

“Ways Children Learn”

Children & Learning Part I

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Children Learn by:

1. **Observing others (Albert Bandura)**
 - a. Modeling
 - b. Peer Partners
 - c. Centers (Small Group)

 2. **Constructing new ideas/concepts based on previous knowledge and past experiences (Jerome Bruner)**
 - a. Guided Practice
 - i. Inviting learners to infer
 - ii. Inviting learners to make connections
- I am a huge fan of The Socratic Method and in my professional opinion believe that Bruner’s way of learning derives from TSM. TSM is a dialogue between teacher and students via continual probing questions.
3. **Experience (John Dewey)-Learning by Doing**
 - a. Project-Based Learning
 - b. Cooperative Learning

It is imperative that we as teachers ensure that our learners are exposed to these variety ways of learning. Implementing these concepts in the classroom will provide an opportunity for our learners to comprehend content and be successful.

Let us welcome Albert, Jerome, Socrates, and John into our classrooms and lessons.

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