# Definition

- learning=change of behaviordue to experiences
- learning theory = behavior theory
  - to explain and to predict behavior

Through learning we acquire new...

...knowledge

we know more than before

...skills

we do things better than before

attitudes

we hold a different opinion than before

...patterns of behavior

we behave differently than before

Learning can be categorized according to the...



development of values and attitudes

Different ways of learning...

... of human beings



Different ways of learning...

... of animals

conditioning

reinforcement

trial and error

# Learning theories: 2 major schools of thinking

Behaviorism	focus on human behavior and its conditions;
	learning is based on forming associations between stimuli and responses;
	emphasis on measurable and observable components of human behavior
Cognitivism	focus on brain activities such as cognition and insight;
	learning is a process of discovering and understanding relationships, of organizing and re-organizing information into meaningful patterns;
	emphasis on perception, decision making, processing of information, understanding, problem solving

The three steps of human learning

We have not learnend something until we have...

instilled it in our mind

appreciated it

experienced it

The three components of the memory – a model

#### Type of memory



Content of memory





How to prepare information for storage

- Be conscious of meaning
- Learn sensible material
- Structure learning material
- Make abstracts from meaning
- Link unknown to known information
- Make use of mediators, particularly visuals

How to remember information

- Organise material
- Portion material
- Repeat material
- Learn in intervals (short breaks at the beginning,

longer breaks later)

- Make use of memotechniques
- Review material
- Application is the best revision

# Acquiring and remembering information

- 10% by reading
- 20% by hearing
- 30% by seeing
- 40% by seeing and hearing
- 60% by talking about it
- 80% by exploring and phrasing on your own
- 90% by exploring and overcoming difficulties

on your own

How learning is made enjoyable

- Motivate students
- Create interest in the subject
- Enhance curiosity of students
- Show links to personal life of students
- Create opportunities for achievement
- Give praise and recognition
- Show your own enthusiasm
- Enjoy teaching

Learning objectives should be...

S pecific stated in action verbs

M easurable indicating minimum level of concept response

A ttainable according to trainee potential and field of expertise

R ealistic resource- and reality-based

T ime bound be in coherence with the training timetable

Taxonomy of learning objectives



psychomotor	cognitive	affective
(hand)	(head)	(heart)
perception	knowledge	receiving
set-up	comprehension	responding
guided response	application	valuing
internalized response	analysis	transferring
complex response	synthesis	creating
	evaluation	

### Method

- = a way or manner of doing something;
- the use of an orderly system as opposed to luck

# Teaching method

- the way a teacher uses to impart knowledge to students
- the way of developing skills and capabilities
- the way of facilitating exchange of experiences

# The right choice of method

- 1. Does this method lead us to our learning goal?
- 2. Does this method fit to our subject?
- 3. Does this method address the target group?
- Are all participants teacher as well as students – able to handle the method?
- 5. Is it possible to realize this method?

# **Didactical arrangements**

### 20 - minutes - rule

Teacher-centered	each part not longer than 20 min	e.g. lecture, presentation
Students-centered	each part not shorter than 20 min	e.g. group work, partner work

#### Alternation – rule

<b>Receiving</b> activities	- giving activities
Breathe in	- breathe out

# **Basic structure of lessons**



5 min

25 min

25 min

5 min

Ir	ntroduction	Acquiring	Exercise
	should	should	should
- ( r	orient and - notivate	- impart topic -	apply new knowledge
- ( t	connect topic - o known subjects	<ul> <li>illustrate topic</li> <li>(e.g. with</li> <li>experiment)</li> </ul>	of methods
- 6	attract - attention	- guide to new insight	

End

should

- summarize, repeat, generalize
- give prospect for coming lesson
- give test or homework
- check, assess, evaluate

# The four step method

1. Step:

Preparation of student

2. Step:

Demonstration and explanation

3. Step:

Student activity

4. Step:

Exercising and strengthening

# 1. Step:

Preparation of student

- take away the shyness
- motivate
- show the objectives and tasks
- evaluate the knowledge
- familiarize with the work place
- give advice concerning safety

Demonstration and explanation

- position the student so that s/he is standing in the same direction to the work piece
- demonstrate the whole procedure in original time
- in case of complicated procedures divide them into modules and teach them step by step
- repeat the demonstration and make single steps visible
- say what you are doing, how and why you are doing it in that way
- give the opportunity to ask questions

# 3. Step:

# Student activity

- encourage the student to try it on his/her own
- don't interrupt the student in his/her first attempts
- make comments on serious mistakes
- precision is more important than speed
- let the student say what s/he is doing, how and why

# 4. Step:

Exercising and strengthening

- give enough time to exercise
- acknowledge progress
- control that no mistakes are done during exercising
- change conditions of exercising
- slow adaptation to real working condition

Questions as instruments for...

- Guiding the attention of students
- Arousing the curiosity of students
- Arousing the appreciation of problems
- Initiating thinking
- Saving of results
- Evaluating students
- Disciplining students

Different kinds of questions...

concerning...

- Knowledge
- Process
- Relationship
- Content
- Comprehension
- Thinking

**Open questions** 

**Closed** questions

### Questions to avoid

- Chain questions
- Leading questions
- Echo questions
- Trick questions
- Rhetorical questions

Demanding too much in...

