Live Learning TM

When every Learner has a Tablet and Internet connection

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Three Questions for this age?

What does it mean to know (something)?

How does a learner know that he has learnt (what he set out to learn)?

What are the attributes of 'an educated person' in the 2nd half of the 21st Century?



Goals / Objectives of Education

- Helping the learner to be able to rise to the full height as a human being.
- Making the learner a "well educated person" for the latter half of the 21st century.
- "Awakening the learner within"
- Remove learning phobias
- When the student(learner) is ready, the teacher will appear

The Future is Completely Different from the Past

- In the past, educated persons have demonstrated different knowledge and skill sets.
- I have been exploring what would be the attributes of an 'Educated Person' in the future.
- Some research led me to views of leading Institutions (Harvard and Princeton) and thought leaders on the same.
- Oliver Van Demille's [American author and Educator] 'A Thomas Jefferson Education' included Harvard's list, in addition to two others.



"In 5 years from now, the best education will come from the web."

— Bill Gates

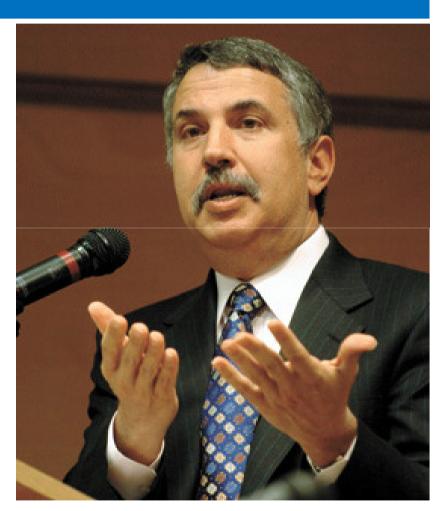


But why?

- He believes the web is where people will be learning in five years from now, not Colleges and University.
- During his chat he said: Five years from (6th August 2010) now on the web for free you'll be able to find the best lectures in the world. It will be better than any single University.
- Gates' reasoning is based on the assumption that education away from the classroom should count as credit. So if MIT release courses on the web, a student should be able to study them at home and get credit for doing so.

Thomas Friedman: Author and Columnist

Globalisation and Information Technology revolution have gone to a whole new level. Thanks to Cloud Computing, robotics, 3G wireless connectivity, Skype, Google, Facebook, Linked in, Twitter, the iPad and cheap Internet enabled Smartphones, the world has gone from connected to hyper-connected. This is the single most important trend in the world today.



Thomas Friedman

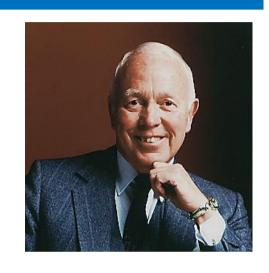
A Consensus of Opinions

Completely new tools, skills and competencies are required to succeed in today's complex, connected, information abundant, fast changing world

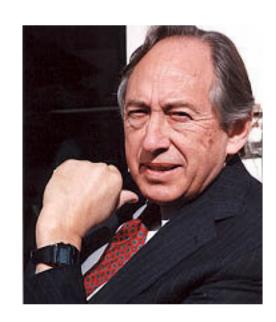


Some more Thought Leaders

 "Learning how to Learn is life's most important skill" — Tony Buzan, originator of Mindmaps



- The illiterates of the 21st Century will not be those who cannot read or write, but those who cannot, learn, unlearn and relearn"
 - Alvin Toffler , American author and futurist



Harvard's list of 10 Skills of an Educated Person

- 1. The ability to define problems without a guide.
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- 2. The ability to ask hard questions which challenge prevailing assumptions.
- The ability to quickly assimilate needed data from masses of irrelevant information.
- 4. The ability to work in teams without guidance.
- 5. The ability to work absolutely alone.

Harvard's list...continued

6. The ability to persuade others that your course is the right one.



- The ability to conceptualize and reorganize information into new patterns.
- 8. The ability to discuss ideas with an eye toward application.
- The ability to think inductively, deductively and dialectically.
- 10. The ability to attack problems heuristically.

Princeton's List of Skills

 The ability to think, speak, and write clearly.



