

in Adolescence



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Dressed To Protest

Dearborn High School junior Bretton Barber stands outside his school in Michigan on Tuesday wearing a T-shirt with the words "international terrorist" framing an image of President Bush. Barber wore the shirt to school Monday to express his anti-war position. School officials told him to take it off, turn it inside out or go home. He went home. The school said it is worried about inflaming passions at the school, where a majority of students are Arab-American.

Defining identity

Emerges in adolescence
self unity
feeling of continuity over time

Eríkson: need for confirmation by others Psycho-social theory Achievement versus díffusion

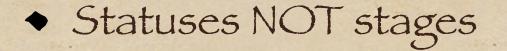
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Builds upon Eríkson's model
Interview study
experienced a crisis?
made initial commitments?
vocational, values

Identity statuses

moratorium (in crisis)
achievement (have had crisis)
foreclosure (no crisis)
diffusion (might have had crisis)

Important Reminder



The end!