
The Teachings of Fred Rogers

Class ID: 4501

Week 5: Creativity



Class Starter

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Overview of Day

- Class Starter/ Mini-Lecture - Questions / Issues
- Presentation: Jane Werner
- Activities: Museums as places for Kindness, Curiosity, Creativity and Joy
- Wrap-up activity (if time)
- Introduction to Week 6: Connecting



Questions / Issues



**DRIVING
QUESTION:**
Why is it important
to provide spaces
and opportunities
for learners to be
creative?

Your Questions








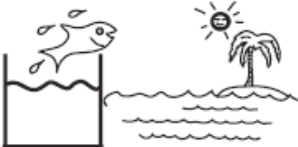

How to help my grandchildren. I'm concerned with their passive play with dolls that talk and books that sing etc. I feel like they are growing up with stifled imaginations. I've worked in preschools in low-income communities and once they get to school, they hate it. Very sad.

The museum's exhibits are so imaginative and interactive - how do they come up with the ideas and plan for the space to make them happen?

Creativity: Learning Science

Torrance Test

In a standardized Torrance Test of Creative Thinking, subjects are given simple shapes (*left column*) and are asked to use them (*top row*) or combine them (*middle row*) in a picture or to complete a partial picture (*bottom row*). Evaluators judge whether the results are more or less creative.

| | Starting Shapes | Completed Drawing | |
|----------|---|---|--|
| | | More Creative | Less Creative |
| Use |  |  Mickey Mouse |  Chain |
| Combine |  |  King |  Face |
| Complete |  |  A fish on vacation |  Pot |

Creativity Crisis

According to Kyung Hee Kim the creativity of even young children has declined since 1990. How can we change this trend?



Time to be Creative



Let's think of something to do while we're waiting
While we're waiting for something new to do.
Let's try to think up a song while we're waiting
That's liberating and will be true to you....

When You Wonder, You're Learning (p. 55)

New Directions for Creativity: Play



Presentation: Museums as Places of Creativity



- “How People Make Things” from *When You Wonder, You’re Learning* (pp 65-67)
- Children’s Museum Executive Director

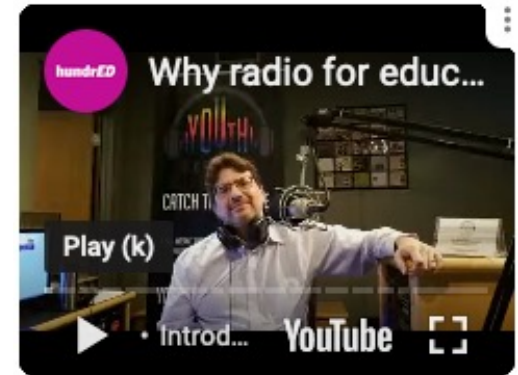
Wrap Up Activity



Based on your reading of *When You Wonder, You're Learning* and/or today's class, what's one creative thing or idea that you've learned today.

Week 6: Connecting

- View post on Padlet – <https://padlet.com/ngusky/Teachings2023>
- Join Expert – Larry Berger for a look at Connecting to the Real World



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Watch the first 3:30 of this YouTube introduction to Youth Express with Larry Berger. Then post your questions and comments for Larry.

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