



Parenting Bell Ringers

Bell Ringers Week 1

- What does “a child is the belief that the world should go on” mean to you?
- Some people say it is unfair to bring a child into such a troubled world. What do you think?
- How have changes in the world affected the need to learn more about parenting?
- What are four basic responsibilities of parents?
- Why might this course be useful to people who may never become parents?

Bell Ringers Week 2

- How does becoming a parent often affect a man or woman's personal growth?
- What problems can a family encounter when a parent is not confident?

Bell Ringers Week 3

- When would teamwork skills be necessary for a parent?
- What is a role model?
- What parenting style is likely to give children the clearest idea of what behavior is allowed and what is not?
- Why is setting a good example such an important part of being a parent?
- If you become a parent one day, how would you go about addressing each of the needs in Maslow's Theory?

Bell Ringers Week 4

- 12/5- Describe three important skills needed when leading a family.
- 12/6- How is parenting readiness an advantage to couples and their children?
- 12/7- How does the media influence teen pregnancy?
- 12/8- What are five possible sources of help for teen parents?
- 12/9- What dilemma concerning sexual feelings do some teens face during puberty?

Bell Ringers Week 5

- 12/12- Why is the failure rate for teen marriages so high?
- 12/13- Why might a teen's parent react negatively if the teen becomes pregnant or is responsible for a pregnancy?
- 12/14- How can the lives of children be affected by having a teen parent?
- 12/15- Why is it difficult to pinpoint the time when fertilization can occur?
- 12/16- How is gender determined?

Bell Ringers Week 6

- 1/2- What is another name for biological parents?
- 1/3- What part does genetic counseling play in planning for a family?
- 1/4- What are three options a couple might have if they wish to delay a pregnancy?
- 1/5- What are three possible indications of pregnancy?
- 1/6- What typically happens at a woman's first prenatal appointment?

Bell Ringers Week 7

- 1/9- How much more food does an expectant mother need to consume daily than a woman who is not pregnant?
- 1/10- How can a prepared childbirth class reduce an expectant couple's anxiety?
- 1/11- What should parents look for in a pediatrician?
- 1/12- Why is prenatal leave so important to expectant parents?
- 1/13- How can a woman determine whether she has begun labor?

Bell Ringers Week 8

- 1/16- No School
- 1/17-How can a woman determine whether she has begun labor?
- 1/18-What is the purpose of contractions?
- 1/19- What are the five signs rated by the Apgar scale?
- 1/20-Why do doctors perform episiotomies?

Bell Ringers Week 9

- 1/23- How can new mothers and fathers adjust to parenthood physically and emotionally?
- 1/24 – An infant begins to develop depth perception at approximately how many months?
- 1/25- Why are sensory experiences important to brain development?
- 1/26- Describe how infants learn social skills.
- 1/27- What precautions should parents take when bottle-feeding an infant?

Bell Ringers Week 10

- 1/30- What moral lessons might begin during infancy?
- 1/31- How do infants begin to acquire language skills?
- 2/1- How should you introduce a new food to a child?
- 2/2- What items can parents make available to increase manual dexterity?
- 2/3- How can a parent keep fears from troubling a young child?

Bell Ringers Week 11

- 2/6- No School
- 2/7- Describe the parent's role in helping children resolve conflicts.
- 2/8- Briefly describe the four periods of intellectual development according to Piaget.
- 2/9- List qualities that make a book appropriate for a young child.
- 2/10- What can parents do to encourage a child's interest in writing?

Bell Ringers Week 12

- 2/13- What is symbolic thought and why is it important to intellectual growth?
- 2/14- What could you do to help a child learn new words?
- 2/15- Why should a parent be concerned about treating an allergy?
- 2/16- What educational opportunities can benefit a gifted child?
- 2/17- What positive steps can a parent take upon learning their child has a health condition or learning disability?