- Factual way
- Linguistic way
- Intellectual way

Demanding too little

Question formulation	Effect
Starting with an interrogative Why What Who When Where HoW	Make a problem evident
Only one question per sentence	Focus on one problem; not demanding too much nor too little
Short, precise questions	Get the problem fast
Give the question to the whole group	All students are included, start to think
Give enough time	Thinking without time pressure; chance to give reasons for the answer
Formulate open questions	Initiate thinking; opinion forming

# Good questions...

- make the class curious
- are answered lightly and fast
- show what is happening in the group (what the others think)
- touch common interest
- include the students' personality
- do not close an issue, they lead further
- show the targets
- make wishes visible
- may lead to a new question

# Bad Questions...

- are leading questions
- demand yes or no
- try to show up the lack of knowledge of others
- serve the self-portrayal of the teacher

Comprehensibility of lectures



# Simplicity

- Speak in simple terms
- Avoid complicated formulation or foreign words
- Give explanations of specific terms
- Use simple constructed sentences

# Shortness/Clearness

- Use short sentences
- Be exact in what you say
- Be concentrated to the objective
- Be precise in your statement
- Give only important and necessary explanations
- Maximize your time

# Structure

### The visible structure

- State the topic
- Give reasons for topic
- Follow outlined structure
- Summarize

# The inner structure

- Logical flow of information
- Link different items
- No jumping from one idea to another
- Emphasize important, not unimportant items
- Red thread must be visible

# Stimulant

- Support statements by stories
- Use pictorial language, give examples
- Visualize statements
- Present data and facts by comparison
- Give own opinion
- Be creative in formulation
- Show own interest
- Create an atmosphere
- Include other opinions
- React to audience

### Articulation

#### Voice

speak loud and clear make pauses, especially when you move speak slowly apply verbal emphasis express enthusiasm

#### Face

face the audience look to the eyes of the audience don't look from the corner of your eye show facial expressions related to what you say

### Articulation

#### Posture & bearing

vertical, frontal, open, not hidden stay with both feet on the ground raised head, but not snooty

#### Arms and hands

resting position pictorial gestures according to the speech slow, quiet movement avoid movement below waist

#### **Movement**

- move goal-oriented, not at random
- calmly handle your tools
- control movements
- change the front sometimes, go beside the audience

### Main preparation steps

- Lay down theme
- Choose material
- Order it
- Structure it
- Limit it to essential part
- Make list of main points and facts
- Show red thread
- Estimate time frame
- Shorten

# Structure of lectures

# Introduction-Mainpart-End

Introduction	Greetings, Theme, Objectives Organizational affaires Motivation
Transition to mainpart	
Mainpart Central idea 1 Central idea 2 Central idea 3	<ul> <li>4 Structural elements:</li> <li>Signposts – important information</li> <li>Bridges – make links</li> <li>Fences – limit topic</li> <li>Markings – give meaning</li> <li>4 Relaxation elements:</li> <li>Questions</li> <li>Examples</li> <li>Comparisons</li> <li>Persons</li> </ul>
Transition to the end	
End	Result/Conclusion Summarize Generalization/Prospects

# Functions of visualization

- Animation
- Information
- Documentation
- Illustration
- Securing of results



- Learning process
- Remembering information
- Retrieving information

Some basic rules....

# ... for writing:

- Form columns
- Avoid whole sentences
- Use key words
- Avoid wide spacing between letters
- Avoid bold letters
- Use capital and small letters
- Same letter size for same importance
- Think of reading habits (top left to down right)
- Use only known abbreviations
- Check writing from the distance
- Show links by same colour and form

Some basic rules....

# ...for colour coding

- Use neutral colour (black) for main parts
- Use red for calling the attention
- Use other colours (green, orange, blue) for emphasis
- Group according to colour (e.g. positive – negative)

# Examples of design elements

arrows









linear

diverging

cyclic

converging

contrary

rectangulars, lines, stripes, clouds







#### pictograms









#### charts



Column chart: comparison of sizes



Pie chart: the whole and its parts



Curve chart: visualizing developments



Organigram/flow chart: visualizing structures and procedures

# **Requirements for teaching**

### Address all senses

- Multi channel information
- Allow for cognitive and affective perception
- Facilitate active visualization

# Link teaching to reality

- Use originals
- Combine originals with media
- Combine theory and practice
- Incorporate professional experience

# **Requirements for teaching**

### Observe teaching principles

- Show only the essentials
- Simplify complex and complicated processes
- Proceed from the simple to the complicated
- Proceed from the known to the unknown
- Proceed from the concrete to the abstract

### Involve students

- Avoid ready made solutions
- Allow students' to work independently with media
- Encourage teamwork





Main goal:

stimulation of high learning results

Control should be...

objective

comparable

evaluable

Control should...

...correspond to learning objectives: cognitive affective psychomotor time quality quantity

### Kinds of Control

- Regular control
- Control questions
- Exercises

Performance

controls

• Tests

• Pieces of work

• Examinations

#### THE USE OF SCAFFOLDS

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# The two sides of the brain

Left

Logic brain	cReativ brain	<b>R</b> ight
Speech	Creativity (new combinations)	
Calculations	Artistic activity	
Intellectual Analysis	Musical ability/Rhythm	
Reading	Emotions	
Writing	Comprehension	
Naming	Perception of abstract patterns	
Ordering	Spatial abilities	
Sequencing	Facial expressions	
Complex motor sequences	Holistic ability	
Critique	Intuition	
Evaluation	Images	
Logic	Colours	

