**BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care**

Cognitive development is a child’s ability to learn and solve problems. Jean Piaget was a psychologist who studied the behaviour and learning of children.

He believed that there are four stages of intellectual development that unfold over a child’s early life span.

1. Research Piaget’s stages of cognitive development and the development of schemas and how he used his tests of conversation. Describe the four stages of cognitive development and give examples of what occurs within them?
2. Give examples to show to what extent do you think his theory may be used in explaining children’s thoughts and actions?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jt3-PIC2nCs>

1. Explain how the following terms link to Piaget’s cognitive development – abstract logical thinking, egocentric thinking and concrete logical thinking.
2. Research the following Organisations and write up what their main role is in a useful information leaflet:

National Health Service (NHS)

Department of Health (DH)

National Institute for Care Excellence (NICE)

Health and Safety Executive (HSE)

You are to note the sources you use for your research as you will return to these in future. Be very careful **not to just copy and paste your notes**, write up your work in your own words unless directly quoting in the correct way.