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Using Principles Of Experiential Learning To Promote Effective Learning Among English Language Learners



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Session Duration: 45min

Brief Abstract:

With Experiential Learning in the ESL (English as a Second Language) classroom, diversity mandates a universal approach that features creative discovery and reflection as tools to deeper learning. This "Discovery Session" will review concepts of Experiential Learning applied to the ESL classroom.



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Background of Experiential Learning

60's Shift

Behaviorism

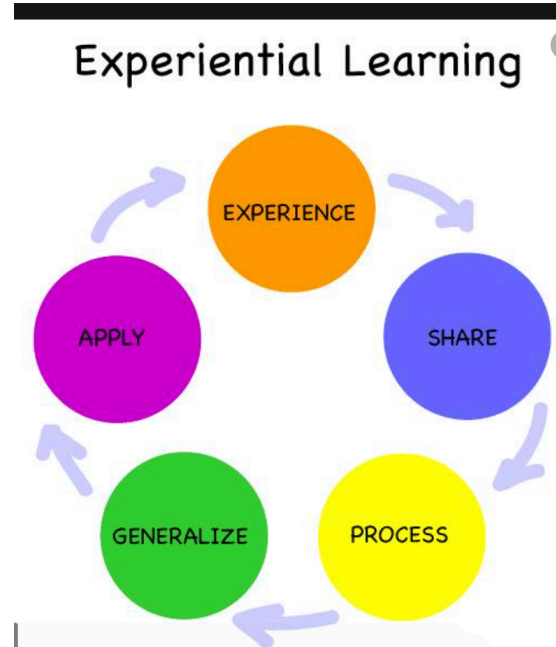
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Travers' "Essentials of Learning"

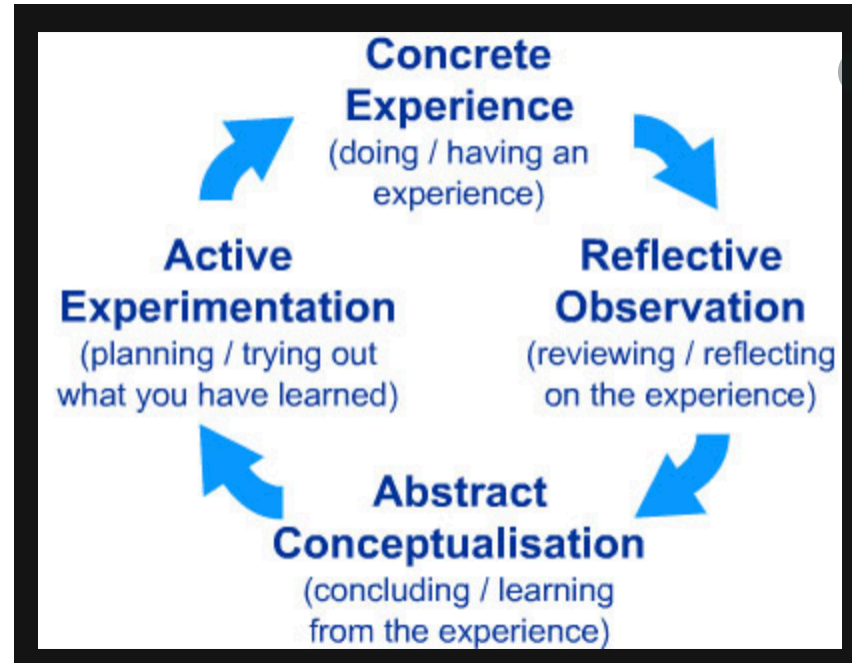
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- Learning brings about increase in knowledge. (knowing a lot)
- Learning is memorizing. (storing information for easy recall)
- Learning is about developing skills and methods, and acquiring facts that can be used as necessary.
- Learning is about making sense of information, extracting meaning and relating information to everyday life.
- Learning is about understanding the world through reinterpreting knowledge.