- The ability to reason critically and systematically.
- The ability to conceptualize and solve problems.
- The ability to think independently.
- The ability to take initiative and work independently.
- The ability to work in cooperation with others and learn collaboratively

Princeton's List...continued

 The ability to judge what it means to understand something thoroughly.



- The ability to distinguish the important from the trivial, the enduring from the ephemeral.
- Familiarity with the different modes of thought (including quantitative, historical, scientific, and aesthetic.)
- Depth of knowledge in a particular field.
- The ability to see connections among disciplines, ideas and cultures.
- The ability to pursue life long learning.

Multiple Roles of the Teacher

- Curator of existing learning resources
- Creator of new appropriate content/APPs
- Mentor
- Coach
- Motivator
- Guided Self help
- Helping the Learner to learn
- Developing an enquiring mind



Gagne's 9 Events of Instruction

- Gain attention
- Inform learner of objectives
- Stimulate recall of prior learning
- Present stimulus material
- Provide Learner Guidance
- Elicit Performance
- Provide Feedback
- Assess Performance
- Enhance Retention and Transfer



The Learning Cycle of an Enquiring Mind

- Asking the Right Question (s)?
- Seeking Information
- Analyzing Information
- Organizing Information
- Presenting Information
- Persuading others about one's views
- Reflecting & Raising New Questions



Asking Questions is the First Step

- Learners have to be aware of their lack of relevant knowledge and be prepared to explore the area of their ignorance with suitable questions and participation by other learners in the group.
- Hence questions raised by the group are very important.



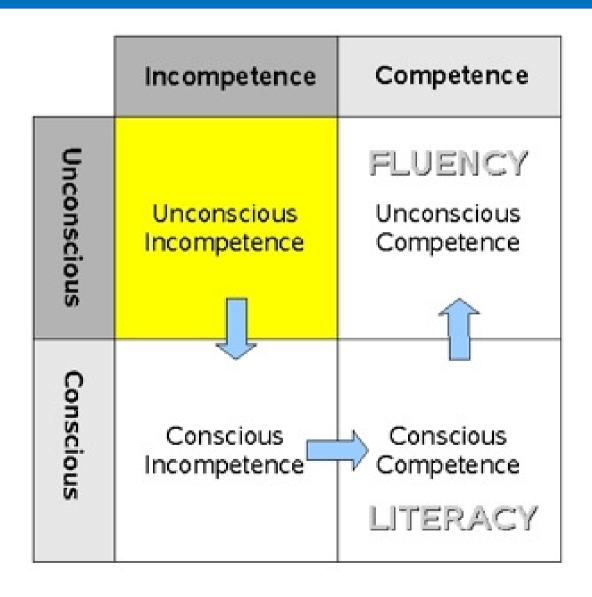
Asking the Right Question (s)?

Taxonomy of questions::

- "closed" questions:
 - who?
 - what?
- "objective" questions:
 - how much or how many?
- "relative" questions:
 - where
 - when
- "open questions
 - why?
 - how?



Developing Expertise



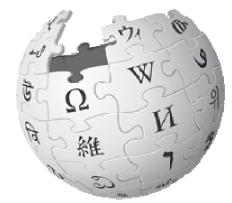
A few Tools for seeking information

Search Engines: Google, Yahoo, Bing, Wolfram Alpha

- Wikis: Wikipedia, wikieducator
- Youtube, Ted talks, free sources
- Educational Apps
- Social Media: Facebook, Twitter
- Khan Academy







Analyzing Information

- Quantitative Information: Analytics
- Qualitative Information: Creative & Critical process
- Summarise & Consolidate Information
- Analysis of Similarities
- Analysis of Differences
- Exception and Anomalies



