



What is 'Learning' ?

In cognitive constructivism theory, learning involves the acquisition of new information and connecting this with pre-existing prior knowledge

Social constructivism theory says that learning occurs best in groups, using feedback from others

Do you agree ? Why or why not ?



There are two ways of looking at Constructivism

1 'cognitive constructivism'

learning occurs in the mind within the individual
when new incoming information is linked to ideas
and related old knowledge pre-existing in your mind

2 'social constructivism'

for learning to occur, we need to experience the meaning
of the new information through social interactions
in order to join it correctly with our pre-existing knowledge



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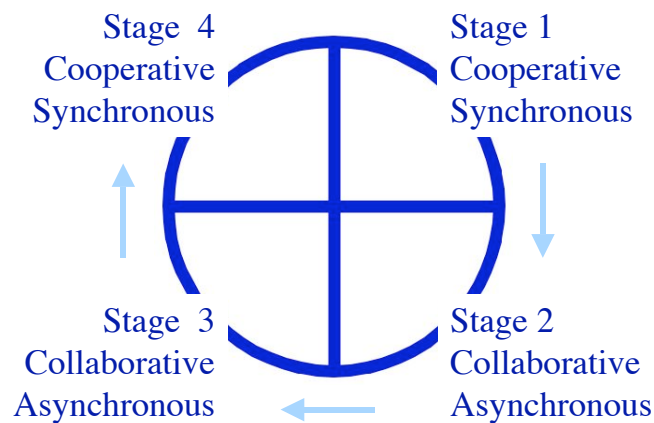
Transactional Distance

is the psychological difference between not knowing something and knowing it - it is the distance between the student and what is to be learnt

Education is designed to bridge this distance



Learning Mode and Choice of Media

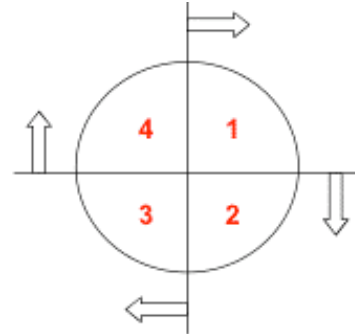




The Motivations to Learn ~

Lifelong learning involves repeating cycles

Young students may be motivated to learn to get a certificate for their first job



What motivations do you think lifelong students have ?



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MOTIVATION		COVERAGE
Vocational	Extrinsic	: seeking qualification for a better job
	Intrinsic	: acquiring skills for own future desires
Academic	Extrinsic	: want to pass exams, get good grades
	Intrinsic	: pursuing own intellectual interests
Personal	Extrinsic	: prove one's capability to others
	Intrinsic	: desire for self improvement
Social	Extrinsic	: extracurricular sports, club activities
	Intrinsic	: integrative, affiliative online