Mezirow, Freire and others



Experiential Learning Theory - Kolb

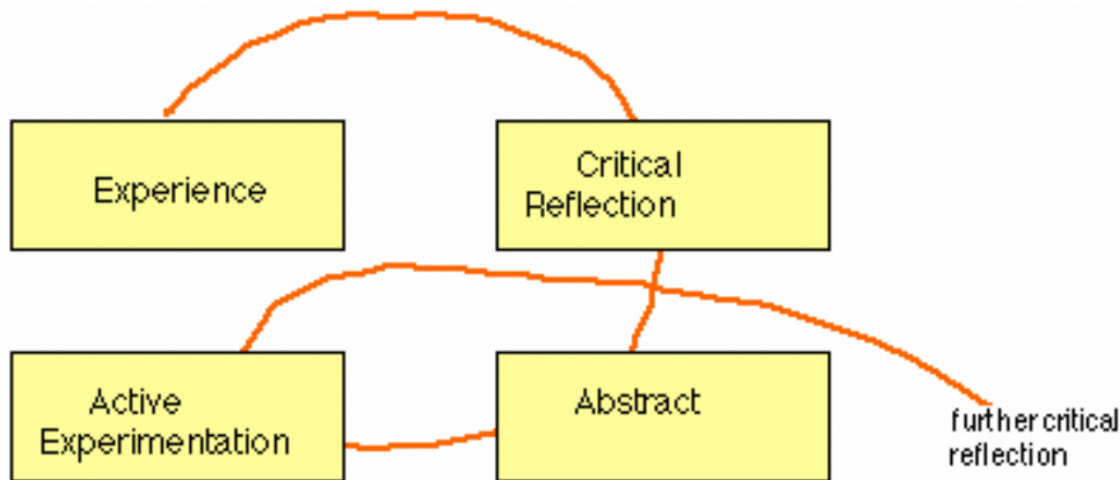


Figure 1. Experiential learning cycle

Learning Style Inventory

Activists

Reflectors

Pragmatists

Theorizers

What is Experiential Learning? (ExpL.)

- Learner reflection
- Current learning experience related to past and future experience
- Implications of experiential learning to second language acquisition (SLA), especially in relation to ESL (English as a Second Language)

What is ESL?

- English as a Second Language
- ESOL, TESOL
- U. S. - 22% of students - no English at home; rise in student numbers, not educational quality
- Stages of SLA (Second Language Acquisition)

STAGES

ExpL. Stages:

- Exposure
- Participation
- Internalization
- Dissemination

ESL Stages of SLA:

- Pre-, Early Production,
- Speech Emergence
- Intermediate Fluency
- Advanced Fluency

Experiential Learning (ExpL) and ESL Phases

- ExpL - students actively participating in learning process + reflection
- ESL – students cooperatively engaged, motivated + reflection;

Experiential Learning - Exposure

- ExpL - Exposure
- ESL – introduction of topic; building of enthusiasm, use of realia

Experiential Learning - Participation

- ExpL - Participation
- ESL – learner participation through communication, peer-guidance, role-playing, time-line, TPR, teaching by doing

Total Physical Response - TPR

TPR – Total Physical Response: a language teaching method built around

- coordination of speech and action
- physical (motor) activity.
- students' connecting action to language
- focus on objectives,
- teach to students' understanding
- leading to better retention - visual, kinesthetic audio;

Experiential Learning - Internalization

- ExpL - Internalization
- ESL – reflection is facilitated by teacher; think about how experienced the participation; adaptability – multiple ways to teach, confirm understanding; differentiation

Experiential Learning - Dissemination

ExpL - Dissemination

- ESL – after reflection, student associates learning with real-world, leading to application in future

Role of the educator

ExpL - Experiential
learning – untraditional
role – not traditional
teacher-as-expert

ESL - ESL teacher –
already in this role of
facilitator, guide and
helper.

Teacher Prompts for SLA Stages

Fig. 2.1. Sample Teacher Prompts for Each Stage of Second Language Acquisition.