Organizing Information

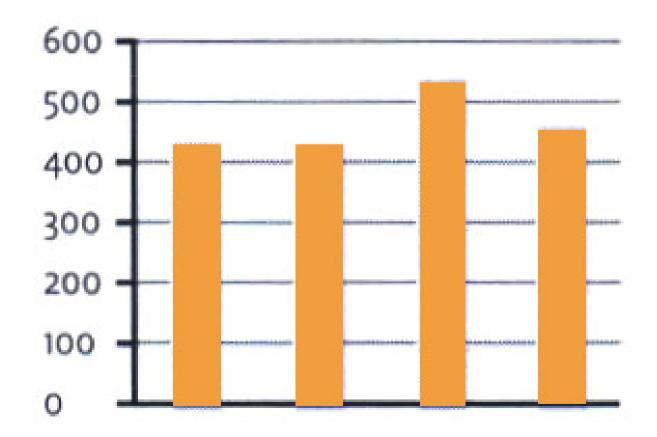
Visual Organisation

Conceptual Organisation



Bar Chart

 To show frequency or quantity using rectangles which are the same width, but different heights.

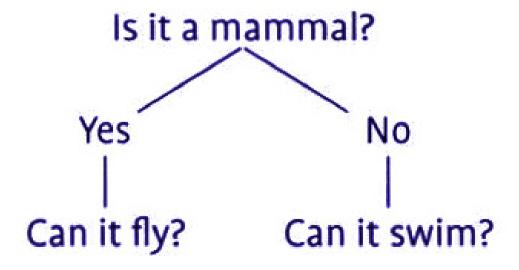


Binary Key

 To divide information into two parts using a series of questions, each of which has only two possible answers

Language:

closed questions



Carroll Diagram

 To sort yes / no information according to two sets of opposite criteria

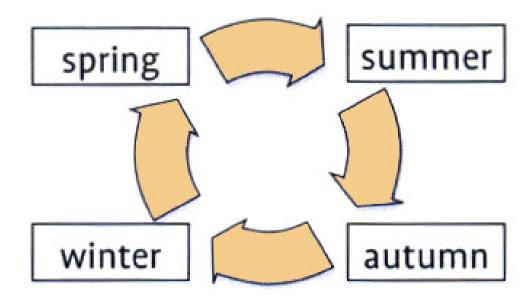
Language:

for example, such as subject vocabulary

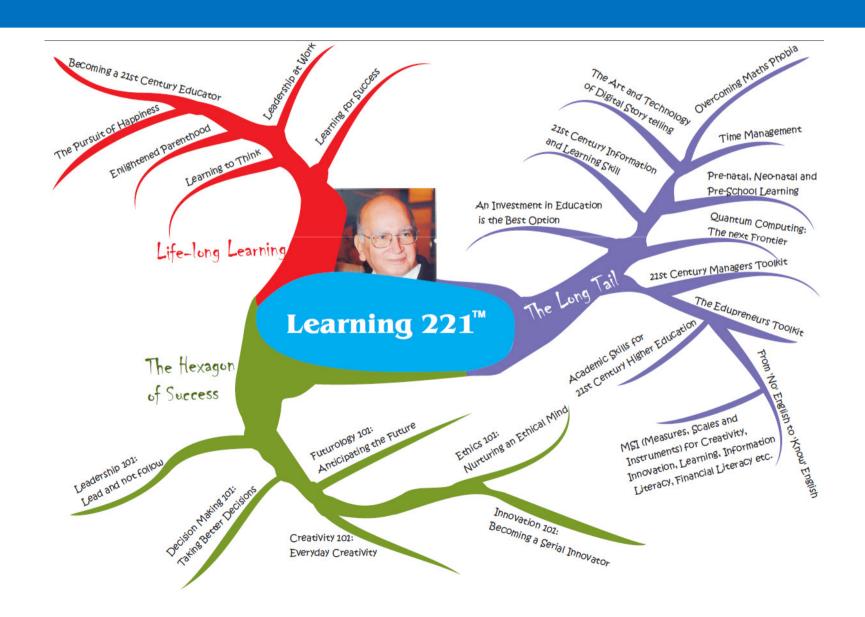
_	living	non-living
natural	tree	stone
manufactured		computer

