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Psychoanalytic Theories of Motivation

- classic approach: dualistic drive theory
- neo-analytic approach: several independent drives
- current approach: independent motivational systems

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- 1. physiological regulation
- 2. (attachment)
- 3. exploration / assertion
- 4. aversion / aggression
- 5. sensual / sexual

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Solitary Cooperative Parenting Parenting

(Great Apes)

Parenting (Marmosets, Humans)

uninterrupted physical contact with mother for months

physical contact often interrupted

hostile reaction to any approaching other

friendly reaction to familiar other

no holding by others

frequent holding by others

no feeding by others

feeding by others common

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evolutionary basics making cooperative parenting indispensable / selective advantage

- 1. short sequence of births
- 2. multiple births
- 3. demanding offspring, high caloric requirements
- 4. late sexual maturity, late separation
- 5. long postfertile lifespan of females

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mandatory survival skills for a human baby

- 1. win the heart and mind of mother and others
- 2. read the other's feelings, thoughts, wishes and intentions
- 3. make the others read your feelings, thoughts, wishes and intentions
- → communicate
- → get social
- → be altruistic (help, comfort, share)

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Therapeutic Factors, non-specific

- 1. Relief, Catharsis
- 2. Emotional Reattunement
- 3. Expansion of Consciousness

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Therapeutic Factors, specific for group setting

- 1. Universality
- 2. Exchange of Information
- 3. Cohesiveness, Belonging
- 4. Corrective Recapitulation of the primary Family Experience
- 5. Imitation, Identification, Modeling, interpersonal Learning
- 6. Development of socializing Techniques, Mirroring
- 7. Approach-Separation-Rapprochement
- 8. Enacting Conflicts in intimate Proximity
- 9. Inspiration of "Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité"
- 10. Existential Insights



