

Hierarchy of Social Development

LEVEL D – Democracy (highest level)

Develops self-discipline

Demonstrates initiative

Displays responsibility

Does good because it is the right thing to do

The motivation is **INTERNAL**.

The term "Democracy" is used because democracy and responsibility are inseparable. Motivation at this level brings the most satisfaction and is the major contributor to healthy self-esteem.

LEVEL C – Cooperation/Conformity

Considerate

Cooperates

Complies

Conforms

The motivation is **EXTERNAL**.

LEVEL B – Bullying/Bossing

Bosses others

Bothers others

Bullies others

Breaks laws and makes own standards

Must be bossed to behave

This level is characterized by a lack of impulse control, a lack of consideration for others, and by displaying inappropriate behaviors.

When behaving at this level the young are sending the message, "Control us because we are not capable of controlling ourselves."

LEVEL A – Anarchy (lowest level)

Absence of order

Aimless and chaotic

Absence of government

This level is characterized by chaos, being out of control, or unsafe.

Anarchy is the fundamental enemy of civilization.