Cycle

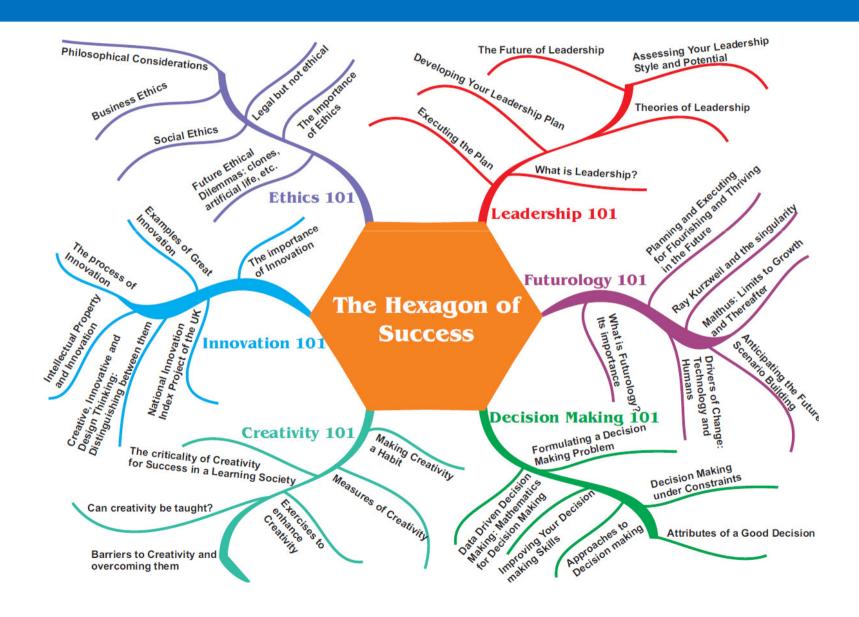
- To show a series of events which happen again and again in the same order
- Language :
 - then, next, after that, later



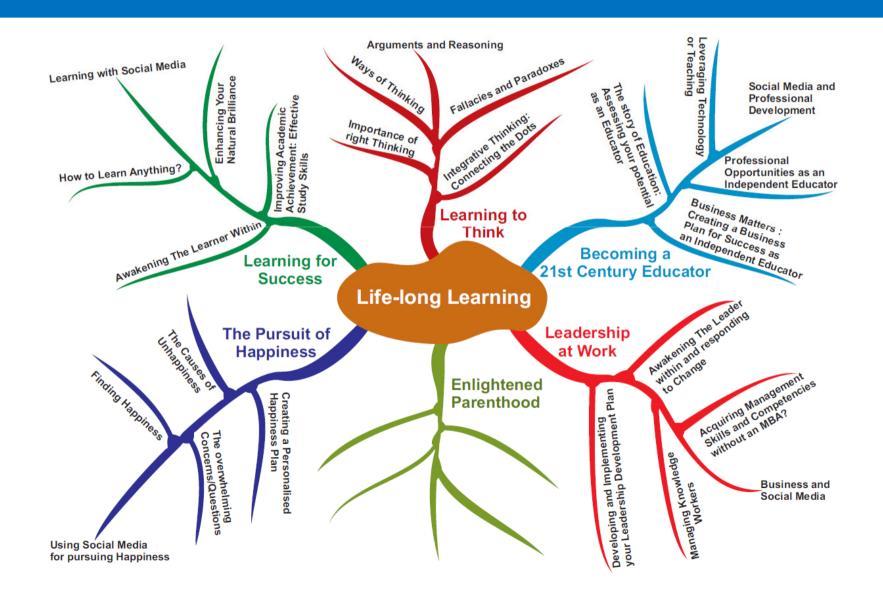
Mind-map



Mind-map (cont...)

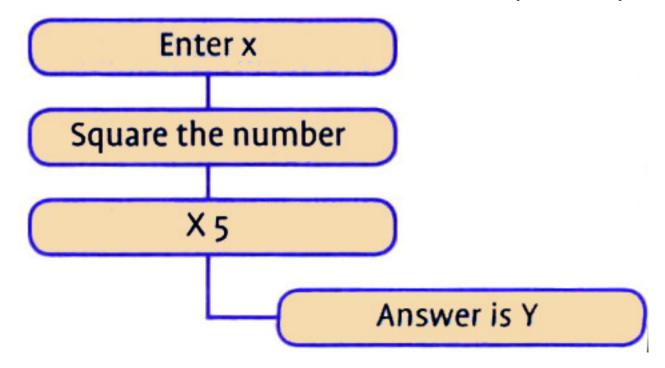


Mind-map (cont...)



