

Part 5 — Reading: True or False

Read the article. Then choose *True* or *False* for each statement.

Nature vs. Nurture

Where do people's personalities come from? Many people agree that our personalities are a combination of nature, or genetics from our parents, and nurture, or the social environment in which we grow up. But how much of our personalities come from nature and how much come from nurture?

To answer this question, scientists are very interested in studying identical twins who did not grow up together. In these cases, the twins have the same genetics (nature), but different environments (nurture).

These studies have produced interesting results. In many cases, twins who grew up in separate families have more similarities than differences. These twins often have the same careers, choose mates with similar traits, and prefer the same kinds of music. They are usually much more alike than the siblings they grew up with. So nature is clearly very important in developing a person's personality.

But what about nurture? Does this mean that it doesn't matter how people raise their children? No. Nurture also affects people's personalities. In fact, many scientists think that nurture is just as important as nature. Some studies suggest that environment is important in helping children fully develop their genetic potential.

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| Ex. This article is about introverts and extroverts. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 26. "Nurture" refers to inherited traits. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 27. Identical twins have the same genetics. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 28. Identical twins who grow up in different families are not similar. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 29. Nature is an important part of personality development. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 30. Scientists now agree that nurture is more important than nature. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Part 4 — Match the Words

Match the words on the left with the descriptions on the right.

Draw an arrow from each word to its description.

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| Ex. sibling → b • | • a. a person who likes to be with other people |
| 21. emotions • | • b. brother or sister |
| 22. extrovert • | • c. traits that we inherit from our parents |
| 23. personality • | • d. feelings, such as joy, anger, or sadness |
| 24. psychology • | • e. a person's usual behavior |
| 25. genetics • | • f. the study of how people think and behave |