

ERIKSON'S "EIGHT STAGES OF MAN"

Stage	Crisis	Approximate Age	Positive Resolution	Negative Resolution
1	Trust vs. Mistrust	First year	Sense of basic trust	Suspiciousness, fear, inwardness
2	Autonomy vs. Shame & Doubt	1 - 3 years	Sense of control over oneself and one's environment	Obsessiveness, rigidity, self-doubt
3	Initiative vs. Guilt	3 - 5 years	Imaginative, goal-directedness	Guilt, suspiciousness, lack of spontaneity
4	Industry vs. Inferiority	6 - 12 years	Sense of duty and accomplishment, competence	Sense of inadequacy, poor working habits, tendency to avoid competitive situations
5	Identity vs. Role Confusion	13 - 18 years	Feelings of unity and purposeness, self certainty	Inability to "fit in," self consciousness, confusion over values
6	Intimacy vs. Isolation	18 - 40 years	Ability to share love and closeness with another	Emptiness, loneliness, tendency to avoid intimacy
7	Generativity vs. Stagnation	40 - 60 years	Sense of productivity (work, family, self)	Nonproductiveness, lack of fulfillment of expectations
8	Ego Integrity vs. Despair	60+ years	Sense of satisfaction with one's life, acceptance of life cycle and life style	Inability to deal with impending death, lost faith in self and others, feelings of incompleteness about one's life