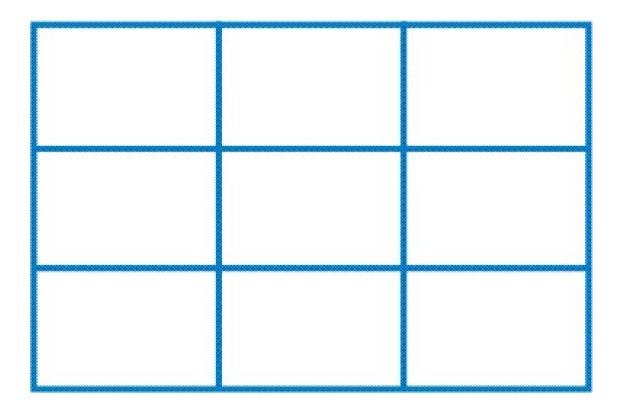
Flow Diagram or Flow Chart

- To show the order of a process or the order of how decisions are made
- Language:
 - then, next, after that, later, eventually, finally



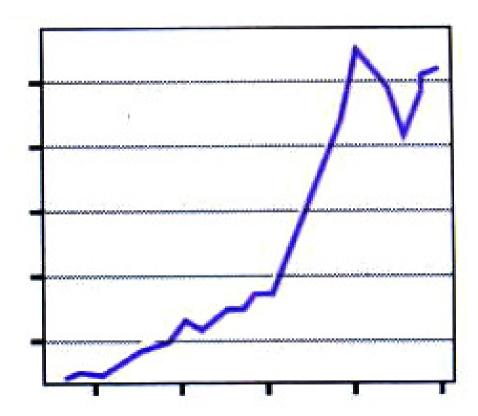
Grid (squares set out in row and columns)

To show locations of places, e.g., on maps



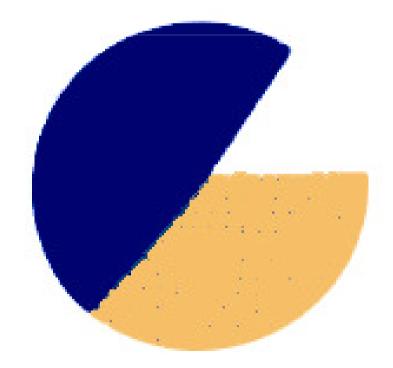
Line Graph

To show a trend or data using X and Y axes



Pie Chart

 To show different amounts or frequencies as parts of a circle

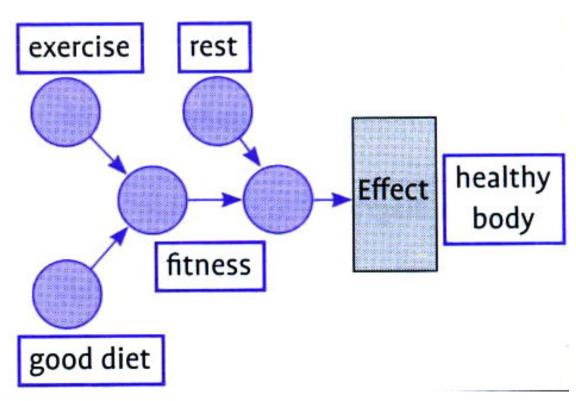


Process / cause-effect diagram

 To show a cause-effect network which leads to a specific outcome or to show a sequence of steps leading to a product

Language:

 As a result, because of, therefore, so

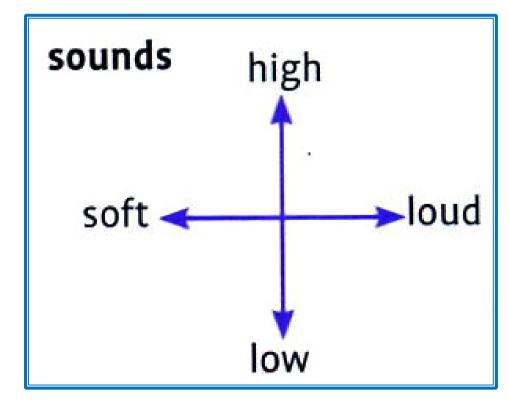


Quadrants

 To show connections between concepts, e.g., a sound can be high and soft, high and loud, low and soft, low and loud; sounds can also vary within these quadrants

