

- Iona Opie argues that childhood is not disappearing and there is still separation between children and adults.

The globalisation of western childhood

- Child liberationists argue that modern western childhood is oppressive and children today are subject to adult authority. Also, far from disappearing, western notions of childhood are being globalised.

Contradictory trends – the reconstruction of childhood?

- Sue Palmer: phrase “Toxic Childhood” i. E rapid technological and cultural changes” have damaged children’s physical, emotional and intellectual development. These changes range from junk food, computer games etc
- Julia Margo and Mike Dixon state that the UK tops the league for obesity, self harm, drug and alcohol abuse.

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