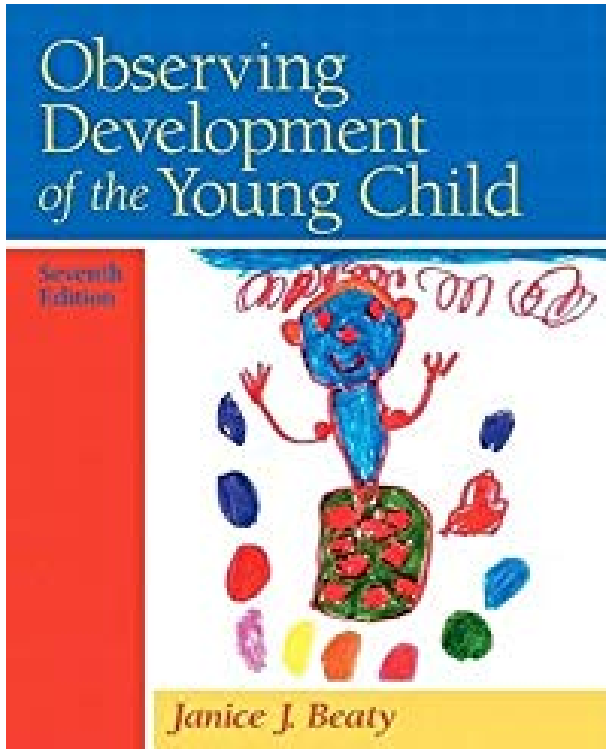


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Focuses on child development using a unique checklist to document each aspect of development. This book teaches readers how to observe, record, and interpret development of children ages 3 through 5. It also discusses what these children are like and how to support them in their development with exciting hands on activities. The text focuses on the six major aspects of child development: * Emotional * Social * Physical * Cognitive * Language * Creative Teachers can use the author's unique system of observation, The Child Development Checklist, to determine children's levels of development. This simple, self-teaching device is also used as an outline for chapters and their content. Strategies to support development If You Have Not Checked This Item: Some Helpful Ideas-This expanded feature in each chapter gives students specific suggestions for activities that will help children developmentally in areas not checked on the checklist. Includes coverage of all stages of development-Includes background research and practical activities to enhance development of each stage throughout the text. Provides a separate chapter on sharing observational data with parents (Chapter 14)--Provides a unique approach to involving parents in their children's development through child observations at home and developing collaborative portfolios with teachers and children in the classroom.