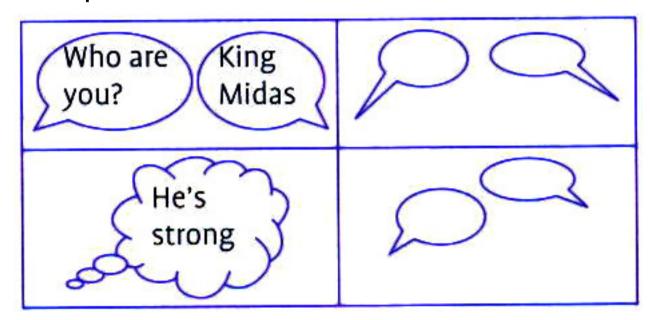
Language:

and, but not, quite, not very



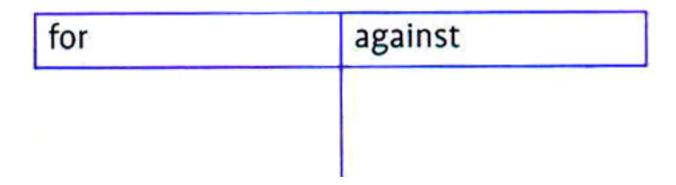
Storyboard

- To plan and write a draft of events in a story, sometimes with speech and thought bubbles
- Language:
 - Direct speech



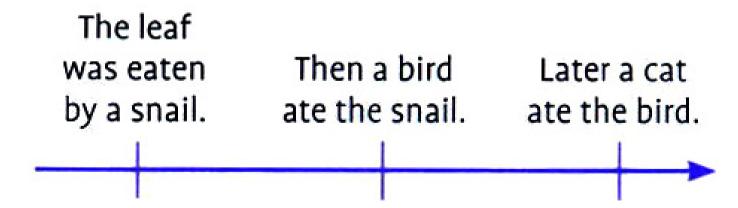
T-chart

- To show two sides of a topic such as:
 - For and against an argument; the advantages and disadvantages of something; facts and opinions



Time-line

- To show event, usually in chronological order
- Language:
 - Dates, times, notes



Tree Diagram

To classify words and show their relationships, often with examples

Language:

under, below, above, at the top, on the same level, an example is

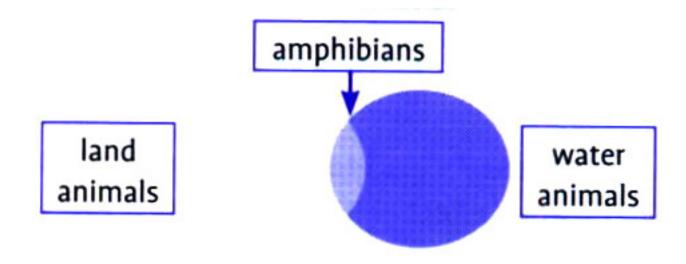


Venn Diagram - 1

 To show similarities and differences – similarities are in the intersection between the circles: differences are in the parts of the circles which do not intersect

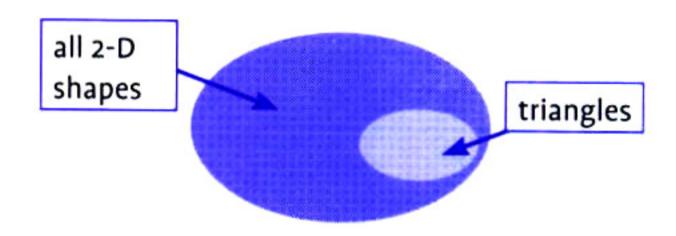
Language:

such as, the same, different



Venn Diagram-2

- To show part of a larger group
- Language:
 - subject vocabulary



Presenting Information

- Presenting facts.
- Presenting Concepts.
- Describing Processes/ Procedures
- Developing a theory.
- Narrative as story.
- As a game.



