**Research into Individual Differences in Attachment**

**Ainsworth – Evaluation**

Huge amounts of information quickly

For example, other research into attachment types often takes a longitudinal approach which can take months/years.

This means that the Strange Situation allows infants to be categorised in a short space of time.



Ethical issues

Lack of ecological validity

For example,

This means that certain aspects of the Strange Situation may be considered unacceptable

This is a weakness because...

For example, Main & Solomon identified a 4th attachment type (Disorganised attachment) for babies who did not convincingly fit into Ainsworth’s typography.

This means that

This is a weakness because it suggests that the study was unsuccessful at classifying all infants.

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