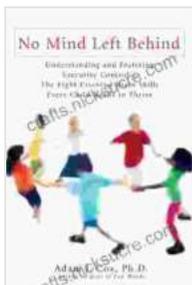


Understanding and Fostering Executive Control: The Eight Essential Brain Skills

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The eight essential brain skills that make up executive control are:

1. **Attention:** The ability to focus and sustain attention on a task.
2. **Memory:** The ability to store and retrieve information.
3. **Planning:** The ability to develop and carry out a plan.
4. **Decision-making:** The ability to weigh options and make decisions.
5. **Impulse control:** The ability to resist temptations and impulses.

6. **Self-monitoring:** The ability to monitor one's own thoughts and actions.
7. **Cognitive flexibility:** The ability to switch between different tasks or perspectives.
8. **Working memory:** The ability to hold information in mind while working on a task.

Executive control is a complex set of skills that develop over time. Children begin to develop executive control skills in early childhood, and these skills continue to develop throughout adolescence and into adulthood.

There are a number of things that parents and educators can do to help children develop strong executive control skills. These include:

- Providing a structured environment with clear expectations.
- Encouraging children to practice self-control.
- Helping children to develop problem-solving skills.
- Teaching children about the importance of planning and decision-making.
- Providing opportunities for children to practice executive control skills in everyday life.

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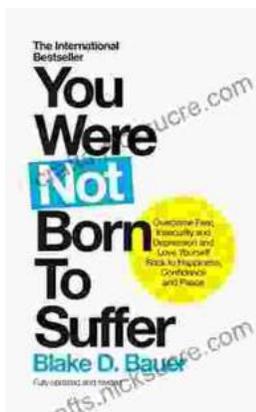


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