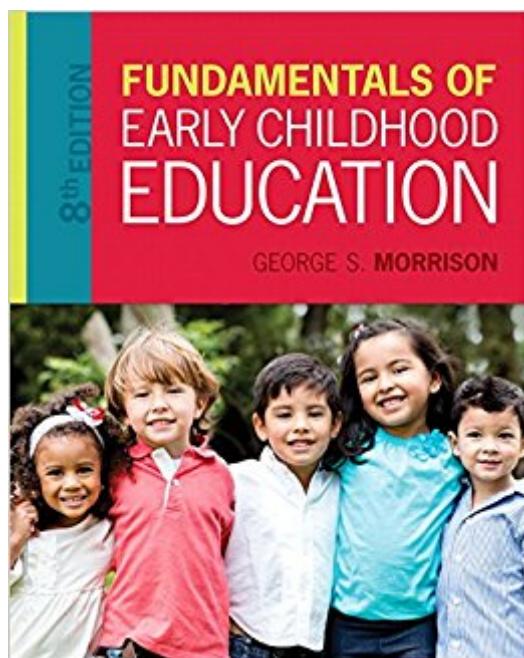


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# Fundamentals Of Early Childhood Education (8th Edition)



## Synopsis

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What it means to be an early childhood professional in today's world from renowned author and educator, George S. Morrison. This brief, reader-friendly look at the field of early childhood education has become a best-selling classic, appreciated for its practical, applied approach and its engaging chapter features that look at every aspect of the field of early childhood education—early childhood programs, professionals in practice, diversity strategies, technology issues, and ethical decision making. Young children's unique developmental and education needs are covered from birth through age eight in separate chapters on infants and toddlers, preschoolers, kindergartners, and the primary grades. The book's emphasis on professionalism throughout keeps the focus on meeting the needs of each and every child and providing up-to-date information and strategies to develop competent, informed early childhood professionals. Thoroughly revised and updated throughout, this edition offers a contemporary, accessible, user-friendly approach to all of the major topics, programs, and issues at the forefront of the field today. The Enhanced Pearson eText features embedded videos and assessments.

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their understanding of chapter content and concepts. End of Chapter Self-Check. Short-answer format Chapter Quizzes with objective feedback help students gauge their understanding of the fundamental concepts covered in each chapter. One question aligns to each of the chapter's Learning Outcomes and feedback helps reinforce understanding.

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I am an Interdisciplinary Studies, Education, Major currently and I was required to purchase this book. I bought it off of which was a great price and got here in a timely manner. I am 20 years old,

and I really can say I actually enjoyed reading this textbook. I didn't find it a hard read like many other textbooks. It had a lot of great information, from the various people who contributed to Education, to the Theories, helpful tips and hints, and just a bunch of great stuff that was worth taking notes on. I really would have liked to keep this, but because I am a college student my campus was buying back the book and I needed the money! I highlighted all over the place in this book and took notes from every single chapter. Through the textbook there are personal stories as well as "Technology Tie-Ins" that gives you tips on how to become up to date with the technology of today and how you can integrate that into your classroom. Some of the words they marked as vocabulary I found to be common sense, but other than that the vocabulary was great. It is neatly displayed in the outside margins on the pages which I liked very much so I could actually read the definition in the chapter and didn't have to go search for it in the back of the book. The print size was nice, didn't find it hard to read. It was neatly put together, just a great textbook I think. Any Early Childhood teacher or teacher in training should get this book! It was very informative and had lots of great tips on things to do in the classroom and how to include parents, the community, and your students. I also liked how it said that the focus in school is a lot on the standardized tests (which I don't agree on) but that if you are a great teacher, you will FIND ways to make learning fun and also relevant!

Rented this book for a class. Although its a very specific read for early childhood education, it is really well written. Not a dry read at all

Well written, easy to read and find information. Good for future reference on Early Childhood Fundamentals and to share with other teachers.

Amazing thank you very helpful! Highly recommended!Renee (Rivki) SilverbergAuthor of Understanding Children and Families with Autism Spectrum Disorders  
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