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Aims of this Course ~

to explore the different
ways of learning and
the concept of e-learning
and
to develop group support
for you to use e-learning



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e-Learning Course Guide

A1.1 Introduction to e-Learning

A1.2 Choices of Media

A1.3 Implementation by Design

A1.4 Assessment Methods



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What is e-Learning?

e-Learning is learning using any form of electronic media Generally, e-learning uses email and the internet

Why is e-learning important?

e-Learning is important because different media suit different learning methods The teacher should know which learning activity is best and choose the appropriate media



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Thinking skills or learning activities - such as analyse, apply, judge, recall, synthesize, and understand - can be put in order of increasing difficulty and then taught in that sequence

The above list is in alphabetical order. Can you put them into order of increasing difficulty?



higher-order

judge:

evaluate according to criteria

thinking skills

synthesize:

after analysis, then re-structuring

the knowledge into new organization

Designing using needs analysis

in universities and colleges

analyse:

investigate and identify special points

and correlations to discover underlying organization

in secondary and primary schools

apply:

select appropriate prior knowledge to

mechanically solve a similar related problem

understand:

use recalled knowledge for translation and interpretation

lower-order thinking skills

recall

of fact or process without understanding

using mechanical memorization



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e-Learning in practice

In recent years, the world-wide-web has remarkably enabled learning at a distance, and enabled open access for those at home, or working and unable to attend daytime classes.

Adult and continuing education has been greatly improved - especially for the professional development of teachers.

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e-Learning in theory

One consequence has been the research and development of cognitive learning theory

and understanding about the essential educational interactions among the student, teacher, other students, texts and media.



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Transactional Distance between the Student and any Learning is described in terms of imposed Structure S and educative Dialogue D



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The Discrete Ways of Learning

-ALONE	Learning-i	N-A-GROUP
Individual	Interpersonal	
No Freedom over content or method of learning	COOPERATIVE	COLLABORATIVE
or pre-negotiated freedom	CONNECTED LEARNING	
	Group with a 'knower'	Group with no 'knower'
i-	INDIVIDUAL No Freedom over content or method of learning or pre-negotiated	INDIVIDUAL INTERPE No Freedom over content or method of learning or pre-negotiated freedom CONNECTED LEARNING Group with a



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The Discrete Ways of Learning

ALONE :	INDEPENDENT	Freedom over content and methods, and at own pace, not public
	Individual	No Freedom, usually paced and public
IN-A-GROUP :	COOPERATIVE	Group with a 'knower' Interactions proceed through content ddelivery and sharing. Used for acquiring old foundational knowledge, at school.
	COLLABORATIVE	Group with no 'knower' Interactions proceed through critique and testing out hypotheses. Used to co-construct new non-foundational knowledge, at graduate college.