultures get their children to conform to norms.
7. The children used in this study were toddlers.
8. It appears that there is a large gap between what parents and teens report of their parenting practices.
9. Chinese-American parents measure success by their children’s performance in school.
10. This was a longitudinal study.
11. There was no parent profile that met the study’s definition of tiger parenting.
12. A tiger parenting style is likely to result in a depressed adolescent.
13. A supportive parenting style is likely to result in children with a higher GPA than a tiger parenting style.
14. The sample of Chinese American families chosen for this study comes from a representative group of Chinese Americans in the United States.
15. The child’s own characteristics may play a very big part in the outcome of whatever parental style takes place.

Faculty Note: Quiz Answers

1. F
2. T
3. T
4. T
5. T
6. F
7. F
8. T
9. T
10. T
11. T
12. F
13. T
14. F
15. T