[Krashen, S. D., & Terrell, D. (1983). The natural approach: Language acquisition in the classroom. Hayward, CA: Alemany Pres;
<http://www.ascd.org/publications/books/108052/chapters/The-Stages-of-Second-Language-Acquisition.aspx>]

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ESL- Strategies for Teachers

- Visual: show, diagrams, pictures, modeling, finished product
- Realia
- More group work - less teacher-led, practice with peers, lower-risk setting
- Communicate, wait time
- "Silent period"
- Scaffolding with native language
- Culturally unique vocabulary
- Use sentence frames
- Pre-teaching
- Knowing about cultural background of students.
- multiple modalities
- Respect
- Productive language

Conclusion

Both approaches:

- Elicit institutional and pedagogical response.
- Address real-world skills
- Lead to success in the classroom – needed as numbers of English Learners steadily rise in the schools
- Feature REFLECTION - crucial to both

Reflection

R E F L E C T I O N:

Please put your responses to the following prompt into the Chat, and we'll debrief after the Reflection period.

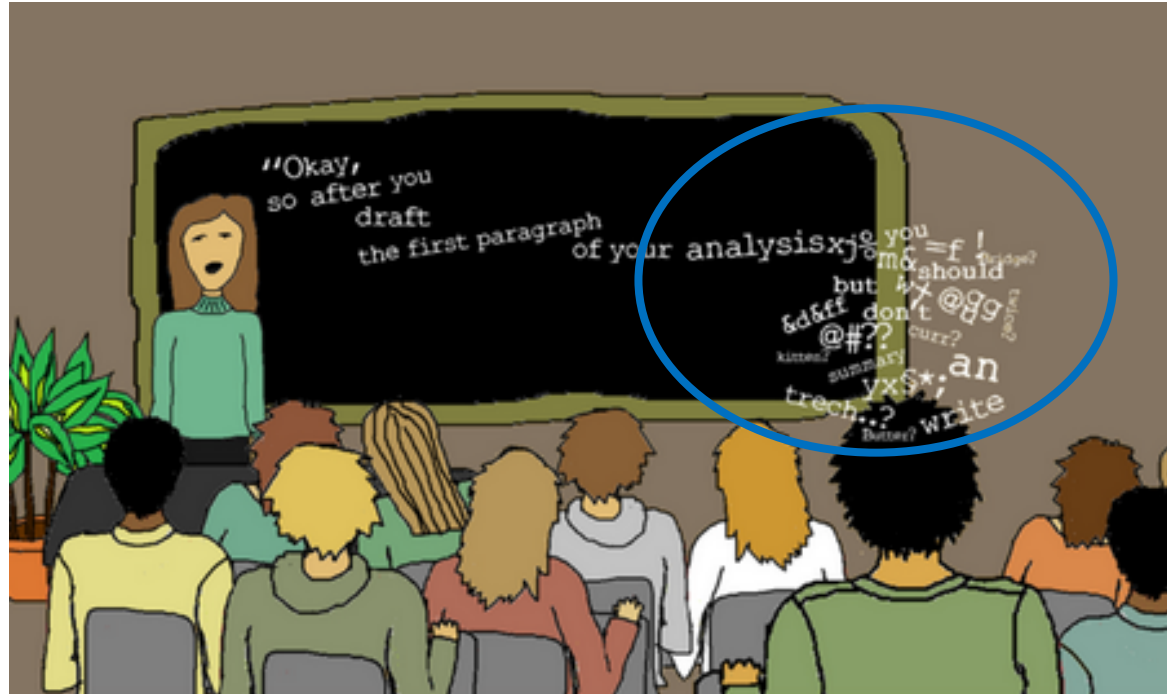
REFLECTION

Looking at the situation that many of the students in this cartoon find themselves, why might Experiential Learning be a great tool in helping English Learners in the classroom?



REFLECTION

REFLECTION: why might Experiential Learning be a great tool in helping English Learners in the classroom? Answer in the Chat, please!



(Gonzalez, 2014)

THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?

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