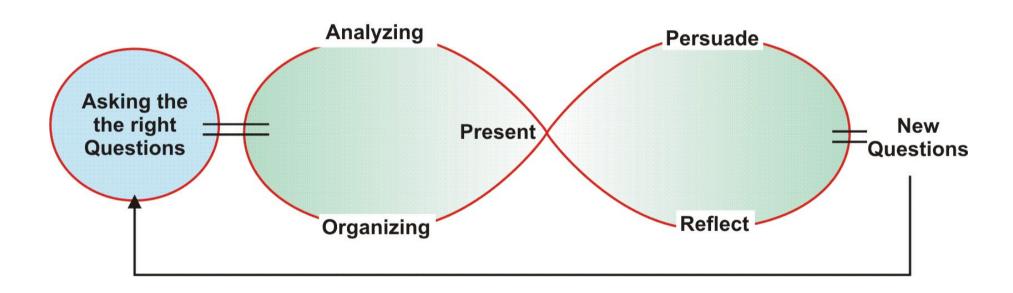
Persuasion

- Authority
- Scarcity (preciousness)
- Likeability
- Consistency
- Social Acceptability
- Reciprocity

Reflecting & Raising New Questions

This additional element emphasizes the point that "great questions" should evoke thoughtful Reflections while considering the current problem, the desired goal, designing strategies, developing action or implementation plans, or executing action steps that are components of the implementation plan.

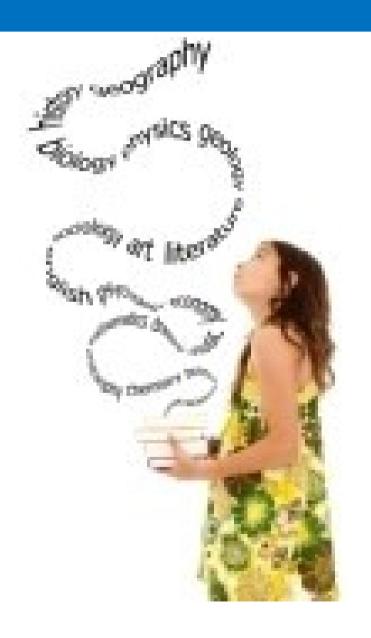
The Live Learning Cycle



Tell me

 Excite me about what I am going to learn, and describe it in clear terms, and then tell me about it.





Show me

- Videos
- Demos
- Animations
- Pictures
- Images
- Diagrams
- Mindmaps



Let me

Give me tasks to provide evidence of my learning



Tell me more

Give me feedback for me to improve my learning



Show me more

Extensions and Applications



Let me explore

 Let me find out more on my own and also reflect upon my learning



Traditional Learning which can benefit from LiveLearningTM

- Mathematics : expansion of Sin(x)
- Physics: Finding the radius of the earth by lying on a beach
- Chemistry:
- Geography: exploring Equinoxes
- History:
- English Literature: Polonius in Hamlet

Emerging Innovations in Education: Horizon Report (2011-2012)

- Cloud Computing (1-2 years)
- Mobile Devices (1-2 years)

- Game Based Learning (2-3 years)
- Open Content (2 3 years)

- Learning Analytics (4-5 years)
- Personal Learning Environments (4-5 years)

Examples of Completely Open Ended Current Concerns

- Solar Storm May 2012 ?
- FDI in retail in India?
- How do I make a good investment?
- Whether the Euro can be saved?
- When is Nuclear Power a good option?
- Is a large population, a liability or an asset?
- What happens when machine intelligence surpasses natural human intelligence?
- How can I make my website more popular?

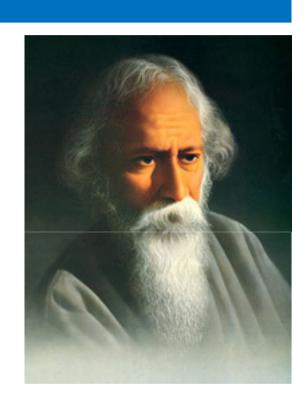
Inspiration from Rabindranath Tagore

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high Where knowledge is free Where the world has not been broken up into fragments By narrow domestic walls

Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards
perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way

Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit

Where the mind is led forward by thee Into ever-widening thought and action Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.



Thank you!

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