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Nurture is usually defined as the process of caring for an organism as it grows, usually a human.^{[1][2]} It is often used in debates as the opposite of "nature", ^[a] whereby nurture means the process of replicating learned cultural information from one mind to another, and nature means the replication of genetic non-learned behavior.^[3]

Nurture is important in the <u>nature versus nurture</u> debate as some people see either nature or nurture as the final outcome of the origins of most of humanity's behaviours. There are many agents of socialization that are responsible, in some respects the outcome of a child's personality, behaviour, thoughts, social and emotional skills, feelings, and mental priorities.^[1]

Notes

a. Such as the nature versus nurture debate

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