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Meaning of Creativity



Creativity is derived from the Latin verb '**creo**' meaning — 'to create' or 'to make'.

Creativity means discovering new relationship between ideas. Creativity is wonderful ability that helps a man to solve the most complex problems of life and to make life comfortable. Creativity gives a new fascinating turn to humanity and to a Nation.

Creativity is related to Cognitive Operations. The Cognitive operations include Divergent Cognition, Convergent productions, Recognition of Ideas, Judging and knowing. Creativity is a specific scientific process of thinking that yields solution to the problems.

Definition of Creativity



Spearman (1931)

“Creativity is the power of human mind to create new contents by transforming relations and generating new correlates”.

Drevahl (1956):

“Creativity is the capacity of a person to produce compositions, products or ideas which are essentially new or novel and previously unknown to the producer”.

Guilford (1959):

“Creativity is the capacity to produce ideas that are both new and useful through divergent thinking”.

Elements of Creativity



Fluency: The ability to produce a large number of ideas or solutions to a problem.

Flexibility : The capacity to view things from different perspectives and adapt to new situations.

Originality : The quality of coming up with unique, novel, or unusual ideas.

Elaboration : The skill of adding details to develop or complete ideas further.

Characteristic of Creative Children



- Curiosity
- Playfulness
- Open-mindedness
- Flexibility
- Sensitivity
- Independence
- Risk-taking
- Attention to detail
- Ambition
- Objectivity
- Passion

Strategies to Teach Creative Children



- Teachers can help the learner about new and original ideas.
- Teachers should provide opportunities and space for creativity.
- Teachers should manipulate ideas so that these children can tell their ideas and thinking.
- Motivate to build their questions and find answers with proper assistance of teacher.
- Accept learners' ideas and providing freedom for creativity.

Strategies to Teach Creative Children



- Let them think out of the box.
- Unique and special assignments should be provided to enhance their creativity.
- Let them explore.
- Use reward to encourage them and value their creativity.
- Provide learning environment in which they can